

**WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**REGULAR SESSION, 1973**

**ENROLLED**

**SENATE BILL NO. 167**

(By Mr. Harman)

**PASSED April 11, 1973**

**In Effect 90 Days from Passage**



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AN ACT to amend article twenty-six, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifteen-a, relating to education; the West Virginia board of regents; and authorizing the board of regents to provide monetary aid to residents of this state who are enrolled in and attend colleges of optometry outside this state.

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

That article twenty-six, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifteen-a, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 26. WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF REGENTS.**

**§18-26-15a. State aid for students of optometry.**

1 The board of regents is hereby authorized to enter into  
2 a contract with an educational institution or institutions out-  
3 side the state that offer training in optometry, by the terms  
4 of which the board of regents may obligate itself to pay  
5 such institution within the limits of any appropriation made  
6 for the purpose, a stated amount per year for each West  
7 Virginia student the institution will agree to accept for  
8 training in optometry.

9 The board of regents shall each year send to any institution  
10 with which such contract is made a certified list of all  
11 persons, applying to the board for training in optometry,  
12 who are bona fide citizens and residents of this state prior  
13 to the filing of their applications, and who have completed  
14 either within or without the state the course of study required

15 by such institution as a prerequisite to the study of optometry.

16 Any person who receives state aid under this section shall,  
17 upon graduation from an educational institution for study of  
18 optometry, be required to practice optometry for a period of  
19 two years in this state, or in lieu thereof shall, within sixty  
20 days from the date of graduation, reimburse the board  
21 of regents for any tuition advanced by it in his behalf.

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

H. Daniel Darby  
Chairman Senate Committee

Lawrence C. Christman Jr.  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect ninety days from passage.

Howard W. Carson  
Clerk of the Senate

W. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. J. Booth  
President of the Senate

Leona H. McNamee  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 24th  
April, 1973.  
day of \_\_\_\_\_

Arch A. Moore Jr.  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

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