

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 5279**

By Delegate Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker)

(By Request of the Executive)

[Introduced; referred  
to the Committee on.]

A BILL supplementing and amending the appropriations of public moneys out of the Treasury from the balance of moneys remaining as an unappropriated surplus balance in the State Fund, Excess Lottery Fund, by adding a new item of appropriation to the State Board of Education, fund 3517, fiscal year 2026, organization 0402 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

WHEREAS, The Governor submitted the Executive Budget Document to the Legislature on January 14, 2026, containing a statement of the State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund, setting forth therein the cash balance as of July 1, 2025, and further included the estimate of revenue for the fiscal year 2026, less net appropriation balances forwarded and regular and surplus appropriations for the fiscal year 2026; and

WHEREAS, It appears from the Governor's Statement of the State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund, there now remains an unappropriated surplus balance in the State Treasury which is available for appropriation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026; therefore

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

That the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, to fund 3517, fiscal year 2026, organization 0402, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

## **TITLE II – APPROPRIATIONS.**

### **Sec. 5. Appropriations from state excess lottery revenue fund.**

*357A – Department of Education*

(W.V. Code Chapters 18 and 18A)

Fund 3517 FY 2026 Org 0402

	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Excess Lottery Funds</b>
1 Hope Scholarship Program – Lottery Surplus.....	30498	\$ 12,664,710

NOTE: The purpose of this supplemental appropriation bill is to add a new item of

appropriation in the aforesaid account for the designated spending unit for expenditure during the fiscal year 2026.