FOREWORD


Regular Session, 1970

The second regular session of the 59th Legislature convened on January 14, 1970, and expired for general purposes at midnight, February 12. However, by proclamation of the Governor, the session was extended for the purpose of completing work on the Budget Bill, and final adjournment came on Saturday, February 14.

Prior to the session the Governor by proclamation stated 186 items of business for consideration by the session. In addition, 41 resolutions were adopted by the Legislature stating additional business for consideration.

A total of 472 bills were introduced during the session—260 House Bills and 212 Senate Bills. The Legislature passed 95 bills—70 House Bills and 25 Senate Bills. Of the 95 enactments, the Governor approved 84 and vetoed 11. One of the bills vetoed by the Governor (H. B. 598, increasing the personal income tax), was again passed by the Legislature notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and became law.

Others bills vetoed were H. B. 588 (Value Added Income Tax), H. B. 589 (Persons subject to value added income tax not subject to business and occupation tax), H. B. 590 (Permitting municipalities to impose a business and occupation tax in instances where value added tax is inapplicable), H. B. 591 (Persons subject to the value added tax exempt from annual tax on certain carriers), H. B. 592 (Empowering municipalities to impose a value added tax), H. B. 593 (Increasing corporate net income tax and requiring payment of value added tax in lieu thereof when the tax under the latter is greater), H. B. 594 (Meaning of terms under Corporate Net Income Tax Act), H. B. 622 (Water Use Act), S. B. 151 (Submitting an amendment to the State Constitution to the voters, known as the “Constitutional Improvement Amendment”), and S. B. 208 (Assigning certain space in the capitol building to
the Legislature). H. B. No. 622 and S. B. Nos. 151 and 208 were vetoed subsequent to the adjournment of the session.

There were 162 concurrent resolutions introduced in the two Houses during the session—107 House Concurrent and 55 Senate Concurrent, of which 44 House and 14 Senate were adopted. Nine House Joint and five Senate Joint Resolutions were introduced, all proposing amendments to the State Constitution. Only three were adopted—H.J.R. Nos. 4, 6 and 8. The House had 14 House Resolutions and the Senate had 14 Senate Resolutions, of which 12 House and all Senate were adopted.

The Senate failed to pass 32 House Bills, passed by the House, and 11 Senate bills passed by that body, failed of passage by the House. One House Bill (H. E. 626), relating to assistance to the voters at the polls, died in conference.

First Extraordinary Session, 1969

This session was convened by the Governor on July 21, 1969 and adjourned sine die July 25, 1969. The proclamation of the Governor included 20 separate items of business for consideration by the Legislature. The Legislature by acts and resolutions put into effect 11 of these items.

During the session 20 identical bills were introduced in each House of the Legislature. Seven House Bills and three Senate Bills were passed. All the enactments were approved by the Governor.

There were three House Joint, Six House Concurrent and 11 plain House Resolutions offered during the session, of which four Concurrent and all the House Resolutions were adopted. The Senate had three Joint, one Concurrent and six plain Senate Resolutions, and the Concurrent Resolution and all the Senate Resolutions were adopted.

First Extraordinary Session, 1970

This session was convened by the Governor on June 16, 1970 and adjourned sine die on June 19, 1970. The proclamation of the Governor included twenty-three items of business for consideration by the Legislature.

During the session there was a total of 60 bills introduced in the two Houses—33 House Bills and 27 Senate Bills. Eight (Continued on page xix)
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House Bills and two Senate Bills were passed. The Governor approved all of the bills except H. B. No. 1, increasing personal income tax rates, which he permitted to become a law without his approval.

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C. A. Blankenship, Clerk
House of Delegates
AN ACT to amend article one-a, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, relating to the purchase by the adjutant general of public liability insurance, the defense of governmental immunity and the pleading of such defense; and specifying that a jury shall not be advised directly or indirectly of the existence of any such insurance or of the amount thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article one-a, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1A. ADJUTANT GENERAL.

§15-1A-3a. Purchase of automobile liability insurance.

1 The adjutant general shall purchase, out of any funds
2 appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose, an ade-
quate public liability insurance covering all members of the organized militia while operating any land motor vehicle possessed or maintained by the organized militia:

Provided, That no policy or contract of public liability insurance providing coverage for public liability shall be purchased as provided herein, unless it shall contain a provision or endorsement whereby the company issuing such policy waives, or agrees not to assert as a defense to any claim covered by the terms of such policy, the defense of governmental immunity. In any action against the adjutant general, his officers, agents or employees, in which there is in effect liability insurance coverage in an amount equal to or greater than the amount sued for, the attorney for such adjutant general, the attorney for such insurance carrier, or any other attorney who may appear on behalf of the adjutant general, his agents, officers or employees shall not set up the defense of governmental immunity in any such action. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, under no circumstances whatever shall the jury in any such action be advised directly or indirectly of the existence of any such insurance or of the amount thereof.

CHAPTER 2

(House Bill No. 514—By Mr. Edgar and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed January 27, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article one-a, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to adjutant general.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four, article one-a, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
ARTICLE 1A. ADJUTANT GENERAL.

§15-1A-4. Assistant adjutants general.

The governor shall appoint an assistant adjutant general for air and an assistant adjutant general for army, each with the rank of brigadier general, or such other rank as shall be recognized by federal authority, who shall be the deputy commander of the air national guard and the deputy commander of the army national guard, respectively. The governor may also appoint an assistant adjutant general with the rank of colonel or such other rank as shall be recognized by the federal authority, who shall be the executive officer and administrative assistant to assist the adjutant general in the administration of the adjutant general’s department (or department of military affairs). The assistant adjutant general serving as the executive officer and the administrative assistant may also be the deputy commander of the army or air national guard. The assistant adjutants general shall be upon appointment, federally recognized officers of the air national guard and the army national guard, respectively.

CHAPTER 3

(House Bill No. 512—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed January 27, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section fifteen, article three, chapter sixty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the amount of stock allowed and contract for manufacture of state brand.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fifteen, article three, chapter sixty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
ARTICLE 3. SALES BY COMMISSIONER.

§60-3-15. Amount of stock allowed; contract for manufacture of state brand.

1 In order to avoid the accumulation of excessive stocks in warehouses and stores, the commission shall so plan its purchases of alcoholic liquors for sale in state stores and agencies that stock on hand at any time does not exceed the estimated requirements for sixty days' sales, that none of such stock be on a consignment basis and that the amount of operating fund and the value of inventory stock shall not exceed eight million dollars, except during the last quarter of the calendar year, during which time it shall not exceed ten million dollars.

2 The commission may, with the consent of the governor, contract for the manufacture of alcoholic liquors for sale in state stores and agencies. Such liquors shall bear a special designation as "state brand."

3 Listed brands and sizes of spirituous liquors shall not be reordered in quantities greater than at the rate of comparative gross sales as determined by the last weekly report published prior to each reorder: Provided, however, That listed brands on allocation by the respective suppliers may be reordered upon the basis of anticipated needs to be determined by projecting the adjusted sales records to the period of allocation as fixed by the respective suppliers.

4 The initial order of any new or unlisted brand of spirituous liquor, excepting wine, shall not exceed five hundred cases. The initial order of new or unlisted wine brands shall not exceed fifteen hundred cases.

CHAPTER 4

(House Bill No. 537—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarasky, and Mr. Buck)

[Passed January 30, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact article nineteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, relating to the uniform anatomical gift act, definitions of terms, persons who may execute an anatomical gift, persons who may become donees, purposes for which anatomical gifts may be made, manner of executing anatomical gifts, delivery of document of gift, amendment or revocation of gift, rights and duties at death, uniformity of interpretation, short title of article.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article nineteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 19. UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT.

§16-19-1. Definitions.
§16-19-3. Persons who may become donees; purposes for which anatomical gifts may be made.
§16-19-6. Amendment or revocation of the gift.

§16-19-1. Definitions.
1 (a) “Bank or storage facility” means a facility licensed, accredited, or approved under the laws of any state for storage or distribution of human bodies or parts thereof.
2 (b) “Decedent” means a deceased individual and includes a stillborn infant or fetus.
3 (c) “Donor” means an individual who makes a gift of all or part of his body.
4 (d) “Hospital” means a hospital licensed, accredited, or approved under the laws of any state; includes a hospital operated by the United States government, a state, or a subdivision thereof, although not required to be licensed under state laws.
5 (e) “Part” means organs, tissues, eyes, bones, arteries, blood, other fluids and any other portions of a human body.
6 (f) “Person” means an individual, corporation, government or governmental subdivision or agency, business
trust, estate trust, partnership or association, or any other legal entity.

(g) "Physician" or "surgeon" means a physician or surgeon licensed or authorized to practice under the laws of any state.

(h) "State" includes any state, district, commonwealth, territory, insular possession, and any other area subject to the legislative authority of the United States of America.


(a) Any individual of sound mind and eighteen years of age or more may give all or any part of his body for any purpose specified in section three of this article, the gift to take effect upon death.

(b) Any of the following persons, in order of priority stated, when persons in prior classes are not available at the time of death, and in the absence of actual notice of contrary indications by the decedent or actual notice of opposition by a member of the same or a prior class, may give all or any part of the decedent's body for any purpose specified in section three of this article:

(1) The spouse;

(2) An adult son or daughter;

(3) Either parent;

(4) An adult brother or sister;

(5) A guardian of the person of the decedent at the time of his death;

(6) Any other person authorized or under obligation to dispose of the body.

(c) If the donee has actual notice of contrary indications by the decedent or that a gift by a member of a class is opposed by a member of the same or a prior class, the donee shall not accept the gift. The persons authorized by subsection (b) of this section may make the gift after or immediately before death.

(d) A gift of all or part of a body authorizes any examination necessary to assure medical acceptability of the gift for the purposes intended.
(e) The rights of the donee created by the gift are paramount to the rights of others except as provided by section seven, subsection (d) of this article.

§16-19-3. Persons who may become donees; purposes for which anatomical gifts may be made.

The following persons may become donees of gifts of bodies or parts thereof for the purposes stated:

1. (1) Any hospital, surgeon, or physician, for medical or dental education, research, advancement of medical or dental science, therapy, or transplantation; or
2. (2) Any accredited medical or dental school, college or university for education, research, advancement of medical or dental science, or therapy; or
3. (3) Any bank or storage facility, for medical or dental education, research, advancement of medical or dental science, therapy, or transplantation; or
4. (4) Any specified individual for therapy or transplantation needed by him.


(a) A gift of all or part of the body under section two, subsection (a) of this article may be made by will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the testator without waiting for probate. If the will is not probated, or if it is declared invalid for testamentary purposes, the gift, to the extent that it has been acted upon in good faith, is nevertheless valid and effective.

(b) A gift of all or part of the body under section two, subsection (a) of this article may also be made by document other than a will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the donor. The document, which may be a card designed to be carried on the person, must be signed by the donor in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence. If the donor cannot sign, the document may be signed for him at his direction and in his presence in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence. Delivery of the document of gift during
the donor's lifetime is not necessary to make the gift valid.

(c) The gift may be made to a specified donee or without specifying a donee. If the latter, the gift may be accepted by the attending physician as donee upon or following death. If the gift is made to a specified donee who is not available at the time and place of death, the attending physician upon or following death, in the absence of any expressed indication that the donor desired otherwise, may accept the gift as donee. The physician who becomes a donee under this subsection shall not participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a part, except that this prohibition shall not apply to the removing or transplanting of an eye or eyes.

(d) Notwithstanding section seven, subsection (b) of this article, the donor may designate in his will, card, or other document of gift the surgeon or physician to carry out the appropriate procedures. In the absence of a designation or if the designee is not available, the donee or other person authorized to accept the gift may employ or authorize any surgeon or physician for the purpose.

(e) Any gift by a person designated in section two, subsection (b) of this article shall be made by a document signed by him or made by his telegraphic, recorded telephonic, or other recorded message.

(f) No particular words shall be necessary for donation of all or part of a body, but the following words, in substance, properly signed and witnessed, shall be legally valid for donations made pursuant to subsection (b) of this section:

"UNIFORM DONOR CARD

of

Print or type name of donor

In the hope that I may help others, I hereby make this anatomical gift, if medically acceptable, to take effect upon my death. The words and marks below indicate my desires.

I give: (a) any needed organs or parts
(b) only the following organs or parts

Specify the organ(s) or part(s)

for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education;

(c) my body for anatomical study if needed.

Limitations or special wishes, if any:

Signed by the donor and the following two witnesses in the presence of each other:

Signature of Donor Date of Birth of Donor

Date Signed City and State

Witness Witness

This is a legal document under the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act or similar laws."


1 If the gift is made by the donor to a specified donee, the will, card, or other document, or an executed copy thereof, may be delivered to the donee to expedite the appropriate procedures immediately after death. Delivery is not necessary to the validity of the gift. The will, card, or other document, or an executed copy thereof, may be deposited in any hospital, bank or storage facility or registry office that accepts it for safekeeping or for facilitation of procedures after death. On request of any interested party upon or after the donor's death, the person in possession shall produce the document for examination.

§16-19-6. Amendment or revocation of the gift.

1 (a) If the will, card, or other document or executed copy thereof, has been delivered to a specified donee, the donor may amend or revoke the gift by:

(1) The execution and delivery to the donee of a signed statement; or

(2) An oral statement made in the presence of two persons and communicated to the donee; or
(3) A statement during a terminal illness or injury addressed to an attending physician and communicated to the donee; or

(4) A signed card or document found on his person or in his effects.

(b) Any document of gift which has not been delivered to the donee may be revoked by the donor in the manner set out in subsection (a) of this section or by destruction, cancellation, or mutilation of the document and all executed copies thereof.

(c) Any gift made by a will may also be amended or revoked in the manner provided for amendment or revocation of wills, or as provided in subsection (a) of this section.


(a) The donee may accept or reject the gift. If the donee accepts a gift of the entire body, he may, subject to the terms of the gift, authorize embalming and the use of the body in funeral services. If the gift is of a part of the body, the donee, upon the death of the donor and prior to embalming, shall cause the part to be removed without unnecessary mutilation. After removal of the part, custody of the remainder of the body vests in the surviving spouse, next of kin, or other persons under obligation to dispose of the body.

(b) The time of death shall be determined by a physician who tends the donor at his death, or, if none, the physician who certifies the death. Such physician shall not participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a part.

(c) A person who acts in good faith in accord with the terms of this article or with the anatomical gift laws of another state or a foreign country is not liable for damages in any civil action or subject to prosecution in any criminal proceeding for his act.

(d) The provisions of this article are subject to the laws of this state prescribing powers and duties with respect to autopsies.
1 This article shall be so construed as to effectuate its
2 general purpose to make uniform the law of those states
3 which enact it.

1 This article may be cited as the "Uniform Anatomical
2 Gift Act."

* CHAPTER 5
(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 1—Originating in the Senate
Committee on Finance)

[Passed February 14, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor
February 18, 1970, after reducing certain items and parts of items and dis­
approving certain items, which reductions and disapprovals by the
Governor were invalidated by the Supreme Court of Appeals.
See Clerk's note on this page.]

