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REGULAR SESSION, 1979

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HOUSE BILL No. 1200

(By Mr. Blackwell)

Passed March 10, 1979

In Effect Ninety Days From Passage
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AN ACT to amend article five, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section eighteen-a, relating to limiting the number of pupils assigned to any one teacher in a primary grade or a kindergarten session.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article five, 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 eighteen-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.


1 County boards of education shall provide, by the school year one thousand nine hundred eighty-three-eighty-four and continue thereafter, sufficient personnel, equipment and facilities as will ensure that each first, second and third grade classroom or classrooms for two or more grades, including one or more of the first, second and third grades, shall not have more than twenty-five pupils for each teacher of the grade or grades; further, county boards of education shall also provide by the school year one thousand nine hundred eighty-three-eighty-four and thereafter sufficient per-
sonnel, equipment and facilities as will ensure that there will not be more than twenty pupils in each kindergarten session in any given school situation: Provided, That upon application of a county board of education to the state superintendent, and approval thereof by the state superintendent, as to each specific classroom for which the application is made, a county board may maintain the classroom, equipment and teacher for more than twenty-five pupils in primary grades, or for more than twenty pupils in kindergarten, subject to the approval of the state superintendent as may from time to time be granted, in the school year one thousand nine hundred eighty-three-eighty-four. Thereafter, all first, second and third grade classes and any combined classes containing one or more of the same shall have no more than twenty-five pupils assigned to any one teacher; and all kindergarten sessions shall have no more than twenty pupils assigned to any one teacher.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Originated in the House.

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The within is approved this the 28th day of March, 1979.

John D. Boling  
Governor