Purchases from RESAs

Due to the increase in county boards of education utilizing the regional education service agencies (RESA) for services, the Office of School Finance is providing guidance on the necessary purchasing/contracting requirements for such services. All of the purchasing requirements of WVBE Policy 8200, *Purchasing Policies and Procedures for Local Education Agencies*, apply to purchasing services from a RESA. Any county purchasing policies would also apply to purchases from a RESA. **RESAs should be treated the same as any other vendor with regards to purchase orders**, agreements, payment of services, etc.

WVBE Policy 3233, *Establishment and Operation of Regional Education Service Agencies*, defines the role of the county board serving as a RESA fiscal agent. The policy does not preclude the RESA and the fiscal agent to contract together for services to be provided. The RESA is still considered a separate entity from the fiscal agent. Therefore, even if the county board contracting with the RESA is also the RESA's fiscal agent, the RESA should still be treated the same as any other vendor.

Important sections of WVBE Policy 8200 are outlined below; however, please note that both county boards of education and RESAs must follow all of Policy 8200 even if a section is not specifically mentioned below:

- Section 4.1 of WVBE Policy 8200 requires that a pre-numbered purchase order must be issued to the vendor prior to the services being performed. Copies of all purchase orders should be retained by both the county board of education and the RESA.
- Depending on the nature and dollar amount of the service, a purchase order issued prior to the service being performed might be considered an acceptable agreement between a county board and a RESA.
- Section 12 of WVBE Policy 8200 defines an agreement as, "a procurement device used for obtaining professional, technical, or other specialized services where the scope of services is known but the price is not the sole factor in determining the award." Such types of agreements must be in writing and a total cost must be stated to include a fixed rate or the number of hours of service being acquired.
- Section 5 of WVBE Policy 8200 allows for open-ended contracts under specified circumstances. This may be common when contracting with a RESA, as a county board may not know exactly how often they may need a particular service during the year. The county and RESA are permitted to establish an open-ended contract that specifies the rate to be charged by the RESA for the service. Approval of such open-ended contracts should follow the guidelines provided in Section 18 of Policy 8200. Since the exact dollar amount of the purchases is not known in advance, use of a reasonable estimate for the total contract value is acceptable.
- Section 18 of WVBE Policy 8200 outlines the minimum approval thresholds for purchases. Purchases less than \$5,000 must have the approval of the supervisor of the individual initiating the request, purchases between \$5,000 and \$24,999 require the prior approval of the purchasing director, purchases between \$25,000 and \$99,999 require the approval of the county superintendent, and purchases of \$100,000 or more require

the prior approval of the governing board. These approval thresholds apply to purchases from a RESA. Even though the county superintendent may be on the RESA board, if the estimated dollar amount for a particular service from a RESA is expected be in excess of \$100,000, the county's governing board must still approve the purchase.

- Section 26.4 of WVBE Policy 8200 prohibits payments being made in advance of the services being rendered. There is no exception for payments made from a county board of education to a RESA.
- If the service purchased from the RESA is being paid with federal funds, county boards of education must make sure that all of the requirements of the United States Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) are followed.

MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY RATIOS FOR THE 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR BASED ON THE RATIO OF MEDICAID ELIGIBLE STUDENTS TO TOTAL STUDENTS RECEIVING SERVICES AS OF MAY 2013