AN ACT making appropriations of public moneys out of the
treasury in accordance with section fifty-one, article six
of the constitution.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Title
2. Appropriations.
3. Administration.

TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.
§1. General policy.
§2. Definitions.
§3. Classification of appropriations.

1 Section 1. General Policy.—The purpose of this act is to
2 appropriate money necessary for economical and efficient
3 discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the state and

*Clerk's note: On February 18, 1970, the Governor reduced certain
items in this Act and disapproved others. On June 16, 1970, the
Supreme Court of Appeals issued a preemptory writ of mandamus
in an action styled Chauncey H. Browning, Jr., Attorney General,
Relator, vs. C. A. Blankenship, Clerk of the House of Delegates, Re­
spondent, holding the Governor's action with respect to reduction and
disapproval of the certain items to be invalid, and commanding the
Clerk of the House of Delegates, "as keeper of the rolls, to publish
the Budget Act, as passed by the Legislature, and not as amended by
the Governor." In compliance with the Court's mandate, the Act is so
published herein.
its agencies during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

Sec. 2. Definitions.—For the purpose of this act:

"Governor" shall mean the Governor of the State of West Virginia.

"Spending Unit" shall mean the department, agency or institution to which an appropriation is made;

The "fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one" shall mean the period from July first, one thousand nine hundred seventy through June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

"From collections" shall mean that part of the total appropriation which must be collected by the spending unit to be available for expenditure. If the authorized amount of collections is not collected, the total appropriation for the spending unit shall be reduced automatically by the amount of the deficiency in the collection. If the amount collected exceeds the amount designated "from collections" the excess shall be set aside in a special surplus fund and may be expended for the purpose of the spending unit as provided by Chapter 5-A, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia.

Sec. 3. Classification of Appropriations.—An appropriation for:

"Personal Services" shall be expended only for the payment of salaries, wages, fees and other compensation for skill, work, or employment, except from the appropriations made to the spending units of state government, there may be transferred upon approval of the Governor, to a special account an amount sufficient to match Federal Funds under any Federal Acts;

Unless otherwise specified, appropriations for personal services shall include salaries of heads of spending units;

"Current Expenses" shall be expended only for operating cost other than personal services or capital outlay;

"Repairs and Alterations" shall include all expenditures for materials, supplies and labor used in repairing and altering buildings, grounds and equipment, other than personal service;
“Equipment” shall be expended only for things which have an appreciable and calculable period of usefulness in excess of one year;

“Buildings” shall include construction and alteration of structures and the improvements of lands, sewer and water improvements, and shall include shelter, support, storage, protection, or the improvement of a natural condition;

“Lands” shall be expended only for the purchase of lands or interest in lands.

Appropriations otherwise classified shall be expended only where the distribution of expenditures for different purposes cannot well be determined in advance or it is necessary or desirable to permit the spending unit freedom to spend an appropriation for more than one of the above purposes.

Sec. 4. Method of Expenditure.—Money appropriated by this act, unless otherwise specifically directed, shall be appropriated and expended according to the provisions of Chapter 12, Article 3 of the Code of West Virginia, or according to any law detailing a procedure specifically limiting that article.

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Section 1. Appropriations from General Revenue.—From the state fund, general revenue, there is hereby appropriated conditionally upon the fulfillment of the provisions set forth in Chapter 5-A, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia, the following amounts, as itemized, for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

LEGISLATIVE

1—Senate

Acct. No. 101

Fiscal Year 1969-70

1 Compensation and per diem of officers and attaches ____________________________ $ 65,000.00

Fiscal Year 1970-71

1 Salaries of Members ____________________________ $ 54,000.00
2 Compensation and per diem of officers and attaches ____________________________ 190,000.00
3 Mileage of Members ____________________________ 3,000.00
5 Current Expenses and Contingent Fund ____________________________ 130,000.00
6 To pay the Clerk of the Senate for compiling and publishing the West Virginia Blue Book, the distribution of which shall be made by the office of the Clerk of the Senate and shall include seventy-five copies for each member of the Legislature and two copies to each classified and approved High and Junior High School and one to each Elementary School within the state ____________ 10,000.00
15 To pay cost of printing the 1970 edition of the Blue Book ____________________________ 50,000.00
17 The appropriations for the Senate for the fiscal year 1969-70 are to remain in full force and effect, and are hereby reappropriated to June 30, 1971.

Any balances so reappropriated may be transferred and credited to the 1970-71 accounts.
24 Upon written request of the Clerk of the Senate the State Auditor shall transfer amounts between items of the total appropriation in order to protect or increase the efficiency of the service.

29 The Clerk of the Senate is authorized to draw his requisitions upon the Auditor, payable out of the contingent fund of the Senate for any bills for supplies and services that may have been incurred by the Senate and not included in the appropriation bill, and for bills for supplies and services incurred after adjournment, and for the necessary operation of the Senate offices, the requisition for same to be accompanied by the bills to be filed with the Auditor.

2—House of Delegates

Acct. No. 102

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<td>4 Mileage of Members</td>
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<td>5 Current Expenses and Contingent Fund</td>
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6 The appropriation for the House of Delegates for the fiscal year 1969-70 are to remain in full force and effect, and are hereby re-appropriated to June 30, 1971.

10 Any balances so reappropriated may be transferred and credited to the 1970-71 accounts.

12 Upon the written request of the Clerk of the House of Delegates, the State Auditor shall
transfer amounts between items of the total appropriation in order to protect or increase the efficiency of the service.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates, with approval of the Speaker, is authorized to draw his requisitions upon the Auditor, payable out of the contingent fund of the House of Delegates, for any bills for supplies and services that may have been incurred by the House of Delegates, and not included in the appropriation bill, for bills for services and supplies incurred in preparation for the opening of the session and after adjournment, and for the necessary operation of the House of Delegates' offices, the requisition for same to be accompanied by bills to be filed with the Auditor.

For duties imposed by law and by the House of Delegates, including the salary allowed by law as keeper of the rolls, the Clerk of the House of Delegates shall be paid a monthly salary as provided in House Resolution No. 3, adopted January 14, 1970, payable from the contingent fund of the House of Delegates, and the Clerk may employ a secretary and a bookkeeper at the salaries provided in said resolution.

The Speaker of the House of Delegates, upon recommendation of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, shall have the authority to convene the Finance Committee at any time within ten (10) days prior to the next Legislative session for the purpose of reviewing the budget requests of the various spending units of this State. Such members of the Committee are to be allowed $25.00 per diem in lieu of actual and necessary expenses, and the Clerk of the House is hereby authorized
to draw requisitions upon the State Auditor
payable out of the appropriation for Current Expenses and Contingent Fund for these expenses.
The Speaker of the House of Delegates, upon recommendation of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, shall have authority to employ such staff personnel during and between sessions of the Legislature as shall be needed, and the Clerk of the House is hereby authorized to draw requisitions upon the State Auditor, payable out of the appropriation for Contingent Expenses for such services.

3—Joint Expenses
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<td>2 Commission on Interstate Cooperation</td>
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<td>3 Joint Committee on Government and Finance</td>
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The appropriation for Joint Expenses for the fiscal year 1969-1970, are to remain in full force and effect, and are hereby reappropriated to June 30, 1971.

Any balances so reappropriated may be transferred and credited to the 1970-71 accounts.

Upon written request of the Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Delegates the State Auditor shall transfer amounts between items of the total appropriation in order to protect or increase the efficiency of the service.
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<td>221,592.00</td>
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<td>4 Judges Retirement System</td>
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<td>5 Criminal Charges</td>
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7—Judicial Council

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This appropriation shall be administered by the State Auditor who shall draw his requisition for warrants in payments of salaries in the form of payrolls, making deductions therefrom as required by law, for taxes and other items. The appropriation for Judges Retirement System is to be transferred to the Judges Retirement Fund, in accordance with the law relating thereto, upon requisition of the State Auditor.

6—State Law Library

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<td>1 Personal Services</td>
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<td>3 Equipment</td>
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## 8—Governor’s Office

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<td>Equipment</td>
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Of this appropriation there may be expended, at the discretion of the Governor, an amount not to exceed $1,000.00 as West Virginia’s contribution to the Interstate Oil Compact Commission.

Custodial Fund:
To be used for current general expenses, including compensation of servants and employees, household maintenance, cost of official functions, and any additional household expenses occasioned by such official functions.

Federal State Coordination and Office of Federal State Relations:

Disaster Relief—Federal Matching:
To match and aid Federal Programs, and any part of this appropriation may be transferred to any department for such purposes.

Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation—Civil Contingent Fund, Office of Federal State Relations, and Federal State Coordination, at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

Total: *(−$916,980.00)* | $940,000.00

*The figures in parenthesis indicate the amount of the item as reduced by the Governor. The last column shows the amount in the bill as passed by the Legislature and restored by the Supreme Court of Appeals in the mandamus proceeding, styled State of West Virginia ex rel. Chauncey H. Browning, Jr., vs. C. A. Blankenship, Clerk of the House of Delegates. The last column represents the official act of the Legislature and constitutes compliance with the Court’s mandate.*
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<td>5 Microfilm Program</td>
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<td>4 Equipment</td>
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<td>5 Board of Investments</td>
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### 12—Sinking Fund Commission

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### 13—State Tax Department

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### 14—State Tax Department

**Property Appraisal**

**Acct. No. 185**

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### 15—State Commissioner of Public Institutions

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### 16—Department of Finance and Administration

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<td>5 Postage</td>
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<td>6 Records Management</td>
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<td>7 Office of State Emergency Planning</td>
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8 State Agency Surplus Property 50,000.00
9 Transportation Division—Vehicles 125,000.00
10 Information Systems Service Division 200,000.00
11 Major Building Repairs 325,000.00
12 National Youth Science Camp 80,000.00

13 Total 2,445,300.00

14 The Workmen's Compensation Commission, Department of Welfare, Public Service
15 Commission, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Motor Vehicles,
16 State Department of Highways, State
17 Health Department and State Tax Department—Income Tax Division shall reimburse the postage appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration monthly for all meter service. Any spending unit operating from Special Revenue or receiving reimbursement for postage costs from the Federal Government shall refund to the postage account of the Department of Finance and Administration such amounts. Should this appropriation for postage be insufficient to meet the mailing requirements of the State spending units as set out above, any excess postage meter service requirements shall be a proper charge against the units, and each spending unit shall refund to the postage appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration any amounts required for that Department for postage in excess of this appropriation.

40 Any unexpended balance remaining in the “Postage Account” and “Major Building Repairs” (Major Building Repairs to include maintenance and repairs to Governor's Mansion) at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.
47 State Department of Highways, shall reimburse the appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration monthly for all actual expenses incurred pursuant to (the provisions of) Chapter 17, Article 2-A, Section 13 of the Code of West Virginia.

17—State Board of Insurance
Acct. No. 225

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8 Total...........................................$ 509,460.00

9 The above appropriations on lines 4, 5 and 6 are for the purpose of paying premiums for the various state agencies. Should these appropriations be insufficient to meet the premium requirements of the state spending units, any excess premium requirements shall be a proper charge against the units and each spending unit shall reimburse to the Board of Insurance any amounts required for that department for premiums in excess of this appropriation.

20 Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation for “Self-Insurance Fund” at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

LEGAL
18—Attorney General
Acct. No. 240

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When legal counsel or secretarial help is appointed by the Attorney General, for any state spending unit, this account shall be reimbursed from such unit's appropriated account in an amount agreed upon by the Attorney General and the proper authority of said spending unit.

19—Commission on Uniform State Laws

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INCORPORATING AND RECORDING

20—Secretary of State

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EDUCATIONAL

21—West Virginia Board of Regents (Control)

Acct. No. 279

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### APPROPRIATIONS

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<td>9 Forestry Products</td>
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<td>10 Regional Research Institute</td>
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<td>11 Intensive Agriculture-Demonstration Trial</td>
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<td>12 Experimental Projects in Teacher Education</td>
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<td>13 Branch College</td>
<td>203,200.00</td>
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<td>14 Community Development and Research</td>
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<td>15 Center for Economic Action</td>
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16 **Total** $55,373,700.00

17 Out of the above appropriation for “Personal Services” an amount of $30,000.00 shall be expended for the Greenbrier Valley Branch.

22—*West Virginia Board of Regents*

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4 **Total** $344,565.00

23—*State Board of Education—Vocational Division—Adult Basic Education*

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24—*Department of Education*

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25—*Educational Broadcasting Authority*

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<td>Regional ETV * ($400,000.00)</td>
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<td>Total * ($463,430.00)</td>
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For participation in the construction and operation of Regional ETV stations by Marshall University, Concord College, Bluefield State College, West Virginia Institute of Technology and West Virginia State College and may be transferred to special revenue accounts for matching County and/or Federal Funds.

**26—State Board of Education—Vocational Division**

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<td>$1,750,000.00</td>
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<td>The above appropriation includes $100,000.00 for Manpower Training.</td>
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**27—State Board of Education—Vocational Division**

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Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation "Aid to Counties" at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby appropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

**28—State Board of School Finance—State Aid to Schools**

Acct. No. 295

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<td>To be transferred to the General School Fund upon the requisition of the Governor.</td>
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**29—Department of Education—Aid for Exceptional Children**

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<td>Current Expenses</td>
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**APPROPRIATIONS**

3 Out-of-State Instruction ........................................ 90,000.00
4 Aid to Counties ................................................. * ($1,324,000.00) 1,724,000.00

5 Total ............................................................... * ($1,455,560.00) $ 1,855,560.00

6 The appropriation for "Out-of-State Instruction" may be expended to provide instruction, care and maintenance for educable persons who have multiple handicaps and for whom the State provides no facilities.

30—*Teachers Retirement Board*

**Acct. No. 298**

1 Benefit Fund—Payments to Retired
2 Teachers .................................................................. $ 11,502,000.00
3 Employers' Accumulation Fund—To match contributions of members ........................................ 3,525,000.00
4 Expenses Fund .......................................................... 35,000.00

5 Total ......................................................................... $ 15,062,000.00

31—*State Commission on Higher Education*

**Acct. No. 299**

1 Operating Expenses .................................................. $ 28,400.00
2 Title I—Matching Funds .............................................. 130,000.00
3 Guaranteed Student Loan
4 Program ................................................................. * ($175,000.00) 250,000.00
5 Scholarship Program .................................................. * ( 175,000.00) 250,000.00
6 Awareness Program ................................................... 50,000.00

7 Total ........................................................................ * ($558,400.00) $ 708,400.00

8 The appropriation for Guaranteed Student Loan Program and Scholarship Program may be transferred to Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of matching Federal Funds for the above-named program.

