



2019 LEGISLATIVE WRAP-UP

West Virginia School Service Personnel Association

Completed Legislation-Awaiting the Governor's Signature

- HB 2009**-Allows for 20 schools to become Innovation Zones. This would allow for STEM programs and mastery based education curriculum.
- HB 2662**-Termination/revoking certification of any service personnel convicted of a crime that requires them to register as a sex offender.
- SB 238**-Increasing the penalty for passing a stopped school bus. This essentially doubles the penalties.
- SB 632**-This legislation among other things would require county boards of education to install a camera in every special education classroom.
- HB 2541**-The purpose of this bill is to require certain safety measures be taken at public schools. Including giving updated floor plans to first responders and police and room numbers placed on exterior walls. As well as first aid and active shooter training for school personnel and students.
- HB 3139**-creates a PEIA Rainy Day Fund.
- HB 2665**-deposits \$105 Million in the PEIA fund. This will stabilize costs and premiums through plan year 2021.

Failed Legislation-Good

- HB2730**-Increasing salaries of WV Public School Teachers and School Service Personnel.
- HB 2128**-Allowing state employees to take paid leave to attend parent-teacher conferences.
- HB 3128**-Mandatory cook to meal ratio at 110 meals per cook.
- HB 3130**-Bus Operator II after 5 years and Bus Operator III after 10 years.
- HB 2688**-Requiring all buses to have air conditioning.
- HB 2719**-Bus Driver in Residency program to assist school districts with inadequate substitute bus operator pools.
- HB 2433**-Changing the school year to begin no earlier than September 1 and end prior to May 31. This also includes a provision to reduce the 180 day mandatory school year to 170.

Failed Legislation-Bad

- HB 2554**-Open Enrollment across counties.
- HB 2011**-Contract out state road jobs.
- HB 3063**-Tax credit of \$500 per child for home school or private school.
- Originating House Education Bill**-This would have allowed County Boards of Education to enter Executive Session when discussing a work stoppage or strike.
- SB 451 Omnibus Education Bill**
- 5% pay increase, \$2000 bonus for certified math teachers, bonus for not missing work, and a WV tax credit for school supplies
 - 1400 minimum enrollment for calculating state aid formula,
 - \$24 million for student support personnel
 - Charter Schools and Education Savings Account
 - Open Enrollment within county and across counties
 - Loss of Teacher Seniority
 - County administrators will be at will employees
 - Removes salary equity
 - Increase county levy rates
 - Paycheck Protection
 - No pay for school Employees during a work stoppage or strike

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