County	# of Students Receiving Personal Care Services	# of Medicaid Eligible Students Receiving Personal Care Services	Personal Care Ratio	# of Students Receiving Direct Services	# of Medicaid Eligible Students Receiving Direct Services	Direct Services Ratio	# of Students Receiving Care Coordination Services	# of Medicaid Eligible Students Receiving Care Coordination Services	Care Coordination Ratio
Barbour	3	3	100.00%	247	149	60.32%	444	255	57.43%
Berkeley	39	27	69.23%	1,837	1,007	54.82%	2816	1484	52.70%
Boone	24	22	91.67%	502	281	55.98%	819	473	57.75%
Braxton	-	-	0.00%	232	159	68.53%	433	278	64.20%
Brooke	7	4	57.14%	614	315	51.30%	779	386	49.55%
Cabell	25	16	64.00%	1,252	605	48.32%	1881	960	51.04%
Calhoun	-	-	0.00%	67	55	82.09%	142	107	75.35%
Clay	5	5	100.00%	146	101	69.18%	269	184	68.40%
Doddridge	3	3	100.00%	115	71	61.74%	206	123	59.71%
Fayette	13	12	92.31%	645	545	84.50%	933	805	86.28%
Gilmer	7	6	85.71%	121	82	67.77%	177	118	66.67%
Grant	13	9	69.23%	186	105	56.45%	320	155	48.44%
Greenbrier	46	40	86.96%	495	470	94.95%	921	876	95.11%
Hampshire	29	23	79.31%	313	213	68.05%	599	356	59.43%
Hancock	10	9	90.00%	635	340	53.54%	894	438	48.99%
Hardy	5	5	100.00%	205	137	66.83%	320	174	54.38%
Harrison Jackson	13 4	13	100.00%	1,123 590	569	50.67%	2003	1006	50.22%
Jefferson	10	2 6	50.00%	884	352	59.66% 36.65%	833 1290	478 474	57.38% 36.74%
Kanawha	18	14	60.00% 77.78%	2,426	324 1,294	53.34%	3855	2183	56.63%
Lewis	3	3	100.00%	2,420	1,294	62.86%	416	273	65.63%
Lincoln	23	20	86.96%	475	302	63.58%	782	497	63.55%
Logan	2	2	100.00%	493	303	61.46%	776	480	61.86%
Marion	12	7	58.33%	777	419	53.93%	1093	596	54.53%
Marshall	21	16	76.19%	487	279	57.29%	691	365	52.82%
Mason	16	16	100.00%	535	359	67.10%	677	439	64.84%
McDowell	-	-	0.00%	275	204	74.18%	667	520	77.96%
Mercer	4	4	100.00%	902	609	67.52%	1373	879	64.02%
Mineral	17	14	82.35%	427	210	49.18%	747	355	47.52%
Mingo	12	9	75.00%	492	296	60.16%	661	398	60.21%
Monongalia	-	-	0.00%	675	383	56.74%	1545	777	50.29%
Monroe	5	5	100.00%	164	92	56.10%	294	177	60.20%
Morgan	12	11	91.67%	224	134	59.82%	329	188	57.14%
Nicholas	12	12	100.00%	347	295	85.01%	740	668	90.27%
Ohio	8	5	62.50%	724	367	50.69%	859	427	49.71%
Pendleton	9	9	100.00%	81	57	70.37%	146	85	58.22%
Pleasants	-	-	0.00%	160	93	58.13%	249	126	50.60%
Pocahontas	2	2	100.00%	79	73	92.41%	168	151	89.88%
Preston	11	5	45.45%	470	243	51.70%	898	462	51.45%
Putnam	-	-	0.00%	849	336	39.58%	1764	696	39.46%
Raleigh	14	12	85.71%	1,311	826	63.01%	1552	953	61.40%
Randolph	5	5	100.00%	3,019	1,840	60.95%	716	413	57.68%
Ritchie	2	2	100.00%	147	97	65.99%	257	152	59.14%
Roane	6	6	100.00%	244	137	56.15%	400	248	62.00%
Summers	-	-	0.00%	125	86	68.80%	225	156	69.33%
Taylor	7	7	100.00%	265	154	58.11%	395	222	56.20%
Tucker	2	2	100.00%	101	67	66.34%	159	85	53.46%
Tyler	7 10	7 10	100.00%	146	94	64.38%	251	159	63.35%
Upshur	16		100.00%	340	218	64.12%	691 1438	432 971	62.52%
Wayne Webster		14	87.50%	806	510	63.28%			67.52%
Wetzel	10 9	9 8	90.00% 88.89%	88 344	81 209	92.05% 60.76%	185 514	160 290	86.49% 56.42%
Wirt	2	2	100.00%	101	209 65	64.36%	147	290 97	65.99%
Wood	6	5	83.33%	1,942	1,095	56.39%	1936	1126	58.16%
Wyoming	5	5 5	63.33% 100.00%	341	1,095	56.39% 57.77%	791	558	70.54%
Institutional Ed. Programs		2	66.67%	2	2	100.00%	258	228	88.37%
WV School Deaf & Blind	. 5	-	0.00%	31	25	80.65%	116	98	84.48%
State:	547	455	83.18%	30,834	18,063	58.58%	44,840	26,220	58.47%

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Status</u>	Effective Date	Summary
SB 21	Creating Health Care Provider Transparency Act	Vetoed by Governor 4/29/13	Vetoed.	Requires all health care providers, included those employed by county boards of education, to wear identification badges. Health care providers listed in Chapter 30 of W.Va. Code include: registered nurses, LPNs, PTs, OTs, school psychologists, school counselors, LPCs, speech-language pathologists, social workers, dieticians, and athletic trainers.
	Including substitute teaching in job duties of certain professional educators employed by county boards	Signed by Governor 4/17/13	Effective July 1, 2013	Requires all central office administrators and supervisors or directors of instruction and other educational activities who hold a teaching or administrative certificate, except the county superintendent, to substitute teach at least three instructional days each year.
<u>SB 336</u>	Relating to interscholastic athletics concussions and head injuries	Signed by Governor 5/01/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Requires the WVSSAC to promulgate rules that address concussions and head injuries in interscholastic athletes.
SB 355	Relating to final wage payment to discharged employees	Signed by Governor 4/29/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Changes the requirement as to when a terminated employee must be paid from "within 72 hours" to "no later than the next regular payday or four business days, whichever comes first."
SB 359	Relating generally to reforming public education	Signed by Governor 4/10/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (June 20, 2013)	Requires the State Board, the Higher Education Policy Commission and the Council for Community and Technical College Education to collaborate in formally adopting uniform college-and career-readiness standards for English/language arts and math; modifies provisions related to state performance measures for school accreditation; establishes clear state-level leadership for professional development; requires the state superintendent to reduce the amount budgeted for personal services in the State Department by 5% per year for fiscal years 2014 and 2015; deletes the statutory requirement that the state superintendent of schools possesses a masters' degree in educational administration and removes the salary limit; increases the number of schools to be included in a special community development pilot program; requires early childhood programs be made available five days a week for the full day by the 2016-17 year; requires kindergarten and early childhood aides to transition to one of three new assistant teacher positions beginning July 1, 2014; revises the school calendar provisions, to among other things, require that school districts actually provide 180 days of instruction; deletes the provision in WVC §18A-4-8 that the minimum 200 day employment term for service personnel must be scheduled within a 43 week period, but includes the provision in WVC §18-5-45 that the beginning and ending dates of the employment term may not exceed 48 weeks; allows for the reassignment of teachers or service personnel to another school, prior to the last day of the second school month, in cases where the personnel are not needed in a grade level or program due to actual pupil-teacher ratio, class size or caseload; modifies the process for filling professional educator positions; requires that planning periods be at least 40 minutes; provides scholarships and loan assistance for teachers in critical need areas; and authorizes the reimbursement of expenses for renewal of nationally recognized certificates.
SB 421	Exempting certain school mascot from prohibition of firearms possession on school grounds	Signed by Governor 4/17/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 04, 2013)	Provides an exemption for the official mascot of Parkersburg South High School to allow him/her to carry a musket on school grounds when acting in an official capacity.
SB 430	Defining "employment term" in Teachers' Defined Contribution Retirement System	Signed by Governor 4/18/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 07, 2013)	Adds the definition of employment term and grants the CPRB the authority to correct errors in retirement benefits.

