

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2023 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2326**

By Delegate C. Pritt

[Introduced January 11, 2023; Referred to the  
Committee on Health and Human Resources then  
Finance]

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

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

**ARTICLE 2Q. STATE SUBSIDIES PROHIBITED TO ENTITLES WHICH PERFORM  
ABORTIONS.**

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

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

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

5 (c) The term "health benefits coverage" means the package of services covered by a  
6 managed care provider or organization pursuant to a contract or other arrangement.

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

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