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3	(By Delegates Walters, Armstead and R. Smith)
4	[Introduced March 14, 2013; referred to the
5	Committee on Education then the Judiciary.]
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10	A BILL to amend and reenact the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as
11	amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-5-
12	13b, relating to authorizing a county school board to adopt a
13	policy that allows an inspirational message to be delivered by
14	students at a student assembly; providing policy requirements;
15	and providing purpose.
16	Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
17	That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended
18	by adding thereto a new section, designated \$18-5-13b, to read as
19	follows:
20	ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.
21	§18-5-13b. Authorizing a county board of education to adopt a
22	policy permitting students to deliver an
23	<pre>inspirational message at a student assembly;</pre>

Т	providing policy requirements and providing
2	purpose.
3	(a) Any county board of education may adopt a policy allowing
4	an inspirational message to be delivered by students at a student
5	assembly. The policy must provide that students who are responsible
6	for organizing any student-led portion of a student assembly shall:
7	(1) Have sole discretion in determining whether an
8	inspirational message is to be delivered; and
9	(2) Choose the student volunteers who will deliver an
LO	inspirational message. The student volunteers shall be solely
L1	responsible for the preparation and content of the inspirational
L2	message.
L3	(b) County school personnel may not:
L 4	(1) Participate in or otherwise influence, the determination
L 5	of whether an inspirational message is to be delivered or select
L 6	the student volunteers who will deliver the inspirational message;
L 7	<u>or</u>
L8	(2) Monitor or otherwise review the content of a student
L 9	volunteer's inspirational message.
20	(c) The purpose of this section is to provide students with

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize county school boards to adopt policies that allow students to deliver an

21 the opportunity for formal or ceremonious observance of an occasion

22 or event.

inspirational message at a student assembly, to provide policy requirements, and to provide the purpose for the authority.

This section is new; therefore it has been completely underscored.