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Status</u>	Effective Date	Summary
<u>SB 431</u>	Relating to public employer liability for delinquent retirement contributions	Signed by Governor 4/18/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 07, 2013)	Specifies that all amounts due the Consolidated Public Retirement Board (CPRB) by any participating public employer in excess of sixty days is a debt owed the CPRB enforceable by a lien on all assets of the participating public employer.
<u>SB 663</u>	Creating WV Feed to Achieve Act		13, 2013)	Requires the Department of Education and each county board to promptly establish a fund that is restricted solely for the receipt and expenditure of gifts, grants and bequests for the purpose of providing free meals to all students and may establish in lieu thereof a nonprofit foundation for this purpose. The funds shall be used to phase in for all elementary schools as sufficient funds become available. In addition, the Act requires all schools, no later than the 2015 school year, to adopt a delivery system that ensures all students are given an adequate opportunity to eat breakfast.
HB 2357	Relating to sexting by minors	Signed by Governor 5/01/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Prohibits juveniles from manufacturing, possessing and distributing nude or partially nude images of minors; specifies that violations are to be considered an act of juvenile delinquency; authorizes the development of an educational program as part of pre-petition diversion and informal resolution in advance of a filed petition, as part of a required counseling plan, or as part of an improvement period in advance of adjudication; and allows for court discretion as to whether an adjudicated juvenile should be required to register as a sex offender.
HB 2470	Relating to sign support specialist or an educational sign language interpreter in the education of exceptional children	Signed by Governor 4/30/13	Effective July 1, 2013	Separates the position of Braille and Sign Language Specialist (SLS) into two separate positions, renamed the SLS to Sign Support Specialist and allows districts to hire these individuals in lieu of interpreters only if an interpreter cannot be found (Professional Development Plan required). It renames Paraprofessional Certificate: Educational Interpreter (Initial and Permanent) to Educational Sign Interpreter I and II and makes the employer responsible for all costs associated with interpreter testing, professional development and certification costs.
HB 2531	Relating to the practice of speech- language pathology and audiology	Signed by Governor 5/03/13	Effective from Passage - (April 13, 2013)	Requires the WVDE to provide by December 31, 2014 an update of the licensure requirements needed by Speech Language Pathologists, audiologists and assistants to practice in the schools.
HB 2716	Relating to the West Virginia Fairness in Competitive Bidding Act	,	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Lowers the threshold amount from \$500,000 to \$250,000 for triggering a low bidder's duty to submit a list of subcontractors on state spending unit contracts, and adds a definition for "state spending unit."
HB 2727	Relating to the school aid formula			Specifies that the additional 10% allowance for using alternative fuel under Step 4 of the Public School Support Program related to the cost of operations, maintenance and contracted services for student transportation applies only to compressed natural gas; includes the provision that the county boards that were receiving the additional allowance for using bio-diesel during the 2012-13 year shall continue to receive the full 10% additional allowance for the 2013-14 year; specifies that the allowance shall be reduced by 25% a year starting with the 2014-15 year; and reduces the maximum foundation allowance for RESAs by 7.5% to \$3,690,750.
HB 2729	Allowing schools to voluntarily maintain and use epinephrine auto-injectors	Signed by Governor 4/22/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 08, 2013)	Allows schools to voluntarily maintain and use stock epinephrine auto-injectors for students and staff who have not been diagnosed with severe allergic reactions (anaphylactic shock) to allergens.

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Status</u>	Effective Date	Summary
HB 2747	Relating to Open Governmental Proceedings	Signed by Governor 5/02/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	The bill defines the terms "special", "regular", and "emergency" meetings; provides rule making authority; and requires state agencies to file meeting notices electronically with the Secretary of State instead of publication in the State Register, which will allow state agencies more flexibility in scheduling meetings as they will not be required to meet the Secretary of State's internal filing deadlines.
	Relating to compulsory school attendance	Signed by Governor 5/01/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Grants assistant attendance directors the same authority as the attendance directors.
	Relating generally to multidisciplinary team meetings for juveniles committed to the custody of the West Virginia Division of Juvenile Services	Signed by Governor 5/01/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 12, 2013)	Requires that multidisciplinary teams be convened quarterly to discuss children in the custody of the Division of Juvenile Services. It also provides that in cases where a child has been detained for more than sixty (60) days without an active service plan, the director of the facility may call a multidisciplinary team meeting to discuss the child. It also requires that team members be notified that he or she may participate electronically.
HB 2800	Relating to the Teachers' Retirement System	,	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 01, 2013)	Revises certain definitions; specifies that "gross salary" is to be allocated and reported in the fiscal year in which the work is done; adds a separate section for correction of errors; restricts military service credit to those who were honorably discharged from active duty; revises the calculation for purchasing service credit for employment by the federal government, or as a teacher employed by a parochial school located within the state, to 12% of the member's gross salary earned during the first full year of current employment; revises the benefits to be paid to a refund beneficiary upon the death of a contributor prior to retirement; specifies that any person who becomes a new member on or after July 1, 2013 shall have five or more years of actual contributory service in order to qualify for a retirement allowance; and specifies when a disability annuity shall begin.
HB 2861	Relating to continued enrollment of at-risk student in public school	Signed by Governor 5/03/13	Effective July 1, 2013	Authorizes county superintendents to approve the continued enrollment of students who are at-risk and are becoming discouraged and defeated learners in an alternative program designed to prepare them for a successful transition back into public schools. The bill establishes conditions under which continued enrollment may be approved and eliminates a required annual report in cooperation with challenge academy.
HB 2940	Relating to regional meetings among certain officials of county boards of education	Signed by Governor 4/18/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 08, 2013)	Requires the superintendents and board members of county boards belonging to the same RESA to meet together biennially within two months following the organizational meetings in July, beginning in 2013, to identify administrative, coordinating and other county level services and functions that may be shared between or among the county boards.
HB 2979	Relating to broadband deployment projects	Signed by Governor 4/29/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 11, 2013)	Clarifies that the WV Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council's public outreach and education efforts extend beyond unserved areas; defines "broadband demand promotion project"; requires projects for broadband service involving the construction of a network meet the revised definition before being approved; revises the council's guidelines on requests for funding assistance; and specifies that projects to promote demand may be on a regional or statewide basis.

