

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**2020 REGULAR SESSION**

**Engrossed**

**Committee Substitute**

**for**

**Senate Bill 297**

SENATOR CLINE, *original sponsor*

[Originating in the Committee on Education; reported

on January 17, 2020]



1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §18-2-7e, relating to requiring the State Board of Education to develop a  
3 program of instruction in home economics, or specific subjects within home economics,  
4 that may be integrated into the curriculum for students in secondary schools.

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

**ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

**§18-2-7e. Program in home economics.**

1 (a) The Legislature finds and declares that:

2 (1) Persons with an understanding of family and consumer sciences are better prepared  
3 to perform everyday activities such as cooking, sewing, house cleaning, minor home repair,  
4 budgeting, and time management;

5 (2) Possessing these skills would go a long way to help students have more successful  
6 lives as independent human beings; and

7 (3) Providing a family and consumer sciences course in secondary schools in West  
8 Virginia will prepare students to handle their everyday life issues.

9 (b) To provide students a basic familiarity with those issues, the state board shall develop  
10 a program of instruction in family and consumer sciences, or specific subjects within family and  
11 consumer sciences, that may be integrated into the curriculum for students in secondary schools.