

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.]

1 A BILL supplementing and amending the appropriations of public moneys out of the Treasury from
2 the balance of moneys remaining as an unappropriated surplus balance in the State Fund,
3 Excess Lottery Fund, by adding a new item of appropriation to the State Board of
4 Education, fund 3517, fiscal year 2026, organization 0402 for the fiscal year ending June
5 30, 2026.

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

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

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

4 **TITLE II – APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

6 *357A – Department of Education*

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

8 Fund 3517 FY 2026 Org 0402

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			Funds
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12	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.