WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 5195

By Delegate Burkhammer

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Committee on Education then Finance]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- 2 designated §18A-2-16, relating to the creation of "half day" positions for school service
 3 personnel.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:_

ARTICLE 2. SCHOOL PERSONNEL.

§18A-2-16. Half day positions for school service personnel.

1 (a) Legislative findings. - The Legislature finds that the creation of half day service 2 personnel positions within the education system of this state is vital. Staff shortages could be 3 alleviated and new entrants to the market would fill vacancies where service personnel are 4 needed. Currently, school cook personnel are entitled to half day positions. Extending the same 5 positions for other school service personnel is needed. 6 (b) *Enactment*. – All school service personnel, including but not limited to aids, custodians. 7 mechanics, and administrative assistants, shall be entitled to take on "half day" positions. 8 Additionally, service personnel currently employed in this state who are completing another full-9 time position may be hired for half day positions on a full-time or substitute basis, so long as the 10 work in that position does not interfere with the individual's other full-time duties: Provided, That no 11 additional benefits will be provided to personnel completing a half day position for the purpose of 12 accruing tenure or seniority (c) Policies. - Each county board of education shall adopt policies defining the roles and 13 14 responsibilities for "half day" positions for each service personnel position.

15(d) Requirements. - The requirements otherwise set forth in this article shall be followed.NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create "half day" positions for school service personnel.

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