

**H. B. 2982**

(By Delegates Canterbury, Miller, Cooper and R. Smith)  
[Introduced March 19, 2013; referred to the  
Committee on Education then Finance.]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by  
adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2A-10, relating  
to prohibiting the use of calculators for teaching purposes in  
grades K through eight.

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

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended  
by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2A-10, to read as  
follows:

**ARTICLE 2A. ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND  
LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES.**

**§18-2A-10. Calculators prohibited.**

The use of calculators by students is prohibited for  
instructional purposes in grades K through eight, including, but  
not limited to, classroom work and homework. Prohibited

1 calculators include, but are not limited to, handheld calculators,  
2 computer calculators and other devices that use a mechanical,  
3 electronic or a software program to perform basic mathematical  
4 calculations: *Provided*, That this prohibition does not apply to  
5 teachers or other educational personnel in furtherance of their  
6 instructional responsibilities.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the student use of calculators for teaching purposes in grades K through eight. The bill permits calculators to be used by educators in furtherance of their instructional responsibilities.

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