# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2016 REGULAR SESSION**

### Introduced

## House Bill 2582



### 2015 Carryover

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[Introduced January 13, 2016; referred to the Committee on Education then Finance.]

H.B. 2582

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,

designated §17C-15-43a, relating to requiring the State Board of Education to cause

school buses to be equipped with safety belts, phased in over a period of five years.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,

2 designated §17C-15-43a, to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 15. EQUIPMENT.

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#### §17C-15-43a. School buses to be equipped with safety belts.

- 1 Beginning July 1, 2015, the State Board of Education shall install seat belts in school
- 2 buses over a five year period, until all school buses are outfitted with seat belts, which seat belts
- 3 shall meet the standards set and approved by the Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require the State Board of Education to cause school buses to be equipped with safety belts, phased in over a period of five years.

§17C-15-43a is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.