32—*West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind*

**Acct. No. 333**

1 Personal Services ..................................................... $ 921,990.00
2 Current Expenses ...................................................... 185,000.00

*See note page 22.*
3 Repairs and Alterations ...................................... 55,350.00
4 Equipment ..................................................... 39,500.00

5 Total ..................................................................... $ 1,201,840.00

6 Any unexpended balance remaining in the
7 appropriation "Intermediate Classroom
8 Dormitory Unit" at the close of the fiscal
9 year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for
10 expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

33—State FFA-FHA Camp and Conference Center

Acct. No. 336

1 Personal Services ................................................. $ 40,700.00
2 Current Expenses .................................................. 7,250.00
3 Repairs and Alterations ......................................... 6,250.00
4 Equipment ........................................................... 7,050.00

5 Total ..................................................................... $ 61,250.00

34—Department of Archives and History

Acct. No. 340

1 Personal Services ................................................. $ 63,450.00
2 Current Expenses .................................................. 15,850.00
3 Equipment ........................................................... 11,500.00

4 Total ..................................................................... $ 90,800.00

35—West Virginia Library Commission

Acct. No. 350

1 Personal Services ................................................. $ 125,542.00
2 Current Expenses .................................................. 4,900.00
3 Equipment ........................................................... 5,000.00
4 Books and Periodicals .......................................... 31,480.00
5 To Match Federal Funds ........................................ 208,096.00

6 Total ..................................................................... $ 375,018.00

7 Any unexpended balance remaining in the
8 appropriation "Library Matching Fund" at
9 the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby
10 reappropriated for expenditure during the
### Charities and Correction

#### 36—West Virginia Industrial School for Boys

**Acct. No. 370**

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#### 37—Forestry Camp for Boys

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#### 38—West Virginia Industrial Home for Girls

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#### 39—West Virginia Forestry Camp—(Leckie)

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### 40—West Virginia State Prison for Women

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### 43—West Virginia Children’s Home

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### 44—Andrew S. Rowan Memorial Home

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#### HEALTH AND WELFARE

**45—State Health Department**

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**46—Department of Veterans Affairs**

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<td>To provide Educational Opportunities for Children of War Veterans as provided by Chapter thirty-nine, Acts of the Legislature, one thousand nine hundred forty-three</td>
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10 Any unexpended balances remaining in the
11 appropriation "To Provide Educational Op-
12 portunities for Children of War Veterans"
13 at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is
14 hereby reappropriated for expenditure
15 during the fiscal year 1970-71.

47—Department of Welfare

Acct. No. 405

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48—State Commission on Aging

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49—Department of Mental Health

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8 Commission on Mental Retardation .................. 16,720.00
9 Division of Alcoholism ..................* ($250,000.00) 350,000.00
10 Division of Community Services ..................* ( 200,000.00) 300,000.00
11 Roney’s Point Branch Hospital .................. 100,000.00
12 Total ..................* ($1,653,678.00) $ 1,853,678.00

50—Colin Anderson Center

Acct. No. 419
1 Personal Services ..................................$ 1,819,200.00
2 Current Expenses .................................. 332,100.00
3 Repairs and Alterations .................................. 57,300.00
4 Equipment .................................. 31,500.00
5 Total ..................................$ 2,240,100.00

6 Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation “Capital Outlay Improvement” at the close of fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

51—Weston State Hospital

Acct. No. 420
1 Personal Services ..................................$ 3,365,700.00
2 Current Expenses .................................. 1,033,488.00
3 Repairs and Alterations .................................. 101,000.00
4 Equipment .................................. 76,200.00
5 Psychiatric Training Center for Student Nurses .................................. 310,000.00
6 Total ..................................$ 4,886,388.00

8 Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation “Boiler Replacement” at the close of fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

52—Spencer State Hospital

Acct. No. 421
1 Personal Services ..................................$ 2,144,320.00
2 Current Expenses .................................. 601,672.00

*See note page 22.
### 5—Huntington State Hospital

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6. Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation — Construct Recreation Building, Renovate Classroom Building, Construct Ward Building, at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

### 56—Fairmont Emergency Hospital

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3 Repairs and Alterations

4 Equipment

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53—Huntington State Hospital

54—Lakin State Hospital

55—Barboursville State Hospital

56—Fairmont Emergency Hospital
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### 62—State Board of Education—Rehabilitation Division

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### BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

#### 63—Bureau of Labor and Department of Weights and Measures

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#### 64—Department of Employment Security Work Incentive Program

**Acct. No. 451**

1. Any unexpended balance remaining in this appropriation at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

*See note page 22.*
65—Department of Mines

Acct. No. 460

1 Personal Services ........................................ $ 1,277,740.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................ 192,075.00
3 Equipment .................................................. 33,500.00

4 Total ................................................................... $ 1,503,315.00

5 Out of the above appropriation for "Personal Services" the sum of $19,000.00 is to be expended for and in the case of
employment of the "Deputy Director for Oil and Gas"
and only in the event such Deputy Director is qualified
pursuant to Section 1b, Chapter 22 of the Code of West
Virginia, as amended.

66—Department of Commerce

Acct. No. 465

1 Personal Services ........................................ $ 375,000.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................ 831,970.00
3 Equipment .................................................. 5,000.00
4 Mt. State Forest Festival ................................... 15,000.00
5 Alpine Festival .............................................. 1,000.00
6 West Virginia Historical Drama Association ....... 35,000.00
7 Arts and Humanities Fund ................................ 124,960.00
8 West Virginia Water Festival ........................... 5,000.00
9 Mountain State Arts & Crafts Fair ................... 5,000.00
10 Oil and Gas Festival ...................................... 1,500.00

11 Total ................................................................... $ 1,399,430.00

12 The above appropriations, Mountain State Forest Festival, Alpine Festival, Mountain State Arts and Crafts Fair, West Virginia Water Festival and West Virginia Historical Drama Association shall be expended only upon authorization of the Commerce Commissioner and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5-A of the Code of West Virginia.

13 All Federal moneys received as reimburse-
ments to the Department of Commerce, for moneys expended from the General Reve-
24...25...26...27...28...29...30...31...32...

Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation "Independence Hall, Wheeling, West Virginia" at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

67—State Commission on Manpower, Technology and Training

Acct. No. 470

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Total: $28,600.00

68—Interstate Commission on Potomac River Basin

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69—Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission

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70—Southern Regional Education Board

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<td>West Virginia's contribution to Southern Regional Education Board</td>
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3 To be expended upon requisition of the Governor.

71—West Virginia Air Pollution Commission

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<td>Antiquities Commission</td>
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<td>West Virginia State Aeronautics Commission</td>
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Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation “Airport Matching Fund” at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during fiscal year 1970-71.
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### 76—West Virginia Nonintoxicating Beer Commissioner

**Acct. No. 490**

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### 77—West Virginia Racing Commission

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### AGRICULTURE

### 78—Department of Agriculture

**Acct. No. 510**

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6 Out of the above funds a sum may be used to match Federal Funds for the eradication and control of pest and plant diseases.

### 79—Department of Agriculture—Soil Conservation Committee

**Acct. No. 512**

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5 Any unexpended balance remaining in the Watershed Program at the end of the fiscal

*See note page 22.
year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during fiscal year 1970-71.

80—Department of Agriculture—Division of Rural Resources

Acct. No. 513

1 Matching Fund *($170,000.00) $ 320,000.00
2 Any part or all of this appropriation may be transferred to Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of matching Federal Funds for the above-named program.

81—Department of Agriculture—Meat Inspection

Acct. No. 514

1 Unclassified *($200,000.00) $ 240,000.00
2 Any part or all of this appropriation may be transferred to Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of matching Federal Funds for the above-named program.

Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation “Meat Inspection” at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

82—Department of Agriculture—Agricultural Awards

Acct. No. 515

1 West Virginia State Fair $ 30,000.00
2 Agricultural Awards $ 45,000.00
3 Walnut Festival 3,500.00
4 Apple Festival 1,500.00
5 Strawberry Festival 3,500.00
6 Buckwheat Festival 1,000.00
7 Total $ 84,500.00

CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

83—Geological and Economic Survey Commission

Acct. No. 520

1 Personal Services $ 234,000.00
2 Current Expenses 91,600.00

*See note page 22.
Of the above appropriations for Current Expenses, the sum of $50,000.00 may be used to cooperate with the United States Geological Survey in Ground Waters Resources Study.

84—Department of Veterans Affairs

Acct. No. 564

1 In aid of Veterans Day Patriotic Exercises $3,000.00
2 To be expended subject to the approval of the Department of Veterans Affairs upon presentation of satisfactory plans by the Grafton G.A.R. Post, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Sons of Veterans.

85—Department of Natural Resources

Acct. No. 565

1 Personal Services $2,469,068.00
2 Current Expenses 630,525.00
3 Repairs and Alterations 108,850.00
4 Equipment 229,570.00
5 Subsistence for Conservation Officers 176,425.00
6 Clarke-McNary Fire Prevention 200,000.00
7 A.R.A.-E.D.A. Park Programs 94,940.00
8 Water Resources Board 5,000.00
9 U.S. Geological Survey 40,500.00
10 Rabies Control 30,000.00
11 Work Incentive Program 277,709.00
12 French Creek Game Farm 30,000.00
13 Total $4,292,587.00

Out of the above appropriation for Subsistence for Conservation Officers, subsistence shall be paid at the rate of five dollars per calendar day to the chief conservation officer and each full-time uniformed conservation officer, under his direct supervision,
20 whose primary duties and responsibilities
21 are law enforcement.
22 Any unexpended balance remaining in the
23 appropriation “Clarke-McNary—Fire Pre-
24 vention” at the close of the fiscal year
25 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for ex-
26 penditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.
27 Out of the above appropriation for “Per-
28 sonal Services” and “Current Expenses”
29 there shall be expended an amount of
30 *$16,520.00 to operate the North Bend Golf
31 Course.
32 Any unexpended balance remaining in the ap-
33 propriation “Capital Improvements, State
34 Parks” at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70
35 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure
36 during the fiscal year 1970-71.

PROTECTION

86—Department of Public Safety
Acct. No. 570

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87—Adjutant General—State Militia
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<td>3 Repairs and Alterations</td>
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<td>4 Equipment</td>
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<td>5 Compensation of Commanding Officers, Clerical</td>
<td>$90,540.00</td>
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<td>Allowances and Uniform Allowances</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 Property Maintenance</td>
<td>$170,060.00</td>
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<td>7 State Armory Board</td>
<td>$846,678.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,429,178.00</strong></td>
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*This appropriation was disapproved by the Governor, but was reinstated under the mandate of the Supreme Court of Appeals. See note on page 11.
88—Department of Civil and Defense Mobilization
Acct. No. 581

1 Personal Services ........................................ $ 42,853.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................... 10,862.00
3 Equipment .................................................. 600.00

4 Total .................................................................. $ 54,315.00

89—Auditor’s Office—Social Security
Acct. No. 582

1 To match contributions of state employees for social security $ 2,750,000.00
2 The above appropriation is intended to cover the state’s share of social security costs for those spending units operating from General Revenue Fund and General School Fund appropriations. The State Department of Highways, Department of Motor Vehicles, Workmen’s Compensation Commission, Public Service Commission, and other departments operating from Special Revenue Fund and/or Federal Funds shall pay their proportionate share of the social security cost for their respective divisions.
3 Any unexpended balance remaining in this appropriation at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

90—West Virginia State Board of Land Surveyors
Acct. No. 585

1 To pay the per diem of members and other general expenses $ 4,000.00
2 From Collections ............................................ 4,000.00

91—State Board of Professional Foresters
Acct. No. 586

1 To pay the per diem of members and other general expenses $ 500.00
2 From Collections ............................................ 500.00
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<th>Acct. No.</th>
<th>State Board of Examiners for Practical Nurses</th>
<th>1 To pay the per diem of members and other</th>
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<td>587</td>
<td>2 general expenses $29,000.00</td>
<td>3 From Collections $29,000.00</td>
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<th>State Board of Pharmacy</th>
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<td>590</td>
<td>2 general expenses $28,350.00</td>
<td>3 From Collections $28,350.00</td>
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<th>State Board of Osteopathy</th>
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<td>591</td>
<td>2 general expenses $2,356.00</td>
<td>3 From Collections $2,356.00</td>
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<th>State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors</th>
<th>1 To pay the per diem of members and other</th>
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<td>593</td>
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<th>State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers</th>
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<td>594</td>
<td>2 general expenses $37,000.00</td>
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<th>Acct. No.</th>
<th>State Board of Architects</th>
<th>1 To pay the per diem of members and other</th>
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<tr>
<td>595</td>
<td>2 general expenses $5,000.00</td>
<td>3 From Collections $5,000.00</td>
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</table>
99—State Veterinary Board
Acct. No. 596
1 To pay the per diem of members and other general expenses $1,000.00
2 From Collections $1,000.00

100—State Board of Law Examiners
Acct. No. 597
1 To pay the per diem of members and other general expenses $3,400.00

101—Human Rights Commission
Acct. No. 598
1 Personal Services $72,700.00
2 Current Expenses $36,000.00
3 Equipment $1,500.00
4 Total $110,200.00

102—West Virginia State Board of Sanitarians
Acct. No. 599
1 To pay the per diem of members and other general expenses $800.00
2 From Collections $800.00

103—West Virginia Public Employees Retirement Board
Acct. No. 614
1 Employers Accumulation Fund $2,695,000.00
2 Expense Fund $25,000.00
3 Total $2,720,000.00
4 The above appropriation is intended to cover the state’s share of the West Virginia Public Employee’s Retirement cost in accordance with Chapter 5, Article 10 of the Code of West Virginia, for those departments operating from General Revenue Fund and General School Fund appropriations. The State Department of Highways, Depart-
ment of Motor Vehicles, State Tax Department—Gasoline Tax Division, Workmen's Compensation Commission, Public Service Commission, and other departments operating from Special Revenue Funds and/or Federal Funds shall pay their proportionate share of the retirement costs for their respective divisions. When specific appropriations are not made such payments may be made from the balances in the various Special Revenue Funds in excess of specific appropriations.

104—Insurance Commissioner

Acct. No. 616

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<tr>
<td>1 Personal Services</td>
<td>$350,000.00</td>
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<td>2 Current Expenses</td>
<td>$81,900.00</td>
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<td>3 Repairs and Alterations</td>
<td>$5,500.00</td>
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<td>4 Equipment</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$442,400.00</strong></td>
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1 Sec. 2. Appropriations from Other Funds.—From the funds designated there is hereby appropriated conditionally upon the fulfillment of the provisions set forth in Chapter 5-A, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia, the following amounts, as itemized, for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

105—State Department of Highways

Acct. No. 670

TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Program</th>
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<tr>
<td>1 Federal-Aid Construction</td>
<td>$189,000,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Interstate Program</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Federal-Aid Construction—ABC Program</td>
<td>$27,500,000.00</td>
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<td>4 Appalachian Program</td>
<td>$106,000,000.00</td>
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<td>5 Interstate Maintenance</td>
<td>$3,500,000.00</td>
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<td>6 Maintenance</td>
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<td>7 Expressway, Trunkline and Feeder</td>
<td>$19,835,000.00</td>
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<td>8 Maintenance</td>
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<td>9 State Local Service</td>
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<td>Item</td>
<td>Amount</td>
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<tr>
<td>10 Nonfederal Aid Construction</td>
<td>22,500,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>11 Emergency Operations—Snow and Ice Control—Flood and Slides</td>
<td>6,300,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>12 Scenic Highway</td>
<td>750,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>13 Forest Highway</td>
<td>50,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>14 General Operations</td>
<td>26,000,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15 Equipment Purchases</td>
<td>2,000,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16 Inventory Purchases</td>
<td>1,000,000.00</td>
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<td>17 Debt Service</td>
<td>24,000,000.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$454,435,000.00</strong></td>
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It is the intent to appropriate and make available for expenditure, the balances and all revenues and income of the state road fund, including the proceeds from the sale of bonds, for the maintenance, construction and reconstruction of state roads and for other purposes in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 17, Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended.

