

2012 Social Work Day at the Legislature

Bills We Are Following:

SB 4: Declaring a **child's right to nurse**

SB 5/HB 4015: Creating the Herb Henderson **Office of Minority Affairs**

SB 10/HB 4043: Increasing the **age of consent** for refusal of mental health treatment

SB 14/HB 2045: Prohibiting discrimination based on **age and sexual orientation**

SB 47/79/HB 4075: Requiring "hands free" **cell phone use** while driving, etc.

SB 160/HB 4013: **The Budget Bill**, making appropriations of public money out of the treasury

SB 161/HB 4240: Expands **mandated reporting of child abuse** to camp directors, photo processors, etc.

SB 171/HB 4062: Creating an in-home **direct care workforce** registry

SB 194/HB 4076: Requiring health insurers to **cover maternity & contraceptive** services for dependents

SB 172: Creating an **equal pay coordinator** within the West Virginia Division of Personnel

SB 182: Creating the **West Virginia Future Fund** to set aside a portion of coal and gas taxes

SB 189/HB 4084: Create a new **personal safety order** process for victims of sexual assault and stalking

SB 193: Creating the Governor's Commission on Improving **Outcomes for At-Risk Youth**

SB 196/HB 2052: Create a **loan forgiveness program for social workers**, nurses, dentists & hygienists

SB 222: Establish criminal sanctions for **interfering** with reporting a crime such as damaging phone lines

SB 396/HB 3211: **Provide School Social Workers with incentives for achieving national certification**

SB 418/HB 3226: **Expand degree/experience requirements for appointment to WV Board of Parole**

SB 446: Related to harassment, intimidation and **bullying** of public schools students

HB 2469: Expand **Children's Health** Insurance Program to cover the children of certain state employees

HB 2558: Create a **child advocate office** to oversee and improve the state's child welfare efforts

HB 4053: Related to **human trafficking**, abduction and kidnapping

HB 4249: Reducing **utility rates for low-income** residential customers

HB 3178: Funding **substance abuse services** through increased sales taxes on beer, wine and liquor

HB 2499: Establishing an **Equal Employment Opportunity** office within the Office of the Governor

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