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Status</u>	Effective Date	Summary
HB 3086	Relating to juvenile services and criminal justice institutions	Signed by Governor 4/22/13	Effective July 1, 2013	This bill renames the Industrial Home for Youth as the Salem Correctional Center, transfers control of the Salem Correctional Center from the Division of Juvenile Services to the Division of Corrections and authorizing the Parkersburg Correctional Center and listing it and the Salem Correctional Center among the institutions managed by the Division of Corrections.
	Restoring the authority, flexibility, and capacity of schools and school systems to improve student learning	Signed by Governor 5/03/13	Effective July 1, 2013	Repeals several outdated sections of Code; requires the State Board to annually review and evaluate the list of reports required of principals and teachers; clarifies that the changes to the school calendar provisions are not to take effect until the 2014-15 school year; provides that the county boards that enter into a truancy program agreement with the circuit court that provides for the referral of truant juveniles for supervision by the court's probation officer be reimbursed one-half of the costs that each county board is required to pay; reduces the percent of the growth in local share that is to be allocated to Step 7a of the Public School Support Program for the improvement of instructional programs from 15% to 10% and increases the percent that is to be allocated to Step 7b for improving instructional technology from 15% to 20%, effective for the 2014-15 year; beginning with the 2013-14 year, requires that any funds available to a county board for the employment of personnel above the amount available for the 2012-13 year be used for the employment of technology system specialists (TSS); clarifies that the funds allocated for improving instructional technology are to be distributed to the county boards and changes the methodology for allocating the funds to a base of \$30,000 for all county boards with the remainder distributed on the basis of each county board's average of net enrollment and average daily attendance; clarifies that funds allocated for the improvement of instructional technology must be used in accordance with the county and school strategic improvement plans; and authorizes the State Board to employ hearing examiners for personnel hearings for the Schools for the Deaf and Blind.
	Granting exceptions from certain compulsory attendance statutes to the Monroe and Nicholas County school systems	Signed by Governor 4/22/13	Effective from Passage - (April 10, 2013)	Grants exceptions from certain compulsory attendance statutes to the Monroe and Nicholas county school systems to implement their respective Local Solution Dropout prevention and Recovery Innovation Zone grant plans.
	Providing for a pilot initiative on governance of schools jointly established by adjoining counties	Signed by Governor 5/03/13	Effective Ninety Days from Passage - (July 16, 2013)	Revises the procedures for the joint establishment of schools as follows: requires that participating county boards enter into a formal agreement in which the cost for the acquisition of the property and equipment is to be apportioned; specifies that the annual operating costs of the school shall be the responsibility of the county in which the joint school is located; increases the state aid allowance of the county boards that send students to a jointly established school in another county and provides transportation of the students fifteen one-hundredths multiplied by the number of FTE students that attend the jointly established school from that county; establishes a joint governing partnership board pilot initiative in which is established a joint board for the school comprised of the superintendents and presidents or designees of the respective boards that has school level powers for personnel, curriculum, finance and facilities to help make the school more responsive to the needs of students and parents in both counties; and provides for expansion of the LSIC to allow input from the parents and at-large members from both counties.

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Financial Implications of Select Bills Passed During the 2013-14 Legislative Session

SB355 - Relating to final wage payment to discharged employees

Changes the requirement as to when terminated employees must be paid from "within 72
hours" to "no later than the next regular payment or four business days, whichever comes first."

SB359 – Relating generally to reforming public education

- As part of the calendar changes included in the bill, counties are now required to actually provide 180 separate days of instruction. If a county misses more days than there are available non-instructional days to make up, then the county will need to swap the "snow day" for a non-instructional day after the original end to the employment term. Also, the final Preparation day is no longer a protected day it will now be used for a make-up day as well.
- The bill allows for the reassignment of teachers or service personnel to another school, prior to the last day of the second school month, in cases where the personnel are not needed in a grade level or program due to actual pupil-teacher ratio, class size or caseload.
- The bill now includes a minimum length of time for planning periods of 40 minutes. The legislature did not appropriate any additional funding for this requirement.
- The bill requires that early childhood (Pre-K) programs be made available five days a week for the full day by the 2016-17 school -year. Currently, 24 hours is considered an FTE for Pre-K enrollment purposes. The number of hours to be considered an FTE may increase as a result of this legislation, which could impact future state aid funding.

SB431 – Relating to public employer liability for delinquent retirement contributions

• Specifies that all amounts due to the Consolidated Public Retirement Board (CPRB) by any participating public employer in excess of 60 days is a debt owed the CPRB enforceable by a lien on all assets of the participating public employer.

SB663 - Creating WV Feed to Achieve Act

- Requires both WVDE and all counties to <u>promptly</u> establish a fund that is restricted solely for the
 receipt and expenditure of gifts, grants, and bequests for the purpose of providing free meals to
 all students. Individuals or businesses who contribute may specify schools or nutrition
 programs for which the contribution is to be used.
 - o The Feed to Achieve Act Fund will tentatively be fund 62.
 - The 89YXX project number series will tentatively be used to track donations. Specific project codes will be established by the Office of School Finance in conjunction with the Office of Child Nutrition. Additional guidance will be provided at the OSF summer conference.

