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HOUSE BILL No. 1283

(By ~~Mr.~~ Del. Murphy & Del. Rogers)

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H. B. 1283

(By DELEGATE MURPHY and DELEGATE ROGERS)

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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-b, relating to requiring county boards of education to provide for school counselors in public schools; defining school counselor; requiring county boards of education to develop comprehensive school drop-out prevention programs; and requiring or authorizing certain activities of such counselor.

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-b, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-5-18b. School counselors in public schools.

- 1 A school counselor means a professional educator who
- 2 holds a valid school counselor's certificate in accordance with
- 3 article three of chapter eighteen-a of this code.
- 4 Each county board of education, by the school year one
- 5 thousand nine hundred eighty-seven—eighty-eight, shall
- 6 provide counseling services for each pupil enrolled in the

7 public schools of the county.

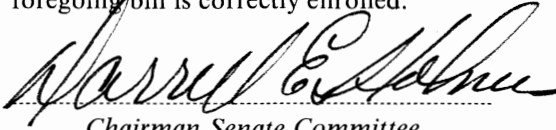
8 The school counselor shall work with individual pupils and
9 groups of pupils in providing developmental, preventive and
10 remedial guidance and counseling programs to meet academic,
11 social, emotional and physical needs; including programs to
12 identify and address the problem of potential school dropouts.
13 The school counselor may also provide consultant services for
14 parents, teachers and administrators and may use outside
15 referral services when appropriate if no additional cost is
16 incurred by the county board.

17 The state board may adopt rules and regulations regarding
18 the activities of the school counselor, and the school counselor
19 is authorized to perform such services as are not inconsistent
20 therewith. Each county board of education shall develop a
21 comprehensive drop-out prevention program utilizing the
22 expertise of school counselors and any other appropriate
23 resources available.

24 School counselors shall be full-time professional personnel,
25 shall spend at least seventy-five percent of work time in a
26 direct counseling relationship with pupils, and shall devote no
27 more than one fourth of the work day to administrative
28 activities: *Provided*, That such activities are counselor related.

29 Nothing herein shall prohibit a county board from exceeding
30 the provisions of this section.

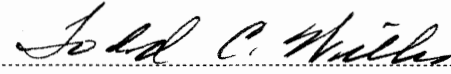
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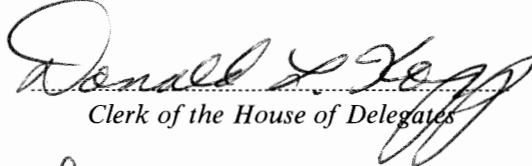

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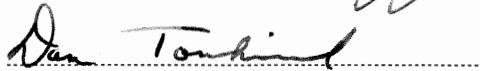

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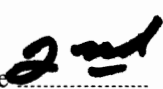
Takes effect ninety days from passage.


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