

1 **H. B. 2482**

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3 (By Delegates Sobonya and Border)

4 [Introduced February 15, 2013; referred to the  
5 Committee on Health and Human Resources then the  
6 Judiciary.]

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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by  
11 adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-2-15, relating  
12 to prohibiting school employees from counseling, referring,  
13 transporting or assisting any student to obtain an abortion;  
14 providing a violation of the section is a misdemeanor; and  
15 providing that nothing in the section may be construed as  
16 approving of abortion.

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

18 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended  
19 by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-2-15, to read as  
20 follows:

21 **ARTICLE 2. SCHOOL PERSONNEL.**

22 **§18A-2-15. Employees prohibited from promoting abortion.**

23 No person employed by, compensated by or providing any

1 services for the state board or any county board may counsel,  
2 refer, transport or assist any student to obtain an abortion as  
3 part of or in relation to their employment. Any person who  
4 violates this provision is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon  
5 conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$200 or confined  
6 in jail for a period of not more than six months. Nothing in this  
7 section may be construed to endorse, allow, permit or approve of  
8 any abortion.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit all employees of the State Board of Education or any county board from counseling, referring, transporting or assisting any student to obtain an abortion. The bill provides a violation of its provisions is a misdemeanor.

This section is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.