

**H. B. 2256**

(By Delegate Rodighiero)

[Introduced January 23, 2015; referred to the

Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.]

**FISCAL  
NOTE**

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §16-2M-1, relating to public health; and prohibiting state funding of abortions.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated §16-2M-1, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 2M. STATE SUBSIDIES PROHIBITED TO ENTITIES WHICH PERFORM ABORTIONS.**

**§16-2M-1. State funding of abortion prohibited.**

(a) Moneys received or controlled by or transferred from any state fund or funding source may not be expended for any abortion.

(b) Moneys received or controlled by or transferred from any state fund or funding source may not be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion.

(c) The term “health benefits coverage” means the package of services covered by a managed

1 care provider or organization pursuant to a contract or other arrangement.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit state funding of abortions.

This article is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.