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SENATE BILL NO. 192

(By Senator WAGNER, ET AL)



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(BY SENATORS WAGNER, BAILEY, BOWMAN, MILLER, WHITE,
WIEDEBUSCH AND YODER)

[Passed March 8, 1995; to take effect July 1, 1995.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article three-a, chapter eighteen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to continuation of the center for professional development.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article three-a, chapter eighteen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3A. CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

§18A-3A-1. Center for professional development continued; intent; advisory council.

- 1 (a) Teaching is a profession that directly correlates to
- 2 the social and economic well-being of a society and its
- 3 citizens. Superior teaching is essential to a well educated
- 4 and productive populace. The intent of this article is to
- 5 recognize the value of professional involvement by
- 6 experienced educators in building and maintaining a
- 7 superior teaching force and to establish avenues for

8 applying such involvement.

9 In furtherance of this intent, the center for professional
10 development is continued and reestablished. The general
11 mission of the center is to study matters relating to the
12 quality of teaching and management in the schools of
13 West Virginia and to promote the implementation of
14 programs and practices to assure the highest quality in
15 such teaching and management. The center shall also
16 perform such duties as are assigned to it by law.

17 The center shall consist of nine persons as members:
18 The secretary of education and the arts, ex officio; the
19 state superintendent of schools, ex officio; one member
20 of the state board of education, elected by the state
21 board; two experienced educators, of whom one shall be
22 a working classroom teacher, appointed by the governor
23 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and
24 four citizens of the state who are knowledgeable in
25 matters relevant to the issues addressed by the center
26 appointed by the governor by and with the advice and
27 consent of the Senate. No two appointees shall be
28 residents within the same region. The state super-
29 intendent of schools shall convene the first meeting of
30 the center to elect a chair, vice chair and secretary.

31 The election and appointment of members shall be
32 made as soon as possible after the effective date of this
33 section. Of the initial appointed members, three shall be
34 appointed for two-year terms and four shall be
35 appointed for four-year terms. All successive appoint-
36 ments shall be for four-year terms.

37 The center for professional development shall meet at
38 least quarterly and the appointed members shall be paid
39 for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred
40 in the performance of their official duties from funds
41 appropriated or otherwise made available for such
42 purposes upon submission of an itemized statement
43 therefor.

44 The center may employ and fix the compensation of an

45 executive director and such other persons as may be
46 necessary to carry out the mission and duties of the
47 center. When practical, personnel employed by state
48 higher education agencies and state, regional and county
49 public education agencies shall be made available to the
50 center to assist in the operation of projects of limited
51 duration.

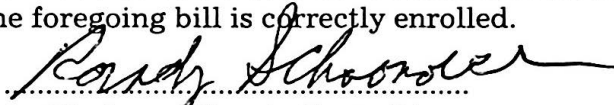
52 The center shall contract with existing agencies or
53 agencies created after the effective date of this section or
54 others to provide training programs in the most efficient
55 manner. Existing programs currently based in agencies
56 of the state shall be continued in the agency of their
57 origin unless the center establishes a compelling need to
58 transfer or cancel the existing program. The center shall
59 recommend to the governor the transfer of funds to the
60 providing agency, if needed, to provide programs
61 approved by the center.

62 (b) To assist the center for professional development in
63 the performance of its duties related to teacher
64 education and professional development, there is
65 continued an advisory council on professional
66 development which shall consist of eleven persons as
67 follows: An employee of the center who shall chair the
68 advisory council; two shall be professors or associate or
69 assistant professors of teacher education, one from a
70 public institution and one from a private institution of
71 higher education in this state offering programs leading
72 to certification to teach in the public schools of this
73 state; two county school superintendents, one of whom
74 shall be from a district with a student enrollment above
75 the statewide average and one of whom shall be from a
76 district with a student enrollment below such average;
77 two school principals, one of whom shall be from a
78 school including elementary grade levels and one of
79 whom shall be from a school including secondary grade
80 levels; and four professional instructional personnel, two
81 of whom shall be from a school including elementary
82 grade levels and two of whom shall be from a school
83 including secondary grade levels. To the extent possible,

84 the principals and instructional personnel shall be
85 appointed from the members of county staff
86 development councils. Except for the employee of the
87 center, the members shall be appointed jointly by the
88 secretary of education and the arts and the state
89 superintendent for two-year terms which overlap so that
90 one member from each of the classes shall be appointed
91 in each successive year, except that two members from
92 the professional instructional personnel class shall be
93 appointed in each successive year. No two members of
94 the council shall be from the same college or university
95 or school district. Members of the council shall be
96 granted release time from their employment for
97 attending meetings of the council.

98 Pursuant to the provisions of article ten, chapter four
99 of this code, the center for professional development and
100 advisory council shall continue to exist until the first day
101 of July, two thousand one.

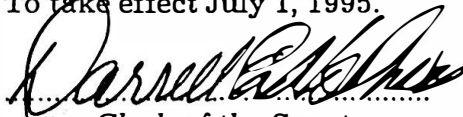
That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.


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Chairman Senate Committee



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Chairman House Committee


Originated in the Senate.

To take effect July 1, 1995.


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Clerk of the Senate



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Clerk of the House of Delegates


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President of the Senate


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Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 17th

day of March 1995.


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Governor

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Date GOVERNMENT 3/15/95

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