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HOUSE BILL No. 2472

(By ~~Mr~~ Del Pothel + D Miller )



Passed Feb. 13, 1991

In Effect 90 Days From Passage

**ENROLLED**  
**H. B. 2472**

(By DELEGATES PETHTEL AND D. MILLER)

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[Passed February 13, 1991; in effect ninety days from passage.]

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section one-a, article five, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, to allow school employees to serve on a county board of education in the county where they reside but are not employed.

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

That section one-a, article five, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

**§18-5-1a. Eligibility of members.**

1 No person shall be eligible for membership on any  
2 county board of education who is not a citizen, resident  
3 in such county, or who accepts a position as teacher or  
4 service personnel in the school district in which he or  
5 she is a resident or who is an elected or an appointed  
6 member of any political party executive committee, or  
7 who becomes a candidate for any other office than to  
8 succeed oneself.

9 No member or member-elect of any board of educa-  
10 tion shall be eligible for nomination, election or  
11 appointment to any public office, other than to succeed  
12 oneself, or for election or appointment as a member of  
13 any political party executive committee, unless and until

14 after that membership on the board, or his status as  
15 member-elect to the board, has been terminated at or  
16 before the time of his filing for such nomination for, or  
17 appointment to, such public office or committee.

18 Any person who is elected or appointed to a county  
19 board of education on or after the fifth day of May, one  
20 thousand nine hundred ninety-two, shall possess at least  
21 a high school diploma or a general educational develop-  
22 ment (GED) diploma: *Provided*, That this provision shall  
23 not apply to members or members-elect who have taken  
24 office prior to the fifth day of May, one thousand nine  
25 hundred ninety-two, and who serve continuously  
26 therefrom.

27 No person elected to a county board of education after  
28 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety,  
29 shall assume the duties of board member unless he or  
30 she has first attended and completed a course of  
31 orientation relating to boardsmanship and governance  
32 effectiveness which shall be given between the date of  
33 election and the beginning of the member's term of  
34 office. Members appointed to the board shall attend and  
35 complete the next such course offered following their  
36 appointment. Commencing on the effective date of this  
37 section, members shall annually receive seven clock  
38 hours of training in areas relating to boardsmanship  
39 and governance effectiveness. Such orientation and  
40 training shall be approved by the state board of  
41 education and conducted by the West Virginia school  
42 board association or other organization or organizations  
43 approved by the state board. Failure to attend and  
44 complete such an approved course of orientation and  
45 training relating to boardsmanship and governance  
46 effectiveness without good cause shall constitute neglect  
47 of duty.

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

*Samuel Heck*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Ernest C Moore*

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Samuel E. Jones*

Clerk of the Senate

*Donald G. Lopp*

Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Walter Burdette*

President of the Senate

*Bo Call*

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the *18th* day of *March*, 1991.

*Gaston Caperton*

Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date 2/25/91

Time 2:50 pm