- Instead of a fund, counties are permitted to establish a nonprofit foundation if they choose. <u>If a county takes this route, the accounting implications will need to be thoroughly researched for proper financial statement presentation.</u>
- The Feed to Achieve initiative will be phased in for all elementary schools as sufficient funds become available, but nothing prohibits any school from providing free meals to all of its students.
- Requires all schools to adopt a breakfast delivery system that ensures all students are given the
 opportunity to eat breakfast by the 2015 school year (ex: breakfast after first period, grab and
 go breakfast, breakfast in the classroom, etc.)
- No administrative expenses or personnel expenses may be paid from the funds or by the foundation.

HB2727 - Relating to the school aid formula

- Specifies that the 10% allowance for using alternative fuel under Step 4 of the Public School Support Program applies only to compressed natural gas (propane is no longer an option). Because of this change, the bus replacement values were changed between the preliminary and final state aid computations. In the preliminary computations, the bus fleet was valued using propane engines. For the final comps, the bus fleet was valued using regular bio-diesel engines. The legislature didn't appropriate sufficient funds for Step 4 because the actual financial impact of the bus fleet revaluation was not known until after the legislative session. The underappropriation was allocated to the county boards.
- Includes a provision that county boards who received the additional allowance for using biodiesel during the 2012-13 year shall continue to receive the full 10% allowance for the 2013-14 year, but that the allowance is reduced by 25% a year starting with the 2014-15 year. The phase-out percentages would look like the following:

o 2013-14: 10%

0 2014-15: 7.5%

o 2015-16: 5%

o 2016-17: 2.5%

o 2017-18: 0%

• Reduces the maximum foundation allowance for RESAs by 7.5% to \$3,690,750.

HB 2800 – Relating to the Teachers' Retirement System

- Specifies that "gross salary" is to be allocated and reported in the fiscal year in which the work is done.
- Per discussion with Darden Greene, CFO of CPRB, the annual retirement reports are officially due on July 15th each year. Given that this new requirement will cause manual adjustment of the retirement reports for virtually all counties, Darden said that counties unofficially have until

July 30th to submit the reports to CPRB. As long as the report is submitted by July 30th, county boards should be "okay."

HB 3157 – Restoring the authority, flexibility and capacity of schools and school systems to improve student learning

- Delays the school calendar changes from SB359 until the 2014-15 school year.
- Provides that county boards that enter into a truancy agreement with the circuit court that
 provides for the referral of truant juveniles for supervision by the court's probation officer be
 reimbursed one-half of the costs that each county board is required to pay; however, no funds
 have been appropriated for this for the 2013-14 school year.
- Changes the distribution of the increase in local share growth from a 15%/15% split between Step 7a (Improvement of Instructional Programs) and Step 7b (21st Century Technology Systems) to a 10%/20% split effective for the 2014-15 year. It also changes how the Step 7b funds will be allocated to a base of \$30,000 per county with the remainder distributed on the basis of each county board's average of net enrollment and average daily attendance.
- Effective for the 2013-14 school year, requires that any Step 7a funds available for the employment of personnel beyond the amounts available for the 2012-13 year be used for the employment of technology systems specialists (TSS).

	Operation,		Allowance Percents			
	Maintenance, &		95.0%	County	Add'l Allowance	
	Contracted	Student	92.5%	Transportation	Oper & Maint.	
	Services	Population	90.0%	Allowance	For Alt. Fuel Buses	Insurance
County	@ 100%	Density	87.5%	@ Allow Pct.	(Add'l 10%)	@ 100%
Barbour	421,395	Low	92.5%	389,790	42,140	124,198
Berkeley	4,098,619	High	87.5%	3,586,292	409,862	442,881
Boone	1,068,834	Low	92.5%	988,671	106,883	126,151
Braxton	341,808	Sparse	95.0%	324,718	-	80,000
Brooke	693,584	High	87.5%	606,886	69,358	101,162
Cabell	1,433,339	High	87.5%	1,254,172	-	226,501
Calhoun	304,360	Sparse	95.0%	289,142	27,986	11,235
Clay	749,781	Low	92.5%	693,547	69,951	50,134
Doddridge	355,628	Sparse	95.0%	337,847	-	46,494
Fayette	1,443,381	Medium	90.0%	1,299,043	80,879	232,515
Gilmer	225,842	Sparse	95.0%	214,550	22,584	16,334
Grant	281,040	Sparse	95.0%	266,988	-	70,488
Greenbrier	968,464	Low	92.5%	895,829	96,846	136,452
Hampshire	677,159	Low	92.5%	626,372	67,716	126,438
Hancock	1,007,247	High	87.5%	881,341	100,725	77,564
Hardy	377,930	Sparse	95.0%	359,034	37,062	83,801
Harrison	1,205,946	High	87.5%	1,055,203	120,595	377,405
Jackson	796,582	Medium	90.0%	716,924	-	125,817
Jefferson	1,463,690	High	87.5%	1,280,729	145,708	158,359
Kanawha	2,911,225	High	87.5%	2,547,322	291,123	818,000
Lewis	516,477	Low	92.5%	477,741	-	90,182
Lincoln	1,121,478	Low	92.5%	1,037,367	102,096	183,094
Logan	1,364,203	Medium	90.0%	1,227,783	136,420	209,576
Marion	1,501,164	High	87.5%	1,313,519	150,116	171,256
Marshall	920,275	Medium	90.0%	828,248	92,028	113,471
Mason	627,266	Low	92.5%	580,221	-	204,662
McDowell	1,050,074	Low	92.5%	971,318	-	205,327
Mercer	1,622,684	High	87.5%	1,419,849	162,268	149,824
Mineral	1,229,557	Medium	90.0%	1,106,601	-	151,924
Mingo	1,061,508	Medium	90.0%	955,357	106,151	156,999
Monongalia	1,944,171	High	87.5%	1,701,150	193,569	153,188
Monroe	281,659	Sparse	95.0%	267,576	28,166	90,815
Morgan	529,702	Medium	90.0%	476,732	48,251	20,509
Nicholas	1,125,308	Low	92.5%	1,040,910	112,531	125,491
Ohio	909,510	High	87.5%	795,821	90,951	69,089
Pendleton	396,347	Sparse	95.0%	376,530	39,572	49,655
Pleasants	259,462	Low	92.5%	240,002	25,946	39,472
Pocahontas	316,511	Sparse	95.0%	300,685	-	57,198
Preston	1,057,910	Low	92.5%	978,567	105,791	45,206
Putnam	1,544,678	High	87.5%	1,351,593	154,468	326,789
Raleigh	2,728,081	High	87.5%	2,387,071	272,808	169,742
Randolph	746,209	Sparse	95.0%	708,899	69,315	166,922
Ritchie	300,890	Sparse	95.0%	285,846	30,089	56,269
Roane	556,058	Low	92.5%	514,354	55,606	54,860
Summers	338,898	Sparse	95.0%	321,953	29,698	26,236
Taylor	369,146	Medium	90.0%	332,231	34,966	85,718
Tucker	253,441	Sparse	95.0%	240,769	25,344	58,500
Tyler	474,460	Low	92.5%	438,876	-	57,879
Upshur	696,242	Medium	90.0%	626,618	69,624	129,135
Wayne	1,655,485	Medium	90.0%	1,489,937	-	415,083
Webster	370,014	Sparse	95.0%	351,513	37,001	82,830
Wetzel	709,221	Low	92.5%	656,029	-	39,767
Wirt	196,739	Sparse	95.0%	186,902	19,674	41,000
Wood	1,899,402	High	87.5%	1,661,977	189,940	372,001
Wyoming	921,411	Low	92.5%	852,305	92,141	58,697
Total	52,421,495		-	47,117,250	4,163,948	7,860,295
TOTAL	JZ,7Z 1,43J		-	71,111,200	7,100,340	1,000,280

