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Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 2548

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[Passed April 2, 2025; in effect 90 days from passage (July 1, 2025)]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §18-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the State Superintendent's general supervision of schools; clarifying supervisory duties; requiring the State Superintendent to report annually to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability regarding implementation of state board rules in each county school district; and providing consequences for failure to follow state board rules.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia

ARTICLE 3. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

§18-3-3. General supervision of schools.

- (a) The State Superintendent of Schools shall have general supervision of the free schools of the state, and shall be the chief executive officer of the state Board of Education. The State Superintendent of Schools shall be charged with the general supervision of all county superintendents of county boards and of county boards of education within the state, except as provided in §6-9-1, *et seq.* of this code. The State Superintendent of Schools shall oversee all the details of the school system of the state, and of the rules of the state Board of Education, so as to secure the uniform operation of the same throughout the state.
- (b) The State Superintendent shall report annually to the Legislative Oversight

 Commission on Education Accountability regarding the implementation of state board rules in each county school district.
- (1) If a county is found in violation of proper implementation of any rule, the State Superintendent shall provide a plan to ensure full implementation of the rule and the timeline therefore.
- (2) If a county continues to be in violation of state board rules, school aid funding may be withheld from that county.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
Clerk of the House of Delegates
Clerk of the Senate
Originated in the House of Delegates.
In effect 90 days from passage.
Speaker of the House of Delegates
President of the Senate
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Day of, 2025.
Governor