Funds in excess of amounts herein appropriated may be made available by budget amendment upon request of the Highways Commissioner and approval of the Governor.

The State Commissioner of Highways shall have the authority to operate revolving funds within the state road fund for the operation and purchase of various types of equipment used directly and indirectly in the construction and maintenance of roads and for the purchase of inventories and materials and supplies: Provided, however, That the operation of such revolving funds shall not cause expenditures in excess of the foregoing appropriations.

There is hereby appropriated, within the above line items, sufficient moneys for the payment of claims, accrued or arising dur-
approving this budgetary period, to be paid in accordance with Chapter 14, Article 2, Sections 7 and 8, Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 5-A, Article 2, Section 19, Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, transfer of amounts between the line items of appropriation herein is authorized.

106—Department of Motor Vehicles
Acct. No. 671
TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

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<th>Item Description</th>
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<td>Personal Services</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$575,665.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$30,000.00</td>
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<td>Purchase of License Plates</td>
<td>$260,000.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$48,430.00</td>
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<td>Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund</td>
<td>$64,800.00</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$1,959,215.00</td>
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107—State Tax Department—Gasoline Tax Division
Acct. No. 672
TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

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<th>Item Description</th>
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<td>Personal Services</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$68,300.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$4,000.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$12,000.00</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$335,040.00</td>
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108—State Board of Education—Vocational Division
Acct. No. 701
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<th>Item Description</th>
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<td>Personal Services</td>
<td>$102,292.00</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$62,100.00</td>
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<th>Equipment</th>
<th>2,325.00</th>
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<td>Vocational Aid</td>
<td>378,335.00</td>
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| Total                              | 545,052.00 |

Any unexpended balance remaining in the appropriation — Vocational Aid and Aid to Counties at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

#### 109—Department of Education—Veterans Education

Acct. No. 702

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Personal Services</th>
<th>$ 55,680.00</th>
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<tr>
<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>15,300.00</td>
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| Total                              | $ 70,980.00 |

Expenditures from this appropriation shall not exceed the amount to be reimbursed by the Federal Government.

Federal funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendment upon request of the State Superintendent of Schools and approval of the Governor for any emergency which might arise in the operation of this division during the fiscal year.

#### 110—Department of Education

Acct. No. 703

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

<table>
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<th>Personal Services</th>
<th>$ 561,268.00</th>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>233,550.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>6,850.00</td>
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<td>National Defense Education Act</td>
<td>223,270.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Statewide Testing Program</td>
<td>176,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Experimental Projects</td>
<td>18,730.00</td>
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| Total                              | $ 1,219,668.00 |
The above appropriation includes the State Board of Education and their executive offices.

Any part or all of the appropriation for "National Defense Education Act" may be transferred to a Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of matching Federal Funds for this program.

111—State Board of School Finance

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<td>Personal Services</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$16,780.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$2,500.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$64,280.00</strong></td>
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112—Department of Education—School Lunch Program

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<td>Personal Services</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$28,410.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aid to Counties—Includes hot lunches and canning for hot lunches</td>
<td>$475,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$592,390.00</strong></td>
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113—Department of Education

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

| Description                                                          | Amount   |
|                                                                    |----------|
| Salaries of County Superintendents                                  | $61,000.00|

114—Department of Education

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>State Aid to Children's Home</td>
<td>$25,000.00</td>
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**115—Department of Education—Safety Education**  
Acct. No. 708  
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<td>$13,040.00</td>
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<td>2 Current Expenses</td>
<td>$2,960.00</td>
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<td>3 Aid to Counties</td>
<td>$135,000.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$151,000.00</strong></td>
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**116—Department of Education—Textbook Aid**  
Acct. No. 709  
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

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<td>1 Unclassified</td>
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<td>2 To be distributed according to Chapter fifty-one, Acts of the Legislature, Regular Session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine.</td>
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**117—Treasurer's Office**  
Acct. No. 800  
TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>1 Abandoned and Unclaimed Property —</td>
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<td>2 Trust and Expense Fund</td>
<td>$20,000.00</td>
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**118—Real Estate Commission**  
Acct. No. 801  
TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>2 Current Expenses</td>
<td>$16,664.00</td>
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<td>3 Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$1,550.00</td>
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<td>4 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$54,554.00</strong></td>
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6 The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid out of collections of license fees as provided by law.

**119—West Virginia Racing Commission**  
Acct. No. 808  
TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>1 Medical Expenses</td>
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2 The total amount of this appropriation shall
3 be paid from Special Revenue Fund out
4 of collections of license fees and fines as
5 provided by law.
6 No expenditures shall be made from this
7 account except for hospitalization, medical
8 care, and/or funeral expenses for persons
9 contributing to this fund.

120—Auditor’s Office—Land Department Operating Fund

Acct. No. 812

<table>
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<th>TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 Personal Services $23,100.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Current Expenses $16,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 Total $39,100.00</td>
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4 The total amount of this appropriation shall
5 be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of
6 fees and collections as provided by law.
7 Special funds in excess of the amount herein
8 appropriated may be made available by
9 budget amendments upon request of the
10 State Auditor and the approval of the
11 Governor.

121—Department of Finance and Administration—
Division of Purchases—Revolving Fund

Acct. No. 814

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<td>1 Personal Services $136,720.00</td>
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<td>2 Current Expenses $10,800.00</td>
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<td>3 Equipment $20,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 Social Security Matching Fund</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund $8,950.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6 Total $183,070.00</td>
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7 The total amount of this appropriation shall
8 be paid from Special Revenue Fund as pro-
9 vided by Chapter 5-A, Article 2 of the Code
10 of West Virginia.
The above appropriation includes salaries and operating expenses. There is hereby appropriated from this fund, in addition to the above appropriation, the necessary amount for the purchase of supplies for resale.

Special funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendments upon request of the Department of Finance and Administration and approval of the Governor.

### 122—Department of Agriculture

**Acct. No. 818**

**TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$8,500.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$9,300.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund</td>
<td>$9,000.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$286,390.00</strong></td>
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The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of collections made by the Department of Agriculture as provided by law. It is the intention that special funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendments upon request of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and approval of the Governor.

### 123—State Committee of Barbers and Beauticians

**Acct. No. 822**

**TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$32,000.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$900.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$3,000.00</td>
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</table>
5 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund 4,500.00

6 Total $106,700.00

7 The total amount of this appropriation shall
8 be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of
9 collections made by the State Committee of
10 Barbers and Beauticians as provided by
11 law.

124—Public Service Commission

Acct. No. 828

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>Salaries of Commissioners</td>
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<td>Other Personal Services</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$115,975.00</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$16,265.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$22,787.00</td>
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<td>Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund</td>
<td>$39,781.00</td>
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7 Total $880,624.00

8 The total amount of this appropriation shall
9 be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of
10 collections for special license fees from
11 public service corporations as provided by
12 law. Out of the above appropriation $5,-
13 000.00 may be transferred to the State
14 Water Resources Commission of the De-
15 partment of Natural Resources for use in
16 cooperation with the U. S. Geological Sur-
17 vey in a program of stream gauging.

125—Public Service Commission—

Gas Pipeline Division

Acct. No. 8285

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$6,930.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$2,160.00</td>
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5 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund 3,400.00

6 Total ................................................ $ 88,855.00

7 The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of receipts collected for or by the Public Service Commission pursuant to and in the exercise of regulatory authority over pipeline companies.

126—Public Service Commission—Motor Carrier Division

Acct. No. 829

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

1 Personal Services ........................................ $ 269,564.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................ 70,400.00
3 Equipment ................................................. 4,860.00
4 Social Security Matching Fund .......................... 11,677.00
5 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund .......... 16,160.00

6 Total ................................................ $ 372,661.00

7 The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of receipts collected for or by the Public Service Commission pursuant to and in the exercise of regulatory authority over motor carriers as authorized by law.

127—Department of Natural Resources

Acct. No. 830

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

1 Personal Services ........................................ $ 1,395,255.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................ 631,939.00
3 Repairs and Alterations ................................ 80,200.00
4 Equipment ................................................. 123,600.00
5 Land Purchase & Building ................................ 50,000.00

6 Total ................................................ $ 2,280,994.00

7 The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of
fees collected by the Department of Natural Resources. Expenditures shall be limited to the amounts appropriated except for Federal Funds received and Special Funds collected at state parks. Special Funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendment upon request of the Department of Natural Resources and approval of the Governor.

128—Department of Public Safety—Inspection Fees

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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$76,290.00</td>
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<td>Repairs and Alterations</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>$10,850.00</td>
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<td>Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>$958.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$249,080.00</strong></td>
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The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of fees collected for inspection stickers as provided by law.

Special Funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendment upon request of the Department of Public Safety and approval of the Governor for the purpose of repairs to, or construction of police barracks.

129—West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control

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<td>Salary of Commissioner</td>
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<td>Other Personal Services</td>
<td>$4,072,000.00</td>
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<td>Current Expenses</td>
<td>$949,598.00</td>
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TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
Repairs and Alterations ................................................. 18,000.00
Equipment ........................................................................ 62,500.00
Social Security Matching Fund ........................................ 219,542.00
Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund ................. 292,722.00

Total ............................................................................... 5,630,362.00

The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of liquor revenues.

The above appropriation includes the salaries of store personnel, store inspectors, store operating expenses and equipment; and salaries, expenses and equipment of administration offices.

There is hereby appropriated from liquor revenues, in addition to the above appropriation, the necessary amount for the purchase of liquor, as provided by law.

130—West Virginia Civil Service System

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Personal Services .......................................................... $216,000.00
Current Expenses ............................................................ 40,050.00
Social Security Matching Fund ......................................... 9,500.00
Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund ................. 14,100.00

Total ............................................................................... $279,650.00

The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund supported by participating agencies as provided by law.

The Governor is hereby authorized to make available by budget amendment, upon request of the Civil Service Commission, funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated.
131—Board of Regents—West Virginia University—
Special Capital Improvement Fund
Acct. No. 853

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<td>Property Acquisition</td>
<td>$300,000.00</td>
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<td>Misc. Small Projects</td>
<td>$500,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Utilities, Roads and Parking</td>
<td>$535,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Renovating of Existing Buildings</td>
<td>$500,000.00</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$2,500,000.00</td>
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The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from the nonrevolving Capital Improvement Fund created by the 1959 Legislature, amended by the 1963 Legislature.

Any unexpended balance remaining in this appropriation at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

132—Board of Regents—Special Capital Improvement Fund
Acct. No. 854

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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<tr>
<td>West Virginia Board of Regents Debt Service</td>
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<td>Marshall University—Athletic Development—Phase I</td>
<td>$1,088,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fairmont State College—Roads &amp; Parking Areas</td>
<td>$150,000.00</td>
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<td>Fairmont State College—Dining Hall Air Conditioning</td>
<td>$50,000.00</td>
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<td>Glenville State College—Parking Areas</td>
<td>$30,000.00</td>
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<td>Glenville State College—Dormitory Furniture &amp; Equipment</td>
<td>$230,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shepherd College—Dining Hall Air Conditioning</td>
<td>$60,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shepherd College—Science Hall Furnace</td>
<td>$12,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>West Virginia State College—Steam Plant Renovation</td>
<td>$225,000.00</td>
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<td>West Virginia State College—Science Hall Elevator</td>
<td>$40,000.00</td>
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18 West Virginia Board of Regents—Miscellaneous Small Projects ........................................... 500,000.00
19 Glenville State College—Additional amount Forest Technology Building .......................... 80,000.00
20 W. Va. Institute of Technology—Additional amount Library Building ............................. 400,000.00
21 W. Va. Institute of Technology—Additional amount Community Technical College Building .................................................. 350,000.00
22 Glenville State College—Heating Complex ........................................................................... 325,000.00
23 Glenville State College—Classroom Building ...................................................................... 2,100,000.00

The appropriation for items in lines 1 through 19 are to be paid on a cash basis and made available from date of passage and the costs of projects for items in lines 20 through 26 are to be paid for from additional federal grants, with appropriations for items in lines 27 and 28 being shown only for separation purposes, said items in lines 27 and 28 remaining in the same order of priority as reflected in the 1969 Budget Bill as Glenville State College, Classroom Building and Heating Complex.

The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from the nonrevolving Capital Improvement Fund, created by the 1959 Legislature, as amended.

Any unexpended balance remaining in this appropriation at the close of the fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1970-71.

It is intended that only complete and usable units or projects be constructed and/or equipped, and then only in the listed order of priority: Provided, however, That the amounts shown for each unit or project shall include in said amount matching-grant funds from governmental or nongovernmental sources: And provided further, That whenever the amount in the Capital Improvement Fund, including both cash collections and the proceeds of bond sale, shall be sufficient to cover all capital expenditures authorized above, then the listed projects shall be considered of equal priority and all of them, or any one or more, may be constructed as soon as plans can be prepared and contracts let therefor.
133—West Virginia University—Medical School
Acct. No. 873
TO BE PAID FROM MEDICAL SCHOOL FUND

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<tr>
<td>2 Current Expenses</td>
<td>3,517,077.00</td>
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<td>3 Repairs and Alterations</td>
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<td><strong>$14,500,000.00</strong></td>
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6 Special funds in excess of the amounts hereby appropriated may be made available by budget amendment upon request of the Board of Regents and approval of the Governor.

134—Workmen’s Compensation Commission
Acct. No. 900
TO BE PAID FROM WORKMEN’S COMPENSATION FUND

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<td>2 Current Expenses</td>
<td>362,258.00</td>
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<td>3 Equipment</td>
<td>22,516.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 Social Security Matching Fund</td>
<td>44,550.00</td>
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<td>5 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund</td>
<td>66,500.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,535,184.00</strong></td>
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7 There is hereby authorized to be paid out of the above appropriation for current expenses the amount necessary for the premiums on bonds given by the State Treasurer and bond custodian for the protection of the Workmen’s Compensation Fund. This sum shall be transferred to the Board of Insurance.