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	Current	Replacement	Pupils	Amount	In Lieu	Operation &	Operation &
	Replace Val Bus Fleet	Value Adjusted to	Paid In Lieu	Paid In Lieu	Allowance @ Avg. of	Maintenance MCVC Share	Maintenance MCVC Share
County	@ 8.33%	Appropriation	2011-12	2011-12	(\$299.71)	100%	(Add'l 10%)
Barbour	215,725	214,739	-	-	-	11,652	1,165
Berkeley	1,377,223	1,370,925	349	142,378	104,599	74,124	7,412
Boone	362,998	361,338	55	12,358	16,484	-	-
Braxton	182,184	181,351	33	20,434	9,890	-	-
Brooke	222,454	221,437	3	3,594	899	-	-
Cabell	785,195	781,604	520	87,101	155,849	-	-
Calhoun	127,533	126,950	13	2,935	3,896	16,999	1,700
Clay	287,916	286,599	34	10,123	10,190	_	-
Doddridge	146,402	145,733	5	9,999	1,499	21,458	2,146
Fayette	486,347	484,123	5	3,907	1,499	-	<u>-</u>
Gilmer	105,060	104,580	14	3,918	4,196	12,306	1,231
Grant	204,780	203,844	1	413	300	8,898	890
Greenbrier	530,562	528,136	15	31,358	4,496	-	-
Hampshire	423,423	421,487	26	13,066	7,792	-	-
Hancock	299,620	298,250	7	9,909	2,098		-
Hardy	226,094	225,060	5	8,697	1,499	19,941	1,994
Harrison	673,269	670,190	-	-	-	45,658	4,566
Jackson	401,140	399,306	29	5,985	8,692	35,138	3,514
Jefferson	703,187	699,971	7	46,358	2,098	32,008	3,201
Kanawha	1,368,915	1,362,655	1,322	230,466	396,217	<u>-</u>	
Lewis	250,547	249,401	4	3,816	1,199	37,764	3,776
Lincoln	394,720	392,915	24	12,278	7,193	-	-
Logan	484,351	482,136	140	25,707	41,959	-	-
Marion	580,646	577,991	7	544	2,098	-	-
Marshall	487,013	484,786	-	-	200	-	-
Mason	400,935	399,102	1	823	300	-	-
McDowell	417,463	415,554	7	2,382	2,098	-	-
Mercer	710,882	707,631	95 43	18,183	28,472	-	-
Mineral	455,730	453,646 476,044	13	21,341	3,896 1,499	-	-
Mingo Monongalia	478,231 625,504	476,044 622,644	5 337	12,630 76,546	101,002	-	-
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Monroe	204,186	203,252	4 2	4,961	1,199 599	10 244	1 024
Morgan	207,053	206,106 415,283	21	8,125		18,344	1,834
Nicholas Ohio	417,191 308 678	307,266	1	40,334 1,700	6,294 300	-	-
	308,678					-	0.040
Pendleton	139,817	139,178	10	6,703	2,997	22,400	2,240
Pleasants	118,316	117,775	- 22	7 /12	6 903	10,768	1,077
Pocahontas Preston	138,382 568,256	137,749 565,657	23 6	7,413 3,394	6,893 1,798	-	-
Putnam	603,662	600,902	537	77,808	160,944	_	_
	911,517	907,349	245	145,321	73,429		
Raleigh Randolph	376,469	374,747	3	1,135	73,429 899	-	-
Ritchie	141,874	141,225	34	8,761	10,190	10,019	1,002
Roane	316,795	315,346	18	4,973	5,395	27,025	2,703
Summers	184,248	183,405	2	1,372	599	27,025	2,700
Taylor	230,482	229,428	4	957	1,199	16,166	1,617
Tucker	101,549	101,085	1	3 31	300	10,100	1,017
Tyler	183,940	183,099	2	624	599	21,133	2,113
Upshur	363,733	362,070	5	1,984	1,499	16,218	1,622
Wayne	673,314	670,235	3	23,659	899		,5
Webster	144,313	143,653	6	5,457	1,798	_	_
Wetzel	217,208	216,215	8	2,211	2,398	58,728	5,873
Wirt	100,028	99,571	-	<u>-,-</u> 11	-	-	-
Wood	665,560	662,517	52	52,085	15,585	_	_
Wyoming	392,567	390,772	13	5,397	3,896	_	-
Total	22,125,187	22,024,013	4,076	1,221,623	1,221,618	516,747	51,676
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	Total	Max. Allowance	Allowance	Avg. Allow.	Transportation		Transportation
	Allowance	(1/3 Above State	In Excess	Per Mile After	Allowance	Funding	Allowance
	Before Limit	Average)	Of Limit	Limit W/O	Without Add'l	For Add'l	With Add'l
County	(\$1.8150)	(\$2.4199)	(\$2.4199)	Add'l Buses	Buses	Buses	Buses
Barbour	772,032	986,821	-	1.8932	772,032	-	772,032
Berkeley	5,921,971	6,727,409	-	2.1302	5,921,971	259,515	6,181,486
Boone	1,599,527	2,173,056	-	1.7812	1,599,527	-	1,599,527
Braxton	595,959	804,767	-	1.7920	595,959	-	595,959
Brooke	999,742	1,200,912	-	2.0145	999,742	-	999,742
Cabell	2,418,126	3,305,472	-	1.7703	2,418,126	203,900	2,622,026
Calhoun	460,909	749,087	-	1.4890	460,909	-	460,909
Clay	1,110,421	1,502,042	-	1.7890	1,110,421	-	1,110,421
Doddridge	533,719	761,209	-	1.6967	533,719	84,125	617,844
Fayette	2,098,059	3,668,336	-	1.3840	2,098,059	-	2,098,059
Gilmer	363,475	529,927	-	1.6598	363,475	-	363,475
Grant	542,510	717,856	-	1.8288	542,510	-	542,510
Greenbrier	1,661,759	2,253,089	-	1.7848	1,661,759	-	1,661,759
Hampshire	1,249,805	1,516,135	-	1.9948	1,249,805	-	1,249,805
Hancock	1,359,978	1,644,639	-	2.0011	1,359,978	-	1,359,978
Hardy	708,450	899,126	-	1.9067	708,450	86,505	794,955
Harrison	2,227,959	2,889,237	-	1.8660	2,227,959	-	2,227,959
Jackson	1,254,253	1,994,542	-	1.5217	1,254,253	-	1,254,253
Jefferson	2,290,066	3,611,865	-	1.5343	2,290,066	259,515	2,549,581
Kanawha	5,415,317	7,434,593	-	1.7626	5,415,317	272,925	5,688,242
Lewis	822,299	1,404,987	_	1.4163	822,299	-	822,299
Lincoln	1,722,665	2,001,095	-	2.0832	1,722,665	101,950	1,824,615
Logan	2,097,874	2,494,189	-	2.0354	2,097,874	86,505	2,184,378
Marion	2,214,980	2,597,056	-	2.0639	2,214,980	173,010	2,387,990
Marshall	1,518,533	2,005,567	-	1.8322	1,518,533	-	1,518,533
Mason	1,184,285	1,702,683	-	1.6831	1,184,285	86,505	1,270,790
McDowell	1,594,297	2,169,898	_	1.7780	1,594,297	-	1,594,297
Mercer	2,468,044	3,408,228	-	1.7524	2,468,044	86,505	2,554,549
Mineral	1,716,067	2,023,097	-	2.0527	1,716,067	-	1,716,067
Mingo	1,696,050	2,871,042	-	1.4295	1,696,050	-	1,696,050
Monongalia	2,771,553	4,199,102	-	1.5972	2,771,553	173,010	2,944,563
Monroe	591,008	957,734	_	1.4933	591,008	-	591,008
Morgan	754,031	1,244,852	-	1.4658	754,031	-	754,031
Nicholas	1,700,509	1,744,799	-	2.3585	1,700,509	-	1,700,509
Ohio	1,263,427	1,954,824	-	1.5640	1,263,427	-	1,263,427
Pendleton	610,172	830,326	_	1.7783	610,172	-	610,172
Pleasants	424,272	592,396	_	1.7331	424,272	-	424,272
Pocahontas	502,525	849,489	_	1.4315	502,525	-	502,525
Preston	1,697,019	2,355,436	-	1.7435	1,697,019	-	1,697,019
Putnam	2,594,696	2,925,025	-	2.1466	2,594,696	-	2,594,696
Raleigh	3,810,399	4,880,902	_	1.8892	3,810,399	173,010	3,983,409
Randolph	1,320,782	1,513,011	_	2.1125	1,320,782	86,505	1,407,287
Ritchie	524,621	816,080	_	1.5556	524,621	-	524,621
Roane	948,264	1,380,357	_	1.6624	948,264	-	948,264
Summers	561,891	731,054	-	1.8599	561,891	-	561,891
Taylor	685,159	962,341	_	1.7229	685,159	_	685,159
Tucker	425,998	534,355	_	1.9292	425,998	_	425,998
Tyler	682,566	867,079	_	1.9049	682,566	-	682,566
Upshur	1,190,568	1,465,666	_	1.9657	1,190,568	-	1,190,568
Wayne	2,576,154	3,196,613	-	1.9502	2,576,154	86,505	2,662,659
Webster	616,795	800,687	_	1.8641	616,795	_	616,795
Wetzel	920,282	1,128,288	_	1.9738	920,282	_	920,282
Wirt	347,147	423,654	_	1.9829	347,147	104,981	452,128
Wood	2,902,020	3,568,218	_	1.9681	2,902,020	,	2,902,020
Wyoming	1,397,811	1,945,433	_	1.7387	1,397,811	96,230	1,494,041
Total	82,438,800	109,915,683	_	1.8150	82,438,800	2,421,201	84,860,000
TOTAL	02,730,000	100,010,000		1.0100	02,700,000	۷,٦٤١,٤٧١	07,000,000

