

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2026 REGULAR SESSION

Committee Substitute

for

Senate Bill 814

BY SENATORS SMITH (MR. PRESIDENT) AND WOELFEL

(BY REQUEST OF THE EXECUTIVE)

[Reported February 17, 2026, from the Committee on
Finance]

1 A BILL supplementing and amending the appropriations of public moneys out of the Treasury
2 from the balance of moneys remaining as an unappropriated surplus balance in the State
3 Fund, General Revenue, to the State Board of Education, State Department of Education,
4 fund 0313, fiscal year 2025, organization 0402, by adding a new item of appropriation for
5 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

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

7 WHEREAS, It appears from the Governor's Statement of the State Fund, General
8 Revenue, there now remains an unappropriated surplus balance in the Treasury which is
9 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 0313, fiscal
2 year 2026, organization 0402, be supplemented and amended adding a new item of appropriation
3 as follows:

4 **TITLE II – APPROPRIATIONS.**

5 **Section 1. Appropriations from general revenue.**

6 **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

7 *49 - State Board of Education –*

8 *State Department of Education*

9 (W.V. Code Chapter 18 and 18A)

10 Fund 0313 FY 2026 Org 0402

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11			General
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