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By SENATORS TRUMP AND SYPOLT

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-9A-13, relating to adding an amount to the appropriation for serving exceptional students with high-cost/high-acuity special needs that is based on the reduction in net enrollment multiplied by the average net state aid per pupil for the preceding school year; limiting the amount added; and providing for disbursement of amount added.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-9A-13, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 9A. PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT.

§18-9A-13. Allowance for exceptional students with high-cost/high-acuity special needs.

Commencing with the 2018 fiscal year, the amount of the reduction in state aid that is due to the decrease in net enrollment from the preceding school year, calculated by multiplying the reduction in net enrollment by the average net state aid per pupil for the preceding school year, shall be added to the appropriation made to the Department of Education pursuant to section five, article twenty of this chapter: *Provided*, That the amount added to the appropriation pursuant to this section is limited to the amount that the funds appropriated pursuant to section five, article twenty of this chapter and available federal funds were insufficient to reimburse all eligible county boards fully for the costs of serving the high-cost/high-acuity special needs students in the most recent year available. The amount added shall be disbursed to county boards to assist them with serving exceptional students with high-cost/high-acuity special needs in accordance with section five, article twenty of this chapter.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to direct certain school funding to assist county boards of education with serving exceptional students with high-cost/high-acuity special needs.

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