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	Total	Alternative Fu	iel Allocation	MCVC Allocation			
	Mileage	Mileage	Allocation		Mileage	Allocation	
County	2011-12	2011-12	Factor		2011-12	Factor	
Barbour	407,794	407,794	1.0000000	-	11,276	0.0276512	
Berkeley	2,780,036	2,780,036	1.0000000	-	50,277	0.0180850	
Boone	897,994	897,994	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Braxton	332,562	-	-	332,562	-	-	
Brooke	496,265	496,265	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Cabell	1,365,954	-	-	1,365,954	-	-	
Calhoun	309,553	284,635	0.9195033	24,918	17,289	0.0558515	
Clay	620,704	579,084	0.9329471	41,620	-	-	
Doddridge	314,562	-	-	314,562	18,980	0.0603379	
Fayette	1,515,904	849,427	0.5603435	666,477	-	-	
Gilmer	218,987	218,987	1.0000000	-	11,932	0.0544873	
Grant	296,647	-	-	296,647	9,392	0.0316605	
Greenbrier	931,067	931,067	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Hampshire	626,528	626,528	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Hancock	679,631	679,631	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Hardy	371,555	364,372	0.9806677	7,183	19,605	0.0527647	
Harrison	1,193,949	1,193,949	1.0000000	-	45,204	0.0378609	
Jackson	824,225	-	-	824,225	36,357	0.0441105	
Jefferson	1,492,568	1,485,831	0.9954863	6,737	32,640	0.0218684	
Kanawha	3,072,273	3,072,273	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Lewis	580,597	-	-	580,597	42,452	0.0731178	
Lincoln	826,933	752,812	0.9103664	74,121	-	-	
Logan	1,030,699	1,030,699	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Marion	1,073,208	1,073,208	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Marshall	828,781	828,781	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Mason	703,617	-	-	703,617	-	-	
McDowell	896,689	-	-	896,689	-	-	
Mercer	1,408,417	1,408,417	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Mineral	836,025	-	-	836,025	-	-	
Mingo	1,186,430	1,186,430	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Monongalia	1,735,238	1,727,671	0.9956392	7,567	-	-	
Monroe	395,774	395,774	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Morgan	514,423	468,594	0.9109118	45,829	17,815	0.0346310	
Nicholas	721,021	721,021	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Ohio	807,812	807,812	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Pendleton	343,124	342,582	0.9984204	542	19,392	0.0565160	
Pleasants	244,802	244,802	1.0000000	-	10,160	0.0415029	
Pocahontas	351,043	-	-	351,043	-	-	
Preston	973,361	973,361	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Putnam	1,208,738	1,208,738	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Raleigh	2,016,985	2,016,985	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Randolph	625,237	580,781	0.9288974	44,456	-	-	
Ritchie	337,237	337,237	1.0000000	-	11,229	0.0332971	
Roane	570,419	570,419	1.0000000	-	27,723	0.0486011	
Summers	302,101	264,738	0.8763228	37,363	-	-	
Taylor	397,678	376,689	0.9472211	20,989	17,415	0.0437917	
Tucker	220,817	220,817	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Tyler	358,312	-	-	358,312	15,960	0.0445422	
Upshur	605,672	605,672	1.0000000	-	14,108	0.0232931	
Wayne	1,320,969	-	-	1,320,969	-	-	
Webster	330,876	330,876	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Wetzel	466,254	· -	-	466,254	38,609	0.0828068	
Wirt	175,071	175,071	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Wood	1,474,531	1,474,531	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Wyoming	803,931	803,931	1.0000000	-	-	-	
Total	45,421,580	35,796,322	0.7880906	9,625,258	467,815	0.0102994	

