

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2020 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 4089**

BY DELEGATES PYLES, PORTERFIELD, FAST, LINVILLE,

AND HICKS

[Introduced January 10, 2020; 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 §18-2-7e, relating to requiring cursive writing to be taught in grades 3-5.

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

**ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

**§18-2-7e. Cursive writing to be a required course.**

- 1 (a) The State Board of Education shall require all schools to teach cursive writing in grades  
2 3-5.  
3 (b) This section shall be known as the "Gertrude Martin Act."

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require cursive writing to be taught in grades 3-5.

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