1 Sec. 3. Supplemental and Deficiency Appropriation.—From the State Fund, General Revenue, except as otherwise provided, there are hereby appropriated the following amounts, as itemized, for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy to supplement the 1969-70 appropriations, and to be available for expenditure upon date of passage.
135—West Virginia Housing Development Fund  
Acct. No. 122  
1 Total $ 35,000.00

136—Marshall University  
Acct. No. 320  
1 Personal Services $ 90,000.00  
2 Current Expenses $ 60,200.00  
3 Total $ 150,200.00  
4 Any unexpended balance remaining in the  
5 above appropriation at the close of the  
6 fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated  
7 for expenditure during the fiscal year  

137—Forestry Camp for Boys  
Acct. No. 371  
1 Capital Improvements $ 15,000.00

138—West Virginia Forestry Camp (Leckie)  
Acct. No. 373  
1 Personal Services $ 38,485.00  
2 Current Expenses $ 49,150.00  
3 Repairs and Alterations $ 3,100.00  
4 Equipment $ 59,755.00  
5 Total $ 150,490.00

139—Department of Commerce  
Acct. No. 465  
1 Independence Hall, Wheeling $ 200,000.00  
2 Any unexpended balance remaining in the  
3 above appropriation at the close of the  
4 fiscal year 1969-70 is hereby reappropriated  
5 for expenditure during the fiscal year  

140—Department of Natural Resources  
Acct. No. 565  
1 Personal Services $ 8,320.00  
2 Current Expenses $ 85,800.00
3 Repairs and Alterations ........................................... 6,130.00
4 Equipment ............................................................... 97,200.00
5 WIN Program ............................................................ 86,675.00
6 Total .................................................................. $284,125.00

7 Out of the above line items there shall be expended the sum of **$22,350.00 for the operation of North Bend Golf Course.

141—Department of Public Safety
Acct. No. 570

1 Current Expenses ......................................................... $85,824.00

Sec. 4. Awards for Claims Against the State.—From the funds designated there are hereby appropriated for the remainder of the fiscal year 1969-70 and to remain in effect until June 30, 1971, for payment of claims against the State, the following amounts as itemized.

Claims Versus the State Department of Highways
TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

1 Howard Arbogast ...................................................... $ 300.00
2 Allstate Plumbing Service ........................................... 1,200.00
3 Bates & Rogers Construction Co. ................................. 2,500.00
4 R. L. Beranak ............................................................. 149.51
5 Ray Bice ................................................................. 760.29
6 J. N. Callwell & A. M. Callwell, d/b/a Callwell’s Hardware 581.24
7 Michael & Evangeline Catsos ...................................... 101.41
8 Warren N. Conn ....................................................... 8.24
9 S. P. Davidson, H. H. Davidson, and A. L. Davidson, d/b/a Davidson Brothers 567.88
10 Fredrick Engineering Company .................................. 21,720.00
11 Carl W. and Ellen Grubbs ........................................ 159.59
12 Fred and Ruth Hendricks .......................................... 498.00
13 Johnson Welders Supply, Inc. .................................... 788.33
14 King’s Jewelry ........................................................ 437.24
15 The Kroger Company ................................................. 226.33
16 Gene R. Monk ......................................................... 69.79

*This appropriation was disapproved by the Governor, but was reinstated under the mandate of the Supreme Court of Appeals. See note on page 11.
19 Mountain State Construction Co. .......................... 53,966.95
20 Mountaineer Highway Abrasives, Inc. ..................... 16,976.28
21 Ralph Myers Contracting Corp. ............................. 33,979.32
22 S. J. Neathawk Lumber, Inc. ............................... 315.94
23 Creed Samples, Administrator of the Estate of Fonda Samples, Deceased .................. 11,065.49
25 Creed Samples ............................................. 699.84
26 Jo Ann Samples ........................................... 3,861.43
27 Leta Samples, a minor, who sues by her father and next friend Creed Samples ........ 1,250.00
29 Penny Samples, a minor, who sues by her father and next friend, Creed Samples ...... 5,434.00
31 Thomas Company .......................................... 18,956.23
32 John C. Varner, Administrator of the Estate of Julia M. Varner, Deceased ........... 8,201.30
34 R. C. Wetherall, Jr. and Paul Price ....................... 20,847.75
35 Lawrence H. Young, Jr. ..................................... 249.26

Claims Versus the State Board of Education
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 Shepherdstown Register, Inc. ................................. $ 922.50
2 Joe L. Smith, d/b/a Biggs-Johnson- ........................... 727.30

Claims Versus the Department of Welfare
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 Harlan Hall .................................................. $ 226.00

Claims Versus the Department of Mental Health
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 Allergy Rehabilitation Foundation, Inc. ................... $ 1,703.87
2 M. C. Hicks, Committee for Lucy K. Hicks ................ 201.00
3 Raymond Mathison ........................................... 247.50

Claims Versus the Board of Governors of West Virginia University
TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 City of Morgantown ........................................ $ 40,886.22
Appropriations

Claims Versus the West Virginia Vocational Rehabilitation Division

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 Drs. Heilman, Anderson and Abplanalp........ $ 116.50
2 Harmarville Rehabilitation Center.............. 411.00
3 Drs. Squire, Francke and Goodwin................. 134.50

Claims Versus the Adjutant General

TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND

1 John L. Rolfe, a subrogation assigned to ...........
2 Harleysville Insurance Co. ................... $ 275.67
3 Interstate Lumber Company .................... 2,011.00

Claims Versus the State Department of Education

TO BE PAID FROM WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE—STUDENT UNION CONSTRUCTION FUND

1 Hibbard, O’Conner & Weeks, Inc. .................. *$ 57,450.00

Claims Versus the Office of Federal-State Relations

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

1 William J. Twigger, d/b/a R. L. Swearer Co. $ 1,128.89

Claims Versus the Alcohol Beverage Control Commission

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

1 Joe L. Smith, d/b/a Biggs-Johnson- .............. $ 4,907.70
2 Withrow ........................................ 1,128.89

1 Sec. 5. Reappropriations.—The unexpended balance, if any, in Item 151, Section 5, of the 1967 Budget Act is hereby reappropriated for expenditure through June 30, 1971.

1 Sec. 6. Special Revenue Appropriations.—There is hereby appropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one appropriations made by general law from special revenue which are not paid into the state fund as general revenue under the provisions of Chapter 12, Article 2, Section 2, of the Code of

*This appropriation was disapproved by the Governor, but was reinstated under the mandate of the Supreme Court of Appeals. See note on page 11.
7 West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one:
8 Provided, however, That none of the moneys so appro-
9 priated by this section shall be available for expenditure
10 except in compliance with and in conformity to the pro-
11 visions of Chapter 12, Articles 2 and 3, and Chapter
12 5-A, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia, unless
13 the spending unit has filed with the state director of
14 the budget, the state auditor and the legislative auditor
15 prior to the beginning of each fiscal year:
16 (a) An estimate of the amount and sources of all reve-
17 nues accruing to such fund;
18 (b) A detailed expenditure schedule showing for what
19 purposes the fund is to be expended.

1 Sec. 7. Specific Funds and Collection Accounts.—A
2 fund or collection account, which by law is dedicated to a
3 specific use is hereby appropriated in sufficient amount to
4 meet all lawful demands upon the fund or collection ac-
5 count, and shall be expended according to the provisions of
6 Chapter 12, Article 3 of the Code of West Virginia.

1 Sec. 8. Appropriation for Refunding Erroneous Pay-
2 ments.—Money that has been erroneously paid into the
3 state treasury is hereby appropriated out of the fund into
4 which it was paid for refund to the proper person.
5 When the officer authorized by law to collect money for
6 the state finds that a sum has been erroneously paid, he
7 shall issue his requisition upon the auditor for the re-
8 funding of the proper amount. The auditor shall issue his
9 warrant to the treasurer and the treasurer shall pay the
10 warrant out of the fund into which the amount was origi-
11 nally paid.

1 Sec. 9. Sinking Fund Deficiencies.—There is hereby
2 appropriated to the Governor a sufficient amount to meet
3 a deficiency that may arise in the funds of the State Sink-
4 ing Fund Commission because of the failure of any state
5 agency for either general obligation or revenue bonds or
6 any local taxing district for general obligation bonds to
7 remit funds necessary for the payment of interest and
8 sinking fund requirements. The Governor is authorized to
9 transfer from time to time such amounts to the State Sink-
The State Sinking Fund Commission shall reimburse the State of West Virginia through the Governor from the first remittance collected from any state agency or local taxing district for which the Governor advanced funds, with interest at the rate carried by the bonds for which the advance was made.

Sec. 10. Appropriations from Taxes and License Fees.—There is hereby appropriated from the soft drink tax revenues for administration and enforcement of the law relating to said tax, a sum not to exceed two and one-half percent of the total revenues collected. All such salaries and expenses, authorized by law as aforesaid, shall be paid by the Tax Commissioner through the state treasury out of gross collections.

Sec. 11. Appropriations to Pay Costs of Publication of Delinquent Corporations.—There is hereby appropriated out of the state fund, general revenue, out of funds not otherwise appropriated to be paid upon requisition of the auditor and/or the Governor, as the case may be, a sum sufficient to pay the cost of publication of delinquent corporations as provided by Chapter 11, Article 12, Sections 75 and 77 of the Code of West Virginia.

Sec. 12. Appropriations for Local Governments.—There is hereby appropriated for payment to counties, districts, and municipal corporations such amounts as will be necessary to pay taxes due county, district, and municipal corporations and which have been paid into the treasury:

(a) For the redemption of lands;
(b) By public service corporations;
(c) For tax forfeitures.

Sec. 13. Total Appropriations.—Where only a total sum is appropriated to a spending unit, that total sum shall include personal services, current expenses, and capital outlay, except as otherwise provided in Title I, Section 3.

Sec. 14. General School Fund.—The balance of the proceeds of the general school fund remaining after the payment of the appropriations made by this act is appro-
4 appropriated for expenditure in accordance with Chapter 18, 
5 Article 9, Section 6 of the Code of West Virginia.

TITLE 3. ADMINISTRATION.

§1. Appropriations conditional.
§2. Constitutionality.

1 Section 1. Appropriations Conditional.—The expendi-
2 ture of the appropriations made by this act, except those 
3 appropriations made to the legislative and judicial 
4 branches of the state government, are conditioned upon 
5 the compliance by the spending unit with the require-
6 ments of Chapter 5-A, Article 2 of the Code of West 
7 Virginia.
8 Where former spending units have been absorbed by or 
9 combined with other spending units by acts of this Legisla-
10 ture, it is the intent of this act that reappropriation shall 
11 be to the succeeding or later spending unit created unless 
12 otherwise indicated.

1 Sec. 2. Constitutionality.—If any part of this act is 
2 declared unconstitutional by a court of competent juris-
3 diction, its decision shall not affect any portion of this act 
4 which remains, but the remaining portion shall be in full 
5 force and effect as if the portion declared unconstitutional 
6 had never been a part of the act.

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CHAPTER 6
(House Bill No. 733—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections nine and fourteen, 
article three, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, 
one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, re-
1ating to the maximum rate of interest on and the net 
interest cost of revenue bonds issued by county courts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections nine and fourteen, article three, chapter seven 
of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. COUNTY PROPERTY.

§7-3-9. Form and payment of bonds; use of proceeds of bonds.

§7-3-14. Authority to acquire and operate hospitals, clinics, long-term care facilities and other related facilities; financing.

§7-3-9. Form and payment of bonds; use of proceeds of bonds.

1 Any county court issuing revenue bonds under the provisions of this article shall thereafter, so long as any such bonds remain outstanding, operate and maintain said courthouse, hospital, other public buildings, or jail, to provide revenues sufficient to pay all operating costs, provide a sinking fund for, and to retire such bonds and pay the interest thereon as the same may become due. The amounts, as and when so set apart by said county court, shall be remitted to the state sinking fund commission at least thirty days previous to the time interest or principal payments become due, to be retained and paid out by said commission consistent with the provisions of this article and with the order pursuant to which such bonds have been issued. The state sinking fund commission is hereby authorized to act as fiscal agent for the administration of such sinking fund under any order passed pursuant to the provisions of this article, and shall invest all sinking funds, as provided by general law. Revenue bonds issued under the provisions of this article are hereby declared to be and to have all the qualities of negotiable instruments. Such bonds shall bear interest at not more than seven percent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature at any time fixed by the county court, in not more than thirty years from their date. Such bonds shall be sold at a price not lower than a price which, when computed upon standard tables of bond values, will show a net return of not more than eight percent per annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor. Such bonds may be made redeemable at the option of the county court at such price and under terms and conditions as said court may fix, by its order, prior to the issuance of such bonds. Revenue
bonds issued hereunder shall be payable at the office of the
state treasurer, or some bank in the city of New York.

In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on
such bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officers be-
fore the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall,
nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes the
same as if they had remained in office until such delivery.

The county court shall by order entered prior to the issu-
ance of said bonds, fix the denominations, times and places
of payment of such bonds, the principal and interest of
which shall be payable in lawful money of the United
States of America. The proceeds of such bonds shall be
used solely for the payment of the cost of land, buildings,
furniture and equipment thereon, and shall be checked
out by the county court under such restrictions as are con-
tained in the order providing for the issuance of said bonds.

If the proceeds of such bonds issued for any courthouse,
hospital, other public buildings, or jail, shall exceed the
cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid into the fund herein
provided for the payment of principal and interest upon
such bonds. Such fund may be used for the purchase or re-
demption of any of the outstanding bonds payable from
such fund at the market price, but at not exceeding the
price at which any of such bonds shall in the same
year be redeemable, as fixed by the court in its said
order, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall forth-
with be canceled, and shall not again be issued.

Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the county
court may, under like restrictions, issue temporary bonds,
or interim certificates, with or without coupons, ex-
changeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the
latter. Such bonds may be issued without any other
proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or
things than those proceedings, conditions and things
which are specified and required by this article.

§7-3-14. Authority to acquire and operate hospitals, clinics,
long-term care facilities and other related facilities;
financing.