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ENCUMBRANCE OF SALARIES

Below is an excerpt from the May 10, 2013 Superintendent's Update:

As has been discussed with the CSBOs on several occasions, the requirement to encumber salaries and employee benefits costs is being extended to <u>ALL</u> county boards of education, RESAs, and MCVCs, beginning with the 2013-14 year. For the past two years, only the county boards that have incurred deficit spending and those county boards that are under the State Board's control have been required to encumber salaries, which has enabled the WVDE to more accurately monitor their financial activities.

From an accounting standpoint, there are several reasons why salary and employee benefit costs should be encumbered, but as the CSBOs know, one of the reasons that this requirement has not been imposed in the past is because of the difficulties encountered in disencumbering remaining balances at year end. The WVEIS program has been upgraded recently to make the process much easier, so this obstacle has now been eliminated. Other advantages for encumbering salary costs are that it makes it much easier for board and advisory council members and federal program directors to monitor budgeted amounts on a monthly basis, and it enables all interested parties to more accurately determine what funds remain unobligated throughout the year without having to depend on the CSBO to run special reports.

The requirement to encumber salaries is being implemented under the authority of WVC§18-9B-5, in which the State Board of School Finance is required to formulate and prescribe a uniform system of school district budgeting for use by all county school districts, and whose duties and responsibilities have been transferred to the State Superintendent of Schools, under the provisions of WVC §18-9A-17.

More detailed information on this requirement will be provided during the WVASBO Spring Conference next week and in future correspondence from the Office of School Finance. Meanwhile, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Joe Panetta at 304-558-2691 or Amy Willard at 304-558-6300.

Steve Peer from Mineral County will be holding a session on Payroll Encumbrance on Thursday afternoon. We recommend that counties attend so that you can learn about the process.