

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2025 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 2602

By Delegate McGeehan

[Introduced February 19, 2025; referred to the

Committee on Education]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,
2 designated §18-1-5, relating to school curricular standards and assessments;
3 discontinuing the use of common core standards and assessments in the state.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS; LIMITATIONS OF CHAPTER; GOALS FOR EDUCATION.

§18-1-5. Public school curricular standards and assessments.

1 (a) For purposes of this section:

2 (1) "Common Core" means the Common Core state standards adopted by the West
3 Virginia State Board of Education on May 12, 2010, and also referred to as the West Virginia Next
4 Generation Standards.

5 (2) "Assessments" means the Smarter Balanced Assessments or any other student
6 assessments intended to measure student achievement in the common core standards.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, effective July 1, 2025, the
8 State Board of Education may not continue to implement the academic content standards
9 developed by the Common Core State Standards Initiative or any assessments currently
10 implemented as part of the Initiative.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to discontinue the use of common core standards and assessments in the state.

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