Senate Bill No. 560

(By Senators Trump and D. Hall)

[Introduced February 23, 2015 referred to the Committee on Finance.]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §51-1-22, relating to establishing a new special revenue fund for the purpose of collecting and remitting moneys to the State Treasury for use of certain advanced technology provided by Supreme Court of Appeals.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §51-1-22, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

§51-1-22. Court Advanced Technology Subscription Fund created.

- 1 (a) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special revenue fund, designated the Court
- 2 Advanced Technology Subscription Fund to be administered by the West Virginia Supreme Court
- 3 of Appeals.
- 4 (b) The fund shall consist of moneys received from subscribers utilizing the court's advanced
- 5 technology systems including, but not limited to, the E-filing system and the Unified Judicial
- 6 Application information system.

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1 (c) All moneys deposited into the State Treasury and credited to the Court Advanced
2 Technology Subscription Fund shall be used to pay the costs associated with maintaining and
3 administering the court's advanced technology systems.

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(d) All moneys collected by the administrator of the Supreme Court of Appeals for the use of the court's advanced technology shall be deposited into a special account in the State Treasury to be known as the Court Advanced Technology Subscription Fund. Expenditures from the fund shall be for the purpose set forth in subsection (c) of this section and are not authorized from collections but are to be made only in accordance with appropriation by the Legislature and in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter twelve of this code and upon fulfillment of the provisions of article two, chapter eleven-b of this code: *Provided*, That for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, expenditures are authorized from collections rather than pursuant to appropriation by the Legislature.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to establish a new special revenue fund to collect and remit moneys to the Court Advanced Technology Subscription Fund in the State Treasury for the use of certain advanced technology provided by the Judiciary.

This is a new section; therefore, no strike-throughs or underscoring are shown.

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On page two, section twenty-two, line six, after the word "Fund." by inserting the following: Any balance, including accrued interest and other returns, remaining in the fund at the end of each fiscal year shall revert to the General Revenue Fund.