The county court of any county is hereby authorized
and empowered to acquire by purchase or construction
and to thereafter own, equip, furnish, operate, lease, improve and extend a public hospital, clinic, long-term care facility and other related facilities, with all appurtenances, including the necessary real estate as a site therefor. Any such county public hospital acquired pursuant hereto may include a nurses home and nurses training school. The county court is further authorized and empowered, upon acquiring a hospital, clinic, long-term care facility or other related facility, to lease to others any or all such facilities for such rentals and upon such terms and conditions as the county court may deem advisable. For the purpose of paying all or any part of the costs, not otherwise provided, of acquiring, completing, equipping, furnishing, improving or extending such hospital, clinic, long-term care facility or other related facility, the county court is hereby authorized and empowered by order duly entered of record, to issue and sell the negotiable revenue bonds of such county, which shall be payable solely and only from all or such part of the net revenues from the operation of such county public hospital, clinic, long-term care facility or other related facility as may be provided by said order; and each such revenue bond so issued shall contain a recital that payment or redemption of the bond and payment of the interest thereon is secured by the revenues pledged therefor, and that such bond does not constitute an indebtedness of such county or the county court thereof within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation or provision. Such revenue bonds may bear such date or dates, may mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty-four years from their respective dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding seven percent per annum, may be of such denomination or denominations, may be in such form, may carry such registration privileges, may be made subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium, and may contain such other terms and covenants not inconsistent with this article as may be provided in such order. Such revenue bonds shall be exempt from taxation by the state of West Virginia and the other taxing bodies of the state. In determining the amount of revenue bonds
to be issued, there may be included any expenses in connection with and incidental to the issuance and sale of bonds and for the preparation of plans, specifications, surveys and estimates, interest during the estimated construction period and for six months thereafter, and a reasonable amount for working capital and prepaid insurance. Such bonds may be sold in such manner, at such times and upon such terms as may be determined by the county court to be for the best interests of the county: Provided, That no bonds may be sold upon terms which will result in the net interest cost of more than eight percent per annum computed to maturity of the bonds according to standard tables of bond values. There may be included in any such order authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds such covenants, stipulations and conditions as may be deemed necessary with respect to the expenditure of the bond proceeds, the operation and maintenance of the county public hospital, clinic, long-term care facility or other related facility, and the custody and application of the revenues from such operation. The holder of any bond or bonds may, by mandamus or other appropriate proceedings, require and compel performance of any duties imposed by law in connection with the hospital, clinic, long-term care facility or other related facility, or any covenant, stipulation or condition that may have been expressed in such bond order.

CHAPTER 7

(Senate Bill No. 15—By Mr. Poffenbarger)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twelve, article sixteen; section fourteen, article eighteen; sections four and six, article nineteen; and section five, article twenty, all of chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, all relating to the
revenue bond financing of municipal public works; increasing the allowable rate of interest thereon; the issuance of such bonds; the estimate of cost and debt service for such bonds; the amount, negotiability and execution of such bonds; and the refund of outstanding obligations or securities by sale or exchange of such bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twelve, article sixteen; section fourteen, article eighteen; sections four and six, article nineteen; and section five, article twenty, all of chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 16. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS; REVENUE BOND FINANCING.

§8-16-12. Interest rate and life of bonds; redemption; how payable; form, denominations, etc.; additional bonds authorized; interim certificates.

1 Such revenue bonds shall bear interest at not more than eight percent per annum, payable semiannually, or at shorter intervals, and shall mature at such time or times, not exceeding forty years, as may be determined by the ordinance or ordinances authorizing the issuance of such bonds. Such bonds may be made redeemable before maturity, at the option of the municipality or municipalities issuing the same, to be exercised by said board, at not more than the par value thereof, and at a premium of not more than five percent, under such terms and conditions as may be fixed by the ordinance or ordinances authorizing the issuance of the bonds. The principal and interest of the bonds may be made payable in any lawful medium. Such ordinance or ordinances shall determine the form of the bonds, including the interest coupons to be attached thereto, and shall fix the denomination or denominations of such bonds,
and the place or places of the payment of the principal
and interest thereof, which may be at any banking in-
stitution or trust company within or without the state.
When two or more municipalities take joint action under
the provisions of this article, the bonds shall be issued
by the participating municipalities either as separate
or joint bonds, as the governing bodies thereof may
agree, and when separate bonds are issued, the amount
of the bonds to be issued by each participating munici-
pality shall be fixed by agreement of the governing
bodies of the participating municipalities set forth in
the ordinance of each participating municipality au-
thorizing the issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall
contain a statement on their face that the municipality
or municipalities issuing the same shall not be obligated
to pay the same, or the interest thereon, except from the
special fund derived from the net revenue of the works,
or the pro rata part thereof, as provided for in section
eleven hereof. All such bonds shall be, and shall have
and are hereby declared to have all the qualities and
incidents of negotiable instruments, under the Uniform
Commercial Code of this state. Provision may be made
for the registration of any of the bonds in the name of
the owner as to principal alone; but bonds shall be
executed in such manner as the governing body or bodies
may direct. The bonds shall be sold by the governing
body or bodies in such manner as may be determined
to be for the best interest of the municipality or munici-
palities: Provided, That said bonds shall not be negoti-
ated at a price lower than a price which when computed
to maturity upon standard tables of bond values will
show a net return of more than eight percent per annum
to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor. Any
surplus of the bond proceeds over and above the cost
of the project shall be paid into the sinking fund herein-
after provided for. If the proceeds of the bonds, by
error of calculation or otherwise, shall be less than the
cost of the project, additional bonds may in like manner
be issued to provide the amount of such deficit, and,
unless otherwise provided in the ordinance or ordinances
authorizing the issuance of the bonds first issued, or
in the trust indenture hereinafter authorized, shall be
debted to be of same issue, and shall be entitled to
payment without preference or priority of the bonds
first issued; and if any preference or priority of the
bonds first issued is provided for in the ordinance or
ordinances authorizing the issuance of the bonds first
issued or in said trust indenture, such preference or
priority shall not extend to an amount exceeding ten
percent of the original issue. Prior to the preparation
of the definitive bonds, interim certificates may, under
like restrictions, be issued with or without coupons ex-
changeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the
latter.

ARTICLE 18. ASSESSMENTS TO IMPROVE STREETS, SIDE-
WALKS AND SEWERS; SEWER CONNECTIONS
AND BOARD OF HEALTH.


1 Every municipality is hereby empowered and autho-
2 rized to issue its bonds for any improvements under the
3 provisions of this article in anticipation of special assess-
4 ments to be made upon the property abutting upon the
5 streets, alleys, public ways or easements, or sewer rights-
6 of-way or easements, so improved, and such bonds may
7 be in such an amount as will be sufficient to pay the
8 entire estimated cost and expense of such improvements
9 for which such special assessments are levied. Such
10 municipality is also authorized to sell such bonds, but the
11 price for which they are sold shall not be below the par
12 value of such bonds. Such bonds shall be payable in not
13 to exceed ten years from the date of the issuance thereof,
14 and shall bear interest at not to exceed eight percent per
15 annum, payable annually; and in the issuance and sale of
16 such bonds, the municipality shall be governed by all the
17 restrictions and limitations of the constitution of this state,
18 and by the restrictions and limitations of the statutes
19 of this state with respect to the issuance and sale of other
20 bonds, so far as they are not in conflict with the pro-
21 visions of this article; and the assessments shall be col-
22 lected as provided in sections ten and twelve of this
23 article, and as paid and collected shall be applied to the
liquidation of such bonds and the interest thereon; and if by reason of penalties collected with delinquent assessments there be any balance after the payment of such bonds and all accrued interest and cost, such balance shall be turned into the municipal treasury to the credit of the interest and sinking fund of the municipality: Provided, That no such municipality shall by sale or issuance of such bonds cause the aggregate of its indebtedness of every kind whatsoever to exceed five percent of the value of taxable property therein: Provided, however, That nothing herein contained shall be construed as authorizing any such municipality to become indebted in any other manner or for any other purpose, to an amount, including its existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding two and one-half percent of the value of the taxable property therein, as provided in section three, article one, chapter thirteen of this code, except for the purpose of grading, regrading, paving, repaving, surfacing, resurfacing, curbing, recurling, building or renewing sidewalks, or constructing sewers or otherwise improving or reimproving the streets, alleys, public ways or easements, or sewer rights-of-way or easements, of such municipality, as provided for in this article; nor shall such municipality make such issuance and sale without at the same time providing for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay annually the interest on such debt and the principal thereof within and not exceeding ten years. All of the assessments, interest and penalties collected from the abutting property owners on account of the grading, regrading, paving, repaving, surfacing, resurfacing, curbing, recurling, building or renewing sidewalks, or constructing sewers or otherwise improving or re-improving the streets, alleys, public ways or easements, or sewer rights-of-way or easements, of any such municipality, under the provisions of this article, shall annually be applied to the annual tax required to pay the interest on such debt and such principal within and not exceeding ten years; and in the event that the assessments, interest and penalties so collected do not amount to a sum sufficient to pay annually the interest on such debt and the principal thereof within and not exceeding
ten years, then the governing body of such municipality shall collect so much of such levy as will pay annually the interest on such debt and the principal thereof within and not exceeding ten years.

ARTICLE 19. MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS SYSTEMS.

§8-19-4. Estimate of cost; ordinance for issuance of revenue bonds; interest on bonds; rates for services.

§8-19-6. Amount, negotiability and execution of bonds.

§8-19-4. Estimate of cost; ordinance for issuance of revenue bonds; interest on bonds; rates for services.

Whenever a municipality shall, under the provisions of this article, determine to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, construct, establish, extend or equip a waterworks system, it shall cause an estimate to be made of the cost thereof, and shall, by ordinance, provide for the issuance of revenue bonds under the provisions of this article, which ordinance shall set forth a brief description of the contemplated undertaking, the estimated cost thereof, the amount, rate or rates of interest, the time and place of payment, and other details in connection with the issuance of the bonds. Such bonds shall be in such form and shall be negotiated in such manner and upon such terms as the governing body of such municipality may by ordinance specify. All such bonds and the interest thereon, and all properties and revenues and income derived from such waterworks system, shall be exempt from all taxation by this state, or any county, municipality, political subdivision or agency thereof. Such bonds shall bear interest at not more than eight percent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall be payable at such times, not exceeding forty years from their date, and at such place or places, within or without the state, as shall be prescribed in the ordinance providing for their issuance. Such ordinance shall also declare that a statutory mortgage lien shall exist upon the property so to be acquired, constructed, established, extended or equipped, fix minimum rates or charges for water to be collected prior to the payment of all of said bonds and shall pledge the revenues derived from the waterworks system for the purpose of paying such bonds and interest thereon, which pledge shall defi-
31 nitely fix and determine the amount of revenues which
32 shall be necessary to be set apart and applied to the pay-
33 ment of the principal of and interest upon the bonds and
34 the proportion of the balance of such revenues which are
35 to be set aside as a proper and adequate depreciation ac-
36 count, and the remainder shall be set aside for the reason-
37 able and proper maintenance and operation thereof. The
38 rates or charges to be charged for the services from such
39 waterworks system shall be sufficient at all times to pro-
40 vide for the payment of interest upon all bonds and to
41 create a sinking fund to pay the principal thereof as and
42 when the same become due, and reasonable reserves there-
43 for, and to provide for the repair, maintenance and opera-
44 tion of the waterworks system, and to provide an adequate
45 depreciation fund, and to make any other payments which
46 shall be required or provided for in the ordinance autho-
47 rizing the issuance of said bonds.

§8-19-6. Amount, negotiability and execution of bonds.
1 Bonds herein provided for shall be issued in such
2 amounts as may be necessary to provide sufficient funds to
3 pay all costs of acquisition, construction, establishment,
4 extension or equipment, including engineering, legal and
5 other expenses, together with interest to a date six months
6 subsequent to the estimated date of completion. Bonds
7 issued under the provisions of this article are hereby de-
8clared to be negotiable instruments, and the same shall be
9 executed by the proper legally constituted authorities of
10 the municipality and be sealed with the corporate seal of
11 the municipality, and in case any of the officers whose
12 signatures appear on the bonds or coupons shall cease to
13 be such officers before delivery of such bonds, such signa-
14tures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all
15 purposes the same as if they had remained in office until
16 such delivery. All signatures on the bonds or coupons and
17 the corporate seal may be mechanically reproduced if
18 authorized in the ordinance authorizing the issuance of
19 the bonds. Said bonds shall not be negotiated at a price
20 lower than a price which when computed to maturity up-
21 on standard tables of bond values will show a net return
22 of more than eight percent per annum to the purchaser
23 upon the amount paid therefor.
ARTICLE 20. COMBINED WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEMS.

§8-20-5. Amount, negotiability and execution of bonds; refund of outstanding obligations or securities by sale or exchange of bonds.

1 For the purpose of defraying the cost of acquisition, construction, establishment or equipment of any such waterworks or sewerage system, or a combined waterworks and sewerage system, and for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing any extensions, additions, betterments or improvements to either the waterworks or sewerage system of said combined waterworks and sewerage system, or both, any such municipality may issue revenue bonds under the provisions of this article.

2 All such bonds may be authorized, issued and sold pursuant to ordinance in installments at different times or an entire issue or series may be sold at one time. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed eight percent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature within the period of usefulness of the project involved, to be determined by the governing body and in any event within a period of not more than forty years.

3 Such bonds may be in such denomination or denominations, may be in such form, either coupon or registered, may carry such registration and conversion privileges, may be executed in such manner, may be payable in such medium of payment, at such place or places, may be subject to such terms of redemption, with or without a premium, may be declared to become due before the maturity date thereof, may provide for the replacement of mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost bonds, may be authenticated in such manner and upon compliance with such conditions, and may contain such other terms and covenants, as may be provided by ordinance of the governing body of the municipality. Notwithstanding the form or tenor thereof, and in the absence of an express recital on the face thereof that the bond is nonnegotiable, all such bonds shall at all times be, and shall be treated as, negotiable instruments for all purposes. Said bonds and the interest thereon, together with all properties and facilities of said
municipality owned or used in connection with said combined waterworks or sewerage system, and all the moneys, revenues and other income of such municipality derived from such combined waterworks and sewerage system shall be exempt from all taxation by this state or any county, municipality, political subdivision or agency thereof. Such bonds may be sold in such manner as the governing body shall determine and if issued to bear interest at the rate of eight percent per annum shall be sold for not less than par and accrued interest. If any such bonds shall be issued to bear interest at a rate of less than eight percent per annum, the minimum price at which they may be sold shall be such that the interest cost to such municipality of the proceeds of such bonds shall not exceed eight percent per annum computed to maturity according to the standard table of bond values: Provided, That if the governing body of the municipality determines to sell any revenue bonds of such combined waterworks and sewerage system for refunding purposes, such bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and the proceeds deposited at the place of payment of the bonds, obligations or securities being refunded thereby. In case any officer whose signature appears on such bonds or coupons attached thereto shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the bonds to the purchaser, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, with the same effect as if he had remained in office until the delivery of the bonds. All signatures on the bonds or coupons and the corporate seal may be mechanically reproduced if authorized in the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds. Such bonds shall have all the qualities of negotiable instruments under the law of this state.

Whenever a waterworks and sewerage system is included in a combined waterworks and sewerage system under the provisions of this article and there are unpaid and outstanding revenue bonds or any other obligations or securities previously issued which are payable solely from the revenues of such waterworks or such sewerage system or any part thereof, such outstanding
bonds, obligations or securities may be refunded by the issuance and sale or exchange therefor of revenue bonds to be issued under the provisions of this article. Whenever any outstanding bonds, obligations or securities previously issued which are payable solely from the revenues of any waterworks or sewerage system included in a combined waterworks and sewerage system under the provisions of this article are refunded and the refunding is to be accomplished by exchange, such outstanding bonds, obligations or securities shall be surrendered and exchanged for revenue bonds of such combined waterworks and sewerage system of a total principal amount which shall not be more and may be less than the principal amount of the bonds, obligations or securities surrendered and exchanged plus the interest to accrue thereon to the date of surrender and exchange, and if the refunding is to be accomplished through the sale of revenue bonds of such combined waterworks and sewerage system the total principal amount of such revenue bonds which may be sold for refunding purposes shall not exceed the principal amount of the bonds, obligations or securities being refunded plus the interest to accrue thereon to the retirement date or the next succeeding interest payment date, whichever date may be earlier. Provision may be made that each bond to be exchanged for refunding bonds shall be kept intact and shall not be canceled or destroyed until the refunding bonds, and interest thereon, have been finally paid and discharged; but each such bond shall be stamped with a legend to the effect that the same has been refunded pursuant to the provisions of this article.

