

# Supporting the Stabilization of PEIA

**Whereas**, the West Virginia Board of Education is the constitutional body established by the people of the State of West Virginia in Article XII, §2 of the West Virginia Constitution and vested by the people with the general supervision of the public schools of this State.

**Whereas**, the West Virginia Board of Education is responsible pursuant to its general supervisory powers under Article XII, §2 to implement high quality educational standards to ensure the complete executive delivery and maintenance of a thorough and efficient system of free schools.

**Whereas**, the Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA) provides vital health care benefits to public employees in West Virginia, including teachers, school staff and administrators who serve in public schools in West Virginia.

**Whereas**, to ensure the complete executive delivery and maintenance of a thorough and efficient system of free schools, it is necessary to recruit and retain qualified educators and school personnel to serve the children in West Virginia's public schools.

**Whereas**, a stable and sustainable PEIA is essential to recruiting and retaining qualified educators and school personnel to serve the children in West Virginia's public schools.

**Whereas**, the recent financial instability of PEIA has led to increasing costs for public employees resulting in impacts on their take-home pay and placing undue burdens on educators and school personnel who are critical to the functioning of the public education system.

**Whereas**, the State of West Virginia has a responsibility to adequately support the public education system which includes ensuring that educators and school personnel have affordable and reliable healthcare benefits.

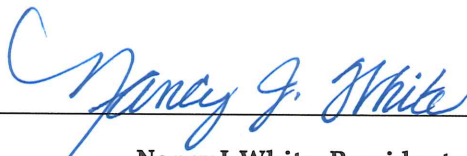
**Whereas**, all fifty-five (55) county boards of education have passed Resolutions supporting the stabilization of PEIA.

**Whereas**, the West Virginia Board of Education believes that it is in the best interest of public education students, public education employees and the communities that they serve that action be taken to stabilize PEIA to prevent further cost increases and reductions in benefits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the West Virginia Board of Education urges the West Virginia Legislature and the Governor to stabilize PEIA to ensure that it is sustainable and affordable for public employees.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Governor, the President of the West Virginia Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to inform them of the West Virginia Board of Education's support for the stabilization of PEIA and support of the county boards of education and other public education constituents who rely on PEIA.

**Adopted this 14th day of May, 2025 by the West Virginia Board of Education.**

  
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