

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2019 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2541**

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[Introduced January 21, 2019; Referred  
to the Committee on Education.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
 2 designated §18-9F-10, relating to requiring certain safety measures be taken at public  
 3 schools.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 9F. SCHOOL ACCESS SAFETY ACT.**

**§18-9F-10. School safety requirements.**

1 In addition to any other requirement contained in this article or the Crisis Response Plan  
 2 required by §18-9F-9 of this code, each county board of education shall implement a school safety  
 3 program before September 1, 2019, that at a minimum, requires:

4 (1) Room numbers to be placed on exterior walls of school buildings, so rooms with  
 5 exterior walls can be identified by law enforcement from the outside;

6 (2) The posting of floor plans of the school at building entrances to aid law enforcement;

7 (3) Every window in a classroom that opens to the outside of the building either, be able  
 8 to be opened by an occupant of the classroom, or has a tool easily available near it that may be  
 9 used by an occupant to easily break the window, all so that the window may be used for an  
 10 emergency exit; and

11 (4) Active shooter training for teachers and students at beginning of each school year.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require certain safety measures be taken at public schools.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.