CHAPTER 8
(House Bill No. 647—By Mr. Seibert)
[Passeed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section fourteen, article twenty-seven, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, pertaining to maximum interest on revenue bonds issued to finance urban mass transportation systems.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fourteen, article twenty-seven, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 27. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS—URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS.


1 The authority is hereby empowered and authorized to provide by resolution, from time to time, for the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving a system or systems, or any part thereof, or the facilities and equipment therefor, as the case may be, or for any other purpose or project authorized by the provisions of this article. The purposes for which revenue bonds may be issued may include the payment of all costs and estimated costs incidental to or connected with the accomplishment of such purpose or project including, without limitation, engineering, inspection and legal fees, the fees of fiscal agents and financial consultants and other fees, bond and other reserve funds, working capital, bond interest estimated to accrue during the construction period and for a period not to exceed two years thereafter, and expenses of all proceedings for the authorization, issuance and sale of the bonds.

20 The bonds of each issue shall be dated, shall bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding seven per centum per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their date or dates, as may be determined by the authority, and may be made redeemable before maturity, at the option of the authority, at such price or prices and under such terms and conditions as may be fixed by the
authority prior to the issuance of the bonds. The authority shall determine the form of the bonds, including any interest coupons to be attached thereto, and shall fix the denomination or denominations of the bonds and the place or places of payment of the principal and interest, which may be at any banking institution or trust company within or without the state. The bonds shall be signed by the president of the authority or shall bear his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the authority, or a facsimile thereof, shall be impressed or imprinted thereupon and attested by the secretary of the authority, and any coupons attached to the bonds shall bear the facsimile signature of the president of the authority. All such signatures, countersignatures and seal may be printed, lithographed or mechanically reproduced, except that one of such signatures or countersignatures on the bonds shall be manually affixed, unless the resolution authorizing the issuance of such bonds shall otherwise provide. If any officer whose signature or countersignature or a facsimile of whose signature or countersignature appears on bonds or coupons ceases to be such officer before the delivery of the bonds, his signature shall be as effective as if he had remained in office until such delivery. The bonds may be issued in coupon or in registered form, or both, as each authority may determine and provision may be made for the registration of any coupon bonds as to principal alone, and also as to both principal and interest, for the reconversion into coupon bonds of any bonds registered as to both principal and interest, and for the interchange of registered and coupon bonds. Notwithstanding the form or tenor thereof, and in the absence of any express recital on the face thereof that the bond is nonnegotiable, all such bonds shall be, and shall be treated as, negotiable instruments for all purposes except when registered in the name of a registered owner.

The authority may exchange its bonds, in whole or in part, for any system or systems, or any parts thereof, or facilities and equipment therefor, or may sell its bonds, in whole or in part, in such manner either at
public or private sale and for such price as it may determine will best effect the purposes of this article and be for the best interest of the authority: Provided, That if the bonds be issued the minimum price for which they may be exchanged or at which they may be sold shall be such that the interest cost to the authority of the proceeds of the bonds shall not exceed eight percent per annum computed to maturity according to the standard table of bond values and the interest rate or rates shall not exceed eight percent per annum.

Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the authority may, under like restrictions, issue interim receipts or temporary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds when such bonds shall have been executed and are available for delivery. The authority may also provide for the replacement of any bonds which shall become mutilated or shall be destroyed or lost.

The authority is hereby empowered and authorized to provide by resolution, from time to time, for the issuance, sale or exchange of revenue refunding bonds of such authority for the purpose of refunding any bonds then outstanding which shall have been issued under the provisions of this article, including the payment of any redemption premium thereon, and any interest accrued or to accrue to the date of redemption of such bonds, and the payment of all expenses incidental thereto. The authority is further empowered and authorized to provide by resolution, from time to time, for the issuance, sale or exchange of revenue bonds of such authority for the combined purpose of refunding any bonds then outstanding, as herein provided, and paying all or any part of the cost of any additional project or projects. All provisions of this article applicable to the issuance of revenue bonds are applicable to the issuance of refunding bonds and to the sale or exchange thereof.
CHAPTER 9

(Senate Bill No. 158—By Mr. Carrigan and Mr. Crawford)

[Passed February 3, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section fourteen, article one, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to bond issues for original indebtedness of political subdivisions of the state of West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fourteen, article one, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. BOND ISSUES FOR ORIGINAL INDEBTEDNESS.


1 If three fifths of all the votes cast for and against the proposition to incur debt and issue negotiable bonds shall be in favor of the same, the governing body of the political division shall, by resolution, authorize the issuance of such bonds in an amount not exceeding the amount stated in the proposition; fix the date thereof; set forth the denominations in which they shall be issued, which denominations shall be one hundred dollars or multiples thereof; determine the rate of interest which the bonds shall bear, which rate of interest shall be within the maximum rate stated in the proposition submitted to vote and payable semiannually, and shall in no case exceed eight percent per annum; prescribe the medium with which the bonds shall be payable; require that the bonds shall be made payable at the office of the state treasurer and at such other place or places as the body issuing the same may designate; provide for a sufficient levy to pay the annual interest on the bonds and the principal at maturity; fix the times within the maximum period, as contained in the proposition submitted to vote, when the bonds shall become payable, which shall not exceed thirty-four years from the date thereof; and prescribe a form for executing the bonds authorized.
AN ACT to amend and reenact section five, article two-a, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the interest rate and form of refunding bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five, article two-a, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2A. REVENUE BOND REFINANCING.
§13-2A-5. Form of bonds; interest rates; negotiability.
1 The refunding bonds may be issued in one or more
2 series, may bear such date or dates, may mature at
3 such time or times not exceeding the period of usefulness
4 of the enterprise, as determined by the governing body
5 in its discretion, not in any event exceeding forty years
6 from their respective dates; may bear interest at such
7 rate or rates not exceeding the maximum rate of interest
8 borne by the notes, bonds, or other obligations refinanced
9 thereby; may be in such denomination or denominations,
10 may be in such form either coupon or registered, may
11 carry such registration and conversion privileges, may be
12 executed in such manner, may be payable in such medium
13 of payment, at such place or places, may be subject to
14 such terms of redemption, with or without a premium,
15 may be declared or become due before the maturity
16 date thereof, may provide for the replacement of mutilated,
17 destroyed, stolen, or lost bonds, may be authenticated in
18 such manner and upon compliance with such
19 conditions; and may contain such other terms and covenants,
20 as may be provided by resolution or resolutions
21 of the governing body of the public body: Provided, That
22 if the refinancing is for the sole purpose of discharging
23 at less than their face or par value all of the outstanding
24 notes, bonds or other obligations of a Class I or Class II
city, as defined in chapter eight of this code, and such
notes, bonds or other obligations are to be refinanced,
then such refunding bonds may bear interest at any rate
or rates, not exceeding eight percent per annum, which
results in a total interest cost of not more than the total
amount of interest, including interest then in arrears,
that would have been payable from the date of such
refinancing to maturity of the notes, bonds or other
obligations so refinanced.

Notwithstanding the form or tenor thereof, and in the
absence of an express recital on the face thereof that
the bond is nonnegotiable, all refunding bonds shall at
all times be, and shall be treated as, negotiable instru-
ments for all purposes.

CHAPTER 11
(Senate Bill No. 16—By Mr. Poffenbarger)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, article thirteen; and
section thirteen, article thirteen-a, all of chapter sixteen of
the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, all relating to the establishment
of maximum rate of interest of eight percent for revenue
bonds sold by municipal corporations and sanitary districts
for water, sewerage works and sewage disposal.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten, article thirteen; and section thirteen, article
thirteen-a, all of chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia,
one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amend-
ed and reenacted to read as follows:

Article

13. Sewage Works of Municipal Corporations and Sanitary Dis-

13A. Public Service Districts for Water and Sewerage Services.

ARTICLE 13. SEWAGE WORKS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS
AND SANITARY DISTRICTS.
§16-13-10. Interest on and redemption of bonds; form; statement on face of bond; negotiability; exemption from taxation; registration; execution; sale; disposition of surplus proceeds; additional and temporary bonds.

1. Such revenue bonds shall bear interest at not more than eight percent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature at such time or times as may be determined by ordinance. Such bonds may be made redeemable before maturity at the option of the municipality, to be exercised by said board, at not more than the par value thereof and a premium of five percent, under such terms and conditions as may be fixed by the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds. The principal and interest of the bonds may be made payable in any lawful medium. Said ordinance shall determine the form of the bonds, including the interest coupons to be attached thereto, and shall fix the denomination or denominations of such bonds and the place or places of payment of the principal and interest thereof, which may be at any bank or trust company within or without the state. The bonds shall contain a statement on their face that the municipality shall not be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon except from the special fund provided from the net revenues of the works. All such bonds shall be, and shall have and are hereby declared to have all the qualities and incidents of, negotiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code of the state. Said bonds shall be exempt from all taxation, state, county and municipal. Provisions may be made for the registration of any of the bonds in the name of the owner as to principal alone. Such bonds shall be executed by the proper legally constituted authorities of the municipality and be sealed with the corporate seal of the municipality, and in case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officers, before delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if they had remained in office until such delivery. Such bonds shall be sold at a price not lower than a price, which when computed upon standard tables of bond values, will show a net return of not more than
nine per centum per annum to the purchaser upon the 
amount paid therefor and the proceeds derived therefrom
shall be used exclusively for the purposes for which said
bonds are issued and same may be sold at one time or in
parcels as funds are needed. Any surplus of bond proceeds
over and above the cost of the works shall be paid into the
sinking fund hereinafter provided. If the proceeds of the
bonds, by error of calculation or otherwise, shall be less
than the cost of the works, additional bonds may in like
manner be issued to provide the amount of such deficit
and, unless otherwise provided in said ordinance authoriz-
ing the issuance of the bonds first issued or in the trust
indenture hereinafter authorized, shall be deemed to be
of the same issue and shall be entitled to payment without
preference or priority of the bonds first issued. Prior to
the preparation of the definitive bonds, temporary bonds
may under like restrictions be issued with or without
coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon the is-

ARTICLE 13A. PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICTS FOR WATER AND
SEWERAGE SERVICES.


1 For constructing or acquiring any public service
properties for the authorized purposes of the district, or
necessary or incidental thereto, and for constructing im-
provements and extensions thereto, and also for reimburs-
ing or paying the costs and expenses of creating the dis-

trict, the board of any such district is hereby authorized to
borrow money from time to time and in evidence thereof
issue the bonds of such district, payable solely from the
revenues derived from the operation of the public service
properties under control of the district. Such bonds may
be issued in one or more series, may bear such date or
dates, may mature at such time or times not exceeding
forty years from their respective dates, may bear interest

*Clerk's note: This section was also amended and reenacted by
Chapter 12 (H. B. No. 510), Acts of this Session. The only difference
in the section as amended by the two acts is in the maximum interest
rate such bonds may bear. This act provides for eight percent and
Chapter 12 provides for seven percent. Both of these acts were passed
on March 12, 1970, to take effect from passage, and they were both
approved by the Governor on March 16, 1970. See line 14, Section 13A
of this act and line 15 of Chapter 12.
at such rate or rates not exceeding eight percent per annum payable semiannually, may be in such form, may carry such registration privileges, may be executed in such manner, may be payable at such place or places, may be subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium, may be declared or become due before maturity date thereof, may be authenticated in any manner, and upon compliance with such conditions, and may contain such terms and covenants as may be provided by resolution or resolutions of the board. Notwithstanding the form or tenor thereof, and in the absence of any express recital on the face thereof, that the bond is nonnegotiable, all such bonds shall be, and shall be treated as, negotiable instruments for all purposes. Bonds bearing the signatures of officers in office on the date of the signing thereof shall be valid and binding for all purposes notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof any or all of the persons whose signatures appear thereon shall have ceased to be such officers. Notwithstanding the requirements or provisions of any other law, any such bonds may be negotiated or sold in such manner and at such time or times as is found by the board to be most advantageous, and all such bonds may be sold at such price that the interest cost of the proceeds therefrom does not exceed eight percent per annum, based on the average maturity of such bonds and computed according to standard tables of bond values. Any resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of such bonds may contain such covenants and restrictions upon the issuance of additional bonds thereafter as may be deemed necessary or advisable for the assurance of the payment of the bonds thereby authorized.

CHAPTER 12

(House Bill No. 510—By Mr. McManus and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirteen, article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to revenue bonds issued by public service districts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirteen, article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 13A. PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICTS FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES.


1 For constructing or acquiring any public service properties for the authorized purposes of the district, or necessary or incidental thereto, and for constructing improvements and extensions thereto, and also for reimbursing or paying the costs and expenses of creating the district, the board of any such district is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time and in evidence thereof issue the bonds of such district, payable solely from the revenues derived from the operation of the public service properties under control of the district. Such bonds may be issued in one or more series, may bear such date or dates, may mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their respective dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding seven percent per annum payable semiannually, may be in such form, may carry such registration privileges, may be executed in such manner, may be payable at such place or places, may be subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium, may be declared or become due before maturity date thereof, may be authenticated in any manner, and upon compliance with such conditions, and may contain such terms and covenants as may be provided by resolution or resolutions of the board. Notwithstanding the form or tenor thereof, and in the absence of any express recital on the face thereof, that the bond is nonnegotiable, all such bonds shall be, and shall be treated as, negotiable instruments for all purposes. Bonds bearing the signatures of officers in office on the date of the signing thereof shall be valid and binding for all pur-
poses notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof
any or all of the persons whose signatures appear thereon
shall have ceased to be such officers. Notwithstanding
the requirements or provisions of any other law, any
such bonds may be negotiated or sold in such manner
and at such time or times as is found by the board to
be most advantageous, and all such bonds may be sold
at such price that the interest cost of the proceeds there-
from does not exceed eight percent per annum, based on
the average maturity of such bonds and computed accord-
ing to standard tables of bond values. Any resolution or
resolutions providing for the issuance of such bonds may
contain such covenants and restrictions upon the issu-
ance of additional bonds thereafter as may be deemed
necessary or advisable for the assurance of the payment
of the bonds thereby authorized.

CHAPTER 13

(House Bill No. 658—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-five, article
eleven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia,
one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, re-
lying to West Virginia University generally and the
acquisition, construction, financing and regulation of park-
ing facilities and penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-five, article eleven, chapter eighteen
of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as
follows:

ARTICLE 11. WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

§18-11-25. Acquisition, construction, financing and regulation
of parking facilities; penalties.

