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Enrolled

Senate Bill 483

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[Passed March 7, 2016; to take effect July 1, 2016]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §18-5A-3a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
 relating to granting a local school improvement council waivers for the purpose of
 increasing compulsory school attendance age in Marshall County and Wyoming County.
 Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §18-5A-3a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and 2 reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5A. LOCAL SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT.

§18-5A-3a. Waivers of statutes granted to public schools pursuant to recommendations submitted by local school improvement councils; limitations.

1 (a) The Legislature hereby grants a waiver from the statute or statutes indicated for the 2 following school or schools pursuant to and for the purposes enumerated in the written statement 3 recommending the waiver, with supporting reasons, approved by the local school improvement 4 council of the respective schools and recommended by the Legislative Oversight Commission on 5 Education Accountability in accordance with the provisions of section three of this article. The 6 grant of a waiver to a statute means that the school or schools granted the waiver may implement 7 the actions as specifically described in their written statement notwithstanding the provisions of 8 this code from which they are specifically waived. These waivers are limited to the purposes as 9 specifically described in the statement upon which the Legislative Oversight Commission on 10 Education Accountability made its recommendation for a waiver to the Legislature and are 11 expressly repealed for any modification or implementation of the described actions which changes 12 those purposes. However, nothing in this section prohibits a local school improvement council 13 school that has been granted a waiver from submitting a request to the Legislative Oversight 14 Commission on Education Accountability for modifications, subject to approval in accordance with 15 section three of this article.

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(b) The following waivers are granted:

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(1) Section two-b, article three, chapter eighteen-a of this code is waived for the schools
of Cabell County for the purpose of implementing a comprehensive new teacher induction
program, which purposes are as more specifically described in the schools written statement
approved by the county board and submitted to the Legislative Oversight Commission on
Education Accountability on February 24, 2011.

(2) Section one-a, article eight, chapter eighteen of this code is waived for the schools of
Marshall County for the purpose of increasing the compulsory school attendance age in Marshall
County from seventeen to eighteen years of age as a part of its countywide dropout prevention
initiative as requested by letter dated January 4, 2016, and recommended by the Legislative
Oversight Commission on Education Accountability on January 18, 2016.

(3) Section one-a, article eight, chapter eighteen of this code is waived for the schools of
Wyoming County for the purpose of increasing the compulsory school attendance age in
Wyoming County from seventeen to eighteen years of age as a part of its countywide dropout
prevention initiative as requested by letter dated February 25, 2016 and recommended by the
Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability on February 25, 2016.

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

Chairman, Senate Committee

Chairman, House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect July 1, 2016.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

Governor