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House Bill 4828

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1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated §18B-10-1d, all relating to granting in-state resident status to economic
3 development participants for the purpose of determining the rate of tuition to be charged
4 for attendance at state institutions of higher education; establishing criteria that must be
5 met to meet the definition of economic development participant; and setting forth time
6 frame for recognition of resident status.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 10. FEES AND OTHER MONEY COLLECTED AT STATE INSTITUTIONS OF
HIGHER EDUCATION.**

§18B-10-1d. Resident tuition rates for economic development participants.

1 (a) The term “resident” or “residency”, or any other term or expression used to designate
2 a West Virginia resident student, when used to determine the rate of tuition to be charged students
3 attending state institutions of higher education, shall be construed to include economic
4 development participants.

5 (b) To meet the definition of “economic development participant” under this section, the
6 following criteria must be met:

7 (1) The person or the person’s parent or legal guardian received economic development
8 incentives to locate to West Virginia, offered pursuant to §5B-2-3b of this code; and

9 (2) The person files with that institution of higher education a letter of intent to establish
10 residency in this state.

11 (c) An economic development participant who qualifies as a resident, as that term is
12 defined in this section, on the first day of the semester or term of the institution of higher education,
13 shall be charged resident tuition rates.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to grant in-state resident status to economic development participants in order to determine the rate of tuition to be charged for attendance at state institutions of higher education. Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.