# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

### **2019 REGULAR SESSION**

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## House Bill 2082

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[Introduced January 9, 2019; Referred

to the Committee on Health and Human Resources

then Finance.]

A BILL to amend and reenact §16A-16-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
 to authorizing the earlier issuance of identification cards to approved medical marijuana
 consumers and caregivers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

### ARTICLE 16. EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### §16A-16-1. Effective date.

- (a) Unless excepted in §16A-16-1(b) or §16A-16-1(c) of this code, the provisions of this
   act shall be chapter are effective upon passage.
- 3 (b) The provisions of §16A-12-1 *et seq.* of this code, and any other criminal provisions or
- 4 penalties contained in this act, shall not be chapter are not effective until 90 days from passage
- 5 of Senate Bill 386 during the 2017 regular session.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, no identification cards
  may not be issued to patients until July 1, 2019 2020. The bureau may take sufficient steps
  through rule to implement the preliminary provisions in preparation for implementation of the
  provisions of this act chapter.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to move up one year the date the state can issue physician approve identification cards to medical marijuana patients and their caregivers.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.