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NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE

AGENCY: West Virginia Board of Education TITLE NUMBER: 126

RULE TYPE: Procedural; CITE AUTHORITY WV Code 18-9A-2

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES NO

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: _____

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IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF NEW RULE BEING PROPOSED: 57 (Policy 2420)

TITLE OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: ESTABLISHES GUIDELINES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH REDESIGN AND REFOCUS OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION; AND COMPUTATION FOR ADULTS ENROLLED UNDER THE SCHOOL AID FORMULA, ADULTS IN NET ENROLLMENT

IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON July 31, 1990 AT 9:00 a.m.

ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS.

Mr. Adam Sponaugle, Assistant State Superintendent

Bureau of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education

Room B-221, Bldg. #6, Capitol Complex

Charleston, WV 25305

THE ISSUES TO BE HEARD SHALL BE LIMITED TO THIS PROPOSED RULE.

Barbara K. Estep

June 18, 1990

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL

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PROCEDURAL RULE
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Section 1. General

- 1.1. Scope - There have been, and continues to be, significant changes in technology, education training and work force demographics in West Virginia. Adults in West Virginia must react and adapt to these changes through adult education programs. Consequently, the West Virginia Board of Education and county boards of education have a shared responsibility to offer adult education classes at reasonable costs which accommodate the day and night working hours of adults.
- 1.2 Authority - West Virginia Code 18-9A-2
- 1.3 Filing Date -
- 1.4 Effective Date -
- 1.5 Repeal of Former Rule - None

Section 2. Incorporation by Reference

- 2.1 Copy of Rules and regulations attached. Copies may be obtained in the office of the Secretary of State and in the West Virginia Department of Education, Bureau of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education.
- 2.2 Summary of rules and regulations below.

Defines responsibilities of state board of education and county boards of education with regard to adult education. Implements Adult Education section of the Redesign and Refocus of Vocational Education. Provides for the enrollment of adults under the school aid formula.

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- 1.3 Filing Date - January 13, 1989
- 1.4 Effective Date - January 27, 1989
- 1.5 Repeal of Former Rule - None

Section 2. Redesign and Refocus of Vocational Education: Proposed New Rules

- 2.1 All adults who enter technical centers will be assessed. Persons enrolled in technical education, not possessing a high school diploma or a G.E.D., must successfully complete the General Education Development (GED) test before the technical education center may confer the Certificate of Applied Technical Studies.
- 2.2 Adult training programs will be offered in viable occupational areas identified by the State Occupational Information Coordinating Council (SOICC) because business and industry expect highly skilled workers.
- 2.3 Local county personnel will work closely with area business and industry to provide training and retraining programs to employees because business and industry expect a trained work force; 45% of West Virginia's population over 25 has less than a 12th grade education.
- 2.4 County technical education centers will offer classes leading to a Certificate of Applied Technical Studies in short blocks of time as outlined in the Redesign and Refocus of Vocational Education.

- 2.5 Class schedules must be designed to meet student needs, whether day, evening or weekend, to meet the needs of busy adults.
- 2.6 Counties shall include adults in secondary technical programs when daytime schedules permit.
- 2.7 The county technical education center staff will actively recruit adults, especially from targeted groups such as veterans, economically disadvantaged and single parent, as well as other adults.
- 2.8 The county technical education center should participate in financial aid programs, as many adults are unemployed and cannot afford tuition.
- 2.9 The county technical education center will offer assessment, remediation, counseling and placement services as a component of every adult's program.

Section 3. Funding Sources

- 3.1 The West Virginia Board of Education will fund adult programs up to levels of funding available from State and Federal sources.
- 3.2 Schools will be assured of tuition and fees being paid if students receive financial assistance.
- 3.3 Tuition that is received from students for classes should be used to start new classes and maintain currently established classes. "Any funds accruing from such tuitions shall be credited to adult education in the current expense fund of the county board of education and reported each year as of June thirtieth in the manner required for other financial reports of the board."
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- 3.4 As described in the Senate Bill 14, 18-9A-2, counties will receive formula monies for adults enrolled in secondary vocational programs.

All West Virginia adults qualify for training under Senate Bill 14, except under the following circumstances:

- 1) Adults enrolled in other federal/state training programs and/or financial aid programs, such as JTPA, Migratory Education, Pell Grant, etc.
- 2) Adults who obtain financial assistance from any federal or state financial aid program, while enrolled under the school aid formula through Senate Bill 14, immediately become ineligible under the school aid formula and are responsible for full payment of tuition and fees.