

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

### **ENROLLED**

#### **Committee Substitute**

**for**

#### **House Bill 4592**

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[Passed March 14, 2026; in effect 90 days from  
passage (June 12, 2026)]



1 AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
2 designated §18B-4-5c, relating to requiring state institutions of higher education to  
3 create safety mapping; providing a format therefor; setting forth requirements for sharing  
4 data; requiring approval by certain entities; setting effective date; and providing that data  
5 does not constitute a public record.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 4. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.**

**§18B-4-5c. Standardized campus safety mapping data.**

1 (a) Each state institution of higher education shall create standardized campus safety  
2 mapping data that at a minimum, requires that mapping data:

3 (1) Be in formats that conform to, integrate with, and are accessible within software  
4 platforms used in local public safety answering points and by the city, county, state, and federal  
5 public safety agencies that could provide emergency services on campus without requiring the  
6 purchase of additional software or payment of fees to access the data;

7 (2) Be in formats capable of being printed, shared electronically, and, if requested, digitally  
8 integrated into interactive mobile platforms in use;

9 (3) Be viewable and printable from open-source document or image viewers;

10 (4) Be oriented to true north and include a fixed grid with consistent "x" and "y" coordinates;

11 (5) Have its accuracy verified by the entity producing the data through an on-site walk-  
12 through of the campus buildings and grounds;

13 (6) Include accurate floor plans overlaid on current, verified aerial imagery of each  
14 campus building;

15 (7) Include site-specific labeling for all campus buildings, such as room names, hallway  
16 designations, exterior doors, stairwell numbers, and the locations of hazards, critical utility  
17 controls, key boxes, automated external defibrillators, and trauma kits and campus grounds,  
18 including parking areas, athletic fields, surrounding roads, and neighboring properties;

19           (8) Include the requirement that future updates or modifications to the campus mapping  
20 data conform to and integrate with software platforms used by the relevant public safety agencies;  
21 and

22           (9) Be created, stored, and maintained exclusively within the United States for the entire  
23 duration of the mapping process and thereafter to ensure security of the data.

24           (b) The campus safety mapping data prepared pursuant to subsection (a) shall be  
25 provided to local first response agencies including police, fire, emergency medical services  
26 (EMS), and any other local entities the institution determines should be consulted in accordance  
27 with this article. The data shall be provided at no cost and made permanently available to such  
28 entities.

29           (c) In preparing campus safety mapping data, state institutions of higher education shall  
30 consult and receive approval from the primary law enforcement agency serving and supporting  
31 the institution. These shall include, but are not limited to, county, city, or municipal police  
32 departments, or Sheriff's Department, prior to procurement to ensure campus mapping data  
33 meets the requirements in this section.

34           (d) Any data obtained and maintained pursuant to the provisions of this section may not  
35 be subject to disclosure pursuant to the provisions of §29B-1-1 *et seq.* of this code.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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*Clerk of the House of Delegates*

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*Clerk of the Senate*

Originated in the House of Delegates.

In effect 90 days from passage.

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*Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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*President of the Senate*

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