

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **Senate Bill 214**

By Senator Hart

[Introduced January 14, 2026; referred

to the Committee on Education; and then to the

Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
2 designated §18-5-13e, relating to the creation of the Community School Funding Formula  
3 Revision Act.

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

**ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

<u>§18-5-13e.</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Act.</u>
1	(a) The West Virginia Department of Education shall review the closures and					
2	consolidations of schools that are under consideration during the current year, and previous four					
3	fiscal years, and propose to the Legislature within 180 days such changes to the School Aid					
4	Formula as would be, or would have been, likely to prevent the closure of no fewer than 80 percent					
5	of those under current or previous consideration, regardless of any decisions rendered to date by					
6	school districts, when such justification for closure was predicated on financial and operational					
7	factors.					
8	(b) This section shall take effect from passage.					

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide for the creation of the Community School Funding Formula Revision Act.

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