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House Bill 5047

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NOTE**

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Committee on Education then Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, by adding a new section, designated §18-5-55,
2 relating to the creation of the Mobile Career and Technical Education Classroom Program.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-5-55. Mobile Career and Technical Education Classroom Program.

1 (a) The Legislature finds that many rural and coalfield counties lack equitable access to
2 career training, arts education, and specialized instructional facilities due to geography,
3 transportation barriers, and limited capital resources.

4 (b) There is hereby created the Mobile Career and Technical Education Classroom
5 Program within the Department of Education.

6 (c) Funds awarded under this section may be used exclusively for:
7 (1) Purchase of buses, handicap buses or vehicles for conversion into mobile classrooms;
8 (2) Conversion, renovation, and equipping of mobile units for career and technical
9 education, workforce training, fine arts instruction, and other specialized educational programs
10 approved by the department;

11 (3) Instructional equipment, technology, and safety modifications necessary to operate
12 mobile classrooms.

13 (d) Funds may not be used for the purchase of standard pupil transportation buses not
14 converted for instructional use.

15 (e) Preference shall be given to counties or municipalities that submit applications jointly
16 with county commissions, career and technical centers, workforce development entities, regional
17 education service agencies, or other public agencies.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create the Mobile Career and Technical Education Classroom Program.

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