WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2024 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 4439

By Delegate Kimble

[Introduced January 10, 2024; Referred

to the Committee on Health and Human Resources

then Education]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- 2 designated §18B-14-12, relating to prohibiting colleges and universities in West Virginia
- 3 from requiring the COVID-19 vaccine or booster shots associated with the COVID-19
- 4 vaccine as a prerequisite for attending in-person classes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 14. MISCELLANEOUS.

§18B-14-12. COVID-19 vaccines and boosters as prerequisite for attendance prohibited.

- 1 <u>No college or university in West Virginia may require a student to take the COVID-19</u>
- 2 vaccine, or booster shot associated with the COVID-19 vaccine, as a prerequisite for attending in-
- 3 person classes.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit colleges and universities in West Virginia from requiring the COVID-19 vaccine or associated booster shot as a prerequisite for attending in-person class.

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