

**WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**  
**2019 FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION**

**Introduced**

**House Bill Number**

BY DELEGATES PUSHKIN, ROWE, AND FLEISCHAUER

[Introduced June 17, 2019; Referred

to the Select Committee on Education Reform B]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §18-21-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
 2 to extending the length of time for the special Community-Based Pilot Demonstration  
 3 Project to Improve Outcomes for At-Risk Youth.

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

**ARTICLE 21. SPECIAL COMMUNITY-BASED PILOT DEMONSTRATION PROJECT  
 TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR AT-RISK YOUTH.**

**§18-21-2. Creation of a special Community-Based Pilot Demonstration Project to Improve  
 Outcomes for At-Risk Youth.**

1 Effective July 1, 2012, if funds are available, the Secretary of the West Virginia Department  
 2 of Health and Human Resources shall select a community-based organization to establish a  
 3 special Community-Based Pilot Demonstration Project to Improve Outcomes for At-Risk Youth in  
 4 a specified community ~~for a duration of seven years~~ until July 1, 2026. The project will identify,  
 5 implement and document best practices that can be replicated in other communities. The  
 6 designated community-based organization shall operate the special pilot project under the  
 7 direction of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Resources and shall work in  
 8 collaboration with the State School Superintendent, local county school superintendent,  
 9 Chancellor for Community and Technical College Education, the closest community and technical  
 10 college and four-year college or university, State Workforce Investment Division, Executive  
 11 Director of the West Virginia Vocational Rehabilitation Services, the local juvenile court system,  
 12 the local workforce investment board, the Chancellor for Higher Education, the Director of West  
 13 Virginia Division of Juvenile Services, the local mental or behavioral health organizations and  
 14 other governmental and community-based organizations.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to extend the length of time for the special Community-Based Pilot Demonstration Project to Improve Outcomes for At-Risk Youth.

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