

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

**House Bill 4774**

By Delegates Pritt and Brooks

[Introduced January 23, 2026; referred to the

Committee on Education]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §18-3-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to  
2 setting the number of associate state superintendent of schools positions to one instead of  
3 the current number of two.

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

**ARTICLE 3. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.**

**§18-3-9. State Department of Education.**

1 For carrying into effect the provisions of this chapter, the state Superintendent of Schools  
2 shall maintain a Department of Education at his or her office at the state Capitol, and he or she  
3 ~~shall have authority to~~ may employ assistants and such other employees as may be necessary:  
4 Provided, That there may be no more than one associate state superintendent of schools  
5 position.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to set the number of associate state superintendent of schools positions to one instead of the current number of two.

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