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Com. Sub. for
HOUSE BILL No. 1050

(By Mr. Stephens and Mr. Tompkins)

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Passed March 24, 1981

In Effect Ninety Days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article two, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend article five of said chapter by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifteen-a, all relating to providing the study of multicultural education to certain prospective and existing school personnel by the state board of education and county boards of education.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article two, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that article five of said chapter be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifteen-a, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
§18-2-6. Training of teachers; accreditation, classification and standardization of schools; standards for degrees and diploma.

1 The education of teachers in the state shall be under the general direction and control of the state board of education, which shall, through the state superintendent of schools, exercise supervisory control over teacher preparation programs in all institutions of higher education, including student teaching in the public schools, in accordance with standards for program approval stated in writing by the
board. Such standards shall include a provision for the study of multicultural education.

As used in this section, multicultural education means the study of the pluralistic nature of American society including its values, institutions, organizations, groups, status positions and social roles.

To give prospective teachers the teaching experience needed to demonstrate competence, as a prerequisite to licensure, the state board of education may enter into an agreement with county boards of education for the use of the public schools. Such agreement shall recognize student teaching as a joint responsibility of the teacher preparation institution and the cooperating public schools and shall include (1) the minimum qualifications for the employment of public school teachers selected as supervising teachers; (2) the remuneration to be paid public school teachers by the state board, in addition to their contractual salaries, for supervising student teachers; and (3) minimum standards to guarantee adequacy of facilities and program of the public school selected for student teaching. The student teacher, under the direction and supervision of the supervising teacher, shall exercise the authority of a substitute teacher.

Institutions of higher education approved for teacher preparation may cooperate with each other and with one or more county boards of education in the organization and operation of centers to provide selected phases of the teacher preparation program such as student teaching or internship programs, instruction in methodology, seminar programs for college students, first year teachers and supervising teachers.

Such institutions of higher education and participating county boards of education may budget and expend funds for the operation of such centers through payments to the appropriate fiscal office of the county designated by mutual agreement of participating county school boards and higher education institutions to serve as the administering agency of the center.

The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require the discontinuation of an existing student teacher training center or school which meets the standards of the state board of education.
The state board of education shall make rules and regulations for the accreditation, classification and standardization of all schools in the state, except institutions of higher education, and shall determine the minimum standards for the granting of diplomas and other certificates of proficiency, except those conferred or granted by institutions of higher education. No institution of less than collegiate or university status may grant any diploma or other certificate of proficiency on any basis of work or merit below the minimum standards prescribed by the state board of education. All institutions of higher education approved for teacher preparation in the school year of nineteen hundred sixty-two—sixty-three shall continue to hold that distinction so long as they measure up to the minimum standards for teacher preparation. Nothing contained herein shall infringe upon the rights granted to any institution by charter given according to law previous to the adoption of this code.

No charter or other instrument containing the right to issue diplomas or other certificates of proficiency shall be granted by the state of West Virginia to any institution or other associations or organizations of less than collegiate or university status within the state until the condition of granting or issuing such diplomas or other certificates of proficiency has first been approved in writing by the state board of education.

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.
§18-5-15a. Study of multicultural education for school personnel.

County boards of education shall annually provide a program, during at least one noninstructional day of the school term, for the study of multicultural education for all school personnel as defined in subsection (a), section one, article one, chapter eighteen-a of this code. The study provided shall be in compliance with regulations to be developed by the state board of education.

As used in this section, multicultural education means the study of the pluralistic nature of American society, including its values, institutions, organizations, groups, status positions and social roles.
The 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 House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the ______ day of March, 1981.

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Governor