

H. B. 2063

(By Delegate Ferro)

[Introduced January 12, 2011; referred to the
Committee on Education then Finance.]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-7d, relating to education; and requiring elementary students to have access to a certified library media specialist, art specialist, music specialist and physical education specialist at least twice a week.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-7d, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-2-7d. Certified specialist access.

The West Virginia Board of Education shall, with the advice of the state superintendent, prescribe a program for elementary schools requiring that, not less than twice a week for an equal

1 amount of time, the students have access to each of the following:
2 a certified library media specialist, art specialist, music
3 specialist and physical education specialist. The access must be
4 for a minimum of sixty minutes weekly. Increasing sessions with
5 these specialists may not add to the responsibilities of the
6 regular classroom teachers.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require elementary students to have access to a certified library media specialist, art specialist, music specialist and physical education specialist at least twice a week.

§18-2-7d is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.