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for

Senate Bill 280

By Senators Grady, Stuart, Taylor, Roberts, Phillips, Deeds, Tarr, and Azinger

[Passed March 9, 2024; in effect 90 days from passage]

AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-5-41a, relating to allowing a public school classroom teacher to respond to student inquiries or answer student questions about scientific theories of how the universe and/or life came to exist.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-5-41a. Allowing discussion of certain scientific theories.

No public school board, school superintendent, or school principal may prohibit a public school classroom teacher from responding to student inquiries or answering questions from students about scientific theories of how the universe and/or life came to exist.