

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **Senate Bill 841**

BY SENATORS SMITH (MR. PRESIDENT) AND WOELFEL

(BY REQUEST OF THE EXECUTIVE)

[Introduced February 9, 2026; referred  
to 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, Lottery Net Profits, by adding a new item of appropriation to the State Board of  
4 Education, fund 3951, fiscal year 2026, organization 0402, for the fiscal year ending June  
5 30, 2026.

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

6 WHEREAS, It appears from the Governor’s Statement of Lottery Net Profits, there now  
7 remains an unappropriated surplus balance in the State Treasury which is available for  
8 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 3951, 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. 4. Appropriations from lottery net profits.**

6 *343 - State Board of Education*

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

8 Fund 3951 FY 2026 Org 0402

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| 11 1a Hope Scholarship Program – Lottery Surplus..... | 30,498 | 16,977,752 |
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