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MANCHIN, CAPITO MEET WITH U.S. SENATE YOUTH PROGRAM DELEGATES FROM WEST VIRGINIA

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) met with Jerry Lacy of Charleston and Ely Osborne of Clay this week durina their visit to Washington as part of the United States Senate Youth Program's (USSYP) 56th annual Washington Week. Lacy and Osborne were recently selected as West Virginia's USSYP student delegates for 2018.

"I was honored to meet with this year's student delegates from West Virginia, Jerry and Ely," Senator Manchin said. "They have both demonstrated strong leadership and involvement in their communities as well as commitment to their studies. There is no doubt that delegates like Jerry and Ely will help shape our nation's future. Now, more than ever, our country needs young leaders like them. I hope these students receive the guidance and resources necessary continue embodying this great country's values and potentially pursue a career in public service. They represented West Virginia with integrity. Their passion for American democracy is inspiring and I hope

their week in Washington are fully funded by the Hearst inspired them."

"DJ and Elv are impressive young men and excellent representatives of West Virginia. They're intelligent and hardworking, and when they see an opportunity to lend a hand or help improve their communities, they take it," Senator Capito said "They both already have an impressive list of accomplishments, and I know they will only to add to that list in the future."

During the 56th annual Washington Week, they will attend meetings and briefings with the President, Senators, members of the U.S. House of Representatives, congressional staff, a Supreme Court Justice, leaders of cabinet agencies, an ambassador to the United States, and senior members of the national media, as well as tour many of the national monuments and museums.

Each student will also receive a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship with encouragement to continue coursework in government, history, and public affairs. The intensive week-long educational experience and scholarship Foundations. Delegates and alternates are selected by state departments of education nationwide and the District of Columbia and Department of Defense Education Activity, after nomination by teachers and principals. The chief state school officer for each jurisdiction confirms the final selection. This year's West Virginia del-

egates and alternates were

designated by Dr. Steven L.

Paine, State Superintendent

of Schools.

Jerry Lacy attends George Washington High School and serves as the student body president. He formed the Virginia Young Republicans club, arranging for 40 students from several high schools to spend a day at the West Virginia Capitol meeting with the secretary of state and attorney general. He also interned for Bill Cole during his campaign for governor. In addition, Jerry started an American Red Cross club at school to reinstate blood drives on campus. He is also the vice president of the Beta Club and plays baseball for both his school and a travel team.

Ely Osborne attends Clay County High School and serves as the senior class president. His outstanding academic record is complemented by his impressive leadership qualities and extracurricular successes. He is the president of the West Virginia delegation for the Technology Association, the state winner of the "Most Outstanding Performer" award for his participation in the We the People competition, captain of the baseball team, president of his church youth group, and a youth sports instructor and referee. Ely is also an advocate for the state's Promise Scholarship and an intern for the Family Policy Council of West Virginia.

Photo Caption: West Virginia student delegates Jerry Lacy of George Washington High School and Ely Osborne of Clay County High School met with Senators Manchin and Capito during the United States Senate Youth Program's 56th Washington Week.

Gov. Justice says state will continue to rely on "the wisdom" of the EPA concerning Minden contamination issue

Says construction work on sewer line from old Arbuckle PSD sewer plant to Oak Hill sewer plant at Minden should proceed again immediately CHARLESTON, WV - In response to a report issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Gov. Jim Justice said the state of West Virginia will continue to rely on guidance from the federal agency as it relates to testing and assessment of PCB contamination in the Favette County community of Minden.

"We have some good news here today in that the EPA has told us there is not an immediate threat to the public in Minden and that they are going to keep investigating to determine if there is any long term threat," said Gov. Justice. "Wisdom requires us to follow EPA's recommendations.

"We also have been told that after testing and sampling that there is no need to further delay work on construction of the sewer line running from the old Arbuckle PSD sewer plant to the Oak Hill sewer plant in Minden," Gov. Justice added. "So work there can proceed again immediately

"We have acted promptly and appropriately to protect the citizens of Minden as we do all the time with every West Virginian.

Gov. Justice said he remains committed to having Minden added to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites if the EPA recommends it

"While the EPA continues its investigation and work I am totally supportive of having it added to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites if the EPA determines that it qualifies for that designation.

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