



*Jim Justice*  
*Governor of West Virginia*

March 27, 2019

**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Mac Warner  
Secretary of State  
Suite 157-K  
State Capitol  
Charleston, WV 25305

Re: Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2363

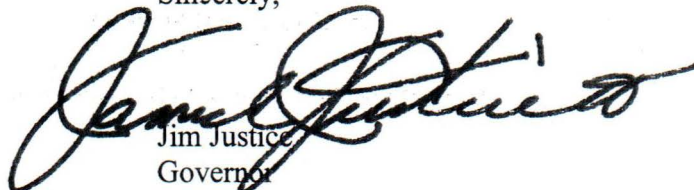
Dear Secretary Warner:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section Fourteen, Article VII of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2363, which is intended to extend the Upper Kanawha Valley Resiliency and Revitalization Program until 2024 and which further requires an assessment by members of a revitalization council to “assess the option of utilizing the authority granted in W.Va. Code §18-5-11 of the Code to allow Kanawha County and Fayette County to jointly create or maintain schools that serve the Upper Kanawha Valley” and to “determine whether students in the Upper Kanawha Valley can receive their Constitutionally protected education in the Upper Kanawha Valley.”

Certain provisions of Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2363 attempt to encroach upon the authority of the West Virginia Board of Education, and the State Superintendent as its chief executive officer, to provide for the general supervision of public schools in West Virginia, which authority must be equitably exercised across the state without disparate treatment between districts.

For these reasons I must disapprove and return Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2363.

Sincerely,



Jim Justice  
Governor

cc: The Hon. Roger Hanshaw  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
The Hon. Mitch Carmichael  
President of the Senate