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House Bill 2606

**FISCAL
NOTE**

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[Introduced January 22, 2019; Referred
to the Committee on Education.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §18-2-7d, relating to requiring 30 minutes of unstructured play time daily for
 3 students in kindergarten through grade 5 in public schools in West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-2-7d. Unstructured play periods for students in kindergarten through grade 5.

1 Notwithstanding provisions in §18-2-7a of this code and relevant West Virginia Board of
 2 Education policy, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, public school students in
 3 kindergarten through grade 5 shall be provided 30 minutes each day of unstructured play time
 4 (recess). The 30 minutes may be divided into two 15-minute periods daily and may be considered
 5 in place of requirements for time devoted to physical activity.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require 30 minutes daily of unstructured play time for public school students in kindergarten through grade 5.

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