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 thirteen-d, relating to education, West Virginia board of regents, providing for the establishment, maintenance and operation of a state college of osteopathic medicine; providing for the employment of a president, staff and faculty; providing for the appointment of an advisory board; authorizing programs, curricula, and other services; establishing fees; providing for special fees; authorizing expenditures; permitting purchase of real property; providing for capital improvements; providing for contract authority generally; providing specifically for contracts by the board and the West Virginia anatomical board; and providing for use of cadavers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature 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 thirteen-d, to read as follows:
CHAPTER 18. EDUCATION.

ARTICLE 26. WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF REGENTS.

§18-26-13d. Establishment and operation of a state college of osteopathic medicine; authority and duty to purchase property, expend appropriations and conduct programs of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine.

On or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred seventy-five, the board of regents shall establish, and thereafter maintain and operate a state college of osteopathy, to be known as the "West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine" and to be located in Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, West Virginia.

For this purpose, the board is authorized and is hereby directed to acquire all the real property and all facilities and equipment of the existing Greenbrier College of Osteopathic Medicine, located at Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, West Virginia. The cost of acquisition shall not exceed five hundred fifty-eight thousand dollars ($558,000).

The board of regents, upon acquisition, shall forthwith employ a president and such staff and faculty as determined appropriate for the college, appoint an advisory board consistent with section nine of this article and exercise general determination, control, supervision and management of the financial, business and educational policies and affairs of the state college of osteopathic medicine.

The college shall be authorized to offer such curricula, programs, courses and services and confer such degrees as may be approved by the board of regents. The board of regents shall fix tuition and establish and set other fees to be charged students as it deems appropriate, including the establishment of special fees for specific purposes. Special fees shall be paid into special funds and be used only for the purposes for which said fees were collected.

The board of regents shall expend from the appropriations allocated for the West Virginia School of Osteopathic
Medicine such funds as are necessary for the operation and conduct of programs, the acquisition of clear title to the property of the Greenbrier College of Osteopathic Medicine, and for necessary capital improvements. The title to all property purchased for the use of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine shall be vested in the board of regents.

The board of regents is authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine with public and private educational institutions, agencies and boards, with governmental agencies; and with corporations, partnerships, and individuals for the performance of instructional or other services.

The board of regents is hereby specifically authorized to contract with the West Virginia anatomical board and the West Virginia anatomical board is hereby specifically authorized to contract with the board of regents on behalf of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine for the requisition, use, disposition and control of any body as may come under the authority of the anatomical board, provided that such body be used exclusively for educational purposes of West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine.

The board of regents is further authorized to contract with any other person, corporation or entity for the purchase of cadavers for educational purposes at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 18th day of December, 1975

Governor
PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 11/21/75
Time 3:40 p.m.