1 The board of regents is hereby authorized to construct,
2 maintain and operate automobile parking facilities on
the campus or other areas under its jurisdiction for use
by students, faculty, staff and visitors. Such facilities
shall be open to use on such terms and subject to such
reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed
by the board, which rules and regulations shall have
the force and effect of law. A summary of the rules
and regulations pertaining to parking and the penalties
which may be imposed for any violation thereof shall
be posted conspicuously in each parking area.

No person shall park any vehicle in violation of such
rules and regulations, and any person parking any vehi-
cle contrary thereto shall be subject to a fine of not
less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each
offense. Justices of the peace in Monongalia county and
the police court and police court judge of Morgantown,
West Virginia, shall have jurisdiction of all such offenses.

In addition, the board shall have the authority, when-
ever any vehicle is parked in a university parking facility
in violation of the posted rules and regulations, to re-
move the vehicle, by towing or otherwise, to an estab-
lished garage or parking lot for storage until called for
by the owner or his agent. In such case, the owner
shall be liable for the reasonable cost of such removal
and storage, and until payment of such cost the garage
or parking lot operator may retain possession of the
vehicle subject to a lien for the amount due. The garage
or parking lot operator may enforce his lien for tow-
ing and storage in the manner provided in section four-
teen, article eleven, chapter thirty-eight of this code
for the enforcement of other liens.

The board shall have authority to charge fees for the
use of parking facilities under its control. All moneys
collected for such use shall be paid into a special fund
which is hereby created in the state treasury. The
moneys in such fund shall be used first to pay the
cost of maintaining and operating such facilities, but
any excess not needed for this purpose may be used to
finance the construction of additional parking facilities
or the acquisition by lease or purchase of additional park-
ing areas. The board may use the moneys in such special
fund to finance the costs of the above purposes on a cash basis, or may from time to time issue revenue bonds of the state as provided in this section to finance such costs and pledge all or any part of the moneys in such special funds for the payment of the principal of and interest on such revenue bonds, and for reserves therefor. Whenever parking facilities are provided in any university building financed in whole or in part by the issue of revenue bonds otherwise authorized by law, the net revenue derived from the parking facilities included in such building may be used or pledged to meet the sinking fund requirements of the bonds issued for construction of the building. The pledge of moneys in such special fund for any revenue bonds shall be a prior and superior charge on such special fund over the use of any of the moneys in such fund to pay for the cost of any of such purposes on a cash basis.

Such revenue bonds may be authorized and issued from time to time by the board of regents to finance in whole or in part the purposes provided in this section in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding the amount which the board shall determine can be paid as to both principal and interest and reasonable margins for a reserve therefor from the moneys in such special fund.

The issuance of such bonds shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by the board, and such revenue bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such times not exceeding forty years from their respective dates; bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding seven per centum per annum; be in such form either coupon or registered, with such exchangeability and interchangeability privileges; be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, within or without the state; be subject to such terms of prior redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred six per centum of the principal amount thereof; and shall have such other terms and provisions as the board shall determine. Such revenue bonds shall be signed by the governor and by the president of the board of regents, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state,
and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile
signature of the president of the board. Such revenue
bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board may
determine to be for the best interests of the state, such
sale to be made at a price not lower than a price which
will show a net return of not more than eight per centum
per annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid
therefor computed to the stated maturity dates of such
revenue bonds without regard to any right of prior
redemption.

The board may enter into trust agreements with banks
or trust companies, within or without the state, and in
such trust agreements or the resolutions authorizing
the issuance of such bonds may enter into valid and
legally binding covenants with the holders of such reve-
 nue bonds as to the custody, safeguarding and disposi-
tion of the proceeds of such revenue bonds, the moneys
in such special fund, sinking funds, reserve funds, or
any other moneys or funds; as to the rank and priority,
if any, of different issues of revenue bonds under the
provisions of this section; and as to any other matters
or provisions which are deemed necessary and advisable
by the board in the best interests of the state and to
enhance the marketability of such revenue bonds.

Such revenue bonds shall be and constitute negotiable
instruments under the law merchant and the negotiable
instruments law of the state; shall, together with the
interest thereon, be exempt from all taxation by the
state of West Virginia, or by any county, school district,
municipality or political subdivision thereof; and such
revenue bonds shall not be deemed to be obligations or
debts of the state, and the credit or taxing power of
the state shall not be pledged therefor, but such reve-
 nue bonds shall be payable only from the revenue pledged
therefor as provided in this section.
CHAPTER 14

(House Bill No. 659—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970: in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article eleven-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to revenue bonds for capital improvements at West Virginia University.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, article eleven-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 11A. REVENUE BONDS FOR UNIVERSITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.


1 The issuance of bonds under the provisions of this article shall be authorized by a resolution of the board of regents, which shall recite an estimate by the board of the cost of the proposed building or buildings; and shall provide for the issuance of bonds in an amount sufficient, when sold as hereinafter provided, to provide moneys sufficient to pay such cost, less the amount of any other funds available for the construction of the building or buildings from any appropriation, grant or gift therefor. Such resolution shall prescribe the rights and duties of the bondholders and the board, and for such purpose may prescribe the form of the trust agreement hereinafter referred to. The bonds shall be of such series, bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates, bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding seven per centum per annum, payable semiannually; be in such denominations; be in such form, either coupon or fully registered without coupons, carrying such registration exchangeability and interchange-
ability privileges; be payable in such medium of payment
and at such place or places; be subject to such terms
of redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred
five percent of the principal amount thereof, and be enti-
tled to such priorities on the revenues paid into the
special university capital improvements fund as may
be provided in the resolution authorizing the issuance
of the bonds or in any trust agreement made in connec-
tion therewith. The bonds shall be signed by the gover-
nor, and by the president of the board of regents, under
the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of
state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the
facsimile signature of the president of the board. In
case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the
bonds or coupons cease to be such officers before the
delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall neverthe-
less be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same
as if such officers had remained in office until such de-
livery.

Such bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board
may determine to be for the best interests of the state,
taking into consideration the financial responsibility
of the purchaser, the terms and conditions of the pur-
chase, and especially the availability of the proceeds
of the bonds when required for payment of the cost
of such building or buildings, such sale to be made at a
price not lower than a price which, when computed upon
standard tables of bond values, will show a net return
of not more than eight percent per annum to the pur-
chaser upon the amount paid therefor. The proceeds
of such bonds shall be used solely for the payment of
the cost of such building or buildings, and shall be depos-
ited in the state treasury in a special fund and checked
out as provided by law for the disbursement of other
state funds. If the proceeds of such bonds, by error in
calculation or otherwise, shall be less than the cost of
such building or buildings, additional bonds may in like
manner be issued to provide the amount of the deficiency;
and unless otherwise provided for in the resolution or
trust agreement hereinafter mentioned, shall be deemed
to be of the same issue, and shall be entitled to pay-
ment from the same fund, without preference or prior-
ity, as the bonds before issued for such building or
buildings. If the proceeds of bonds issued for such build-
ing or buildings shall exceed the cost thereof, the sur-
plus shall be paid into the sinking fund to be established
for payment of the principal and interest of such bonds
as hereinafter provided. Prior to the preparation of
definitive bonds, the board may, under like restrictions,
issue temporary bonds with or without coupons, ex-
changeable for definitive bonds upon their issuance.

The bonds issued under the provisions of this article
shall be and have all the qualities of negotiable instru-
ments under the law merchant and the Uniform Com-
mercial Code of this state.

CHAPTER 15

(House Bill No. 660—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article eleven-b,
chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to
revenue bonds for facilities, buildings and structures.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four, article eleven-b, chapter eighteen of the
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one,
as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 11B. REVENUE BONDS FOR UNIVERSITY FACILITIES,
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES.

§18-11B-4. Issuance of revenue bonds.

1 The issuance of revenue bonds under the provisions
2 of this article shall be authorized by a resolution of
3 the board of regents, which shall recite an estimate by
4 the board of the cost of the proposed facilities, build-
ings or structures; and shall provide for the issuance of bonds in an amount sufficient, when sold as herein-after provided, to provide moneys sufficient to pay such cost, less the amount of any other funds available for the construction of the facilities, buildings or structures from any appropriation, grant or gift therefor. Such resolution shall prescribe the rights and duties of the bondholders and the board, and for such purpose may prescribe the form of the trust agreement hereinafter referred to. The bonds shall be of such series, bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates, bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding seven per centum per annum, payable semiannually; be in such denominations; be in such form, either coupon or fully registered without coupons, carrying such registration, exchangeability and interchangeability privileges: be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places; be subject to such terms of redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred five percent of the principal amount thereof, and be entitled to such priorities on the revenues paid into the special university capital improvements fund as may be provided in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or in any trust agreement made in connection therewith. The bonds shall be signed by the governor, and by the president of the board of regents, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president of the board. In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons cease to be such officers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officers had remained in office until such delivery.

Such bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board may determine to be for the best interest of the state, taking into consideration the financial responsibility of the purchaser, the terms and conditions of the purchase, and especially the availability of the proceeds of the
bonds when required for payment of the cost of such facilities, buildings or structures, such sale to be made at a price not lower than a price which, when computed upon standard tables of bond values, will show a net return of not more than eight percent per annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor. The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for the payment of the cost of such facilities, buildings or structures, and shall be deposited in the state treasury in a special fund and checked out as provided by law for the disbursement of other state funds. If the proceeds of such bonds, by error in calculation or otherwise, shall be less than the cost of such facilities, buildings or structures, additional bonds may in like manner be issued to provide the amount of the deficiency; and unless otherwise provided for in the resolution or trust agreement hereinafter mentioned, shall be deemed to be of the same issue, and shall be entitled to payment from the same fund, without preference or priority, as the bonds before issued for such facilities, buildings or structures. If the proceeds of bonds issued for such facilities, buildings or structures shall exceed the cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid into the sinking fund to be established for payment of the principal and interest of such bonds as hereinafter provided. Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the board may, under like restrictions, issue temporary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon their issuance. The term "cost", as used in this section, shall be deemed to include all of the items contemplated by the use of this term in section one of this article.

CHAPTER 16

(House Bill No. 639—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]
sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to revenue bonds for capital improvements at Marshall University.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, article twelve-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 12A. REVENUE BONDS FOR MARSHALL UNIVERSITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.

§18-12A-3. Issuance of revenue bonds.

1 The issuance of bonds under the provisions of this article shall be authorized by a resolution of the board of regents, which shall recite an estimate by the board of the cost of the proposed building or buildings, improvements and land; and shall provide for the issuance of bonds in an amount sufficient, when sold as hereinafter provided, to provide moneys sufficient to pay such cost, less the amount of revenue paid into the special Marshall University capital improvements fund which is used to pay any part of the cost of providing such classroom and office building, addition to the library, renovation of administration building and additional land for a new student center building for Marshall University as authorized by section two of this article and less the amount of any other funds available for the construction or acquisition of the building or buildings, improvements and land from any appropriation, grant, gift or contribution therefor. Such resolution shall prescribe the rights and duties of the bondholders and the board, and for such purpose may prescribe the form of the trust agreement hereinafter referred to. The bonds shall be of such series, bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates, bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding seven per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; be in such denominations; be in such form, either coupon or fully registered without coupons, carrying such registration exchangeability and interchangeability privileges; be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places; be subject to such
terms of redemption at such prices not exceeding one
hundred five percent of the principal amount thereof,
and be entitled to such priorities on the revenues paid
into the special Marshall University capital improvements
fund as may be provided in the resolution authorizing
the issuance of the bonds or in any trust agreement
made in connection therewith. The bonds shall be signed
by the governor, and by the president of the board of
regents, under the great seal of the state, attested
by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached
thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president
of the board. In case any of the officers whose signatures
appear on the bonds or coupons cease to be such off-
cers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures
shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all pur-
poses the same as if such officers had remained in office
until such delivery.

Such bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board
may determine to be for the best interests of the state,
taking into consideration the financial responsibility of
the purchaser, the terms and conditions of the purchase,
and especially the availability of the proceeds of the
bonds when required for payment of the cost of such
building or buildings, improvements and land, such sale
to be made at a price not lower than a price, which when
computed upon standard tables of bond values, will
show a net return of not more than eight percent per
annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor.
The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for
the payment of the cost of such building or buildings,
 improvements and land, and shall be deposited in the
state treasury in a special fund and checked out as pro-
vided by law for the disbursement of other state funds.
If the proceeds of such bonds, by error in calculation
or otherwise, shall, together with any other funds used
therefor as hereinbefore in this article authorized, be
less than the cost of such building or buildings, im-
provements and land, additional bonds may in like man-
ner be issued to provide the amount of the deficiency,
but in no case to exceed five million seven hundred
thousand dollars less the amount of any other funds
used therefor as hereinbefore in this article authorized; and unless otherwise provided for in the resolution or trust agreement hereinafter mentioned, shall be deemed to be of the same issue, and shall be entitled to payment from the same fund, without preference or priority, as the bonds before issued for such building or buildings. If the proceeds of bonds issued for such building or buildings, improvements and land shall, together with the amount of any other funds used therefor as hereinbefore in this article authorized, exceed the cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid into the sinking fund or reserve fund to be established for payment of the principal and interest of such bonds as hereinafter provided. Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the board may, under like restrictions, issue temporary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon their issuance.

The bonds issued under the provisions of this article shall be and have all the qualities of negotiable instruments under the law merchant and the Uniform Commercial Code of this state.

CHAPTER 17

(Senate Bill No. 76—By Mr. Carrigan)

(Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section sixteen, article twenty-three, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to removing interest rate limitations on dormitory revenue bond issues.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section sixteen, article twenty-three, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
ARTICLE 23. ADDITIONAL POWERS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNING BOARDS OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

§18-23-16. Cost of dormitories, homes and refectories to be paid from proceeds of revenue bonds.

1. The governing boards may pay the cost as defined in sections thirteen to twenty-four, inclusive, of this article, of any one or more of such dormitories, homes or refectories out of the proceeds of revenue bonds of the state. The governing boards are authorized to issue revenue bonds of the state, by a resolution of the board which shall recite an estimate by the board of such cost, the principal and interest of which bonds shall be payable solely from the special fund herein provided for such payment. The board, after any such issue of bonds or simultaneously therewith, may issue further issues of bonds to pay the cost of any other one or more of such dormitories, homes or refectories, in the manner and subject to all of the provisions herein contained as to the bonds first mentioned in this section. All such bonds shall have and are hereby declared to have all the qualities of negotiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code. Such bonds shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, and shall mature in not more than thirty years from their date or dates and may be made redeemable at the option of the state, to be exercised by the governing boards, at such price and under such terms and conditions as they may fix prior to the issuance of such bonds. They shall determine the form of such bonds, including coupons to be attached thereto to evidence the right of interest payments, which bonds shall be signed by the governor and the president of the appropriate governing board, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president of the appropriate board. In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if they had remained in office until such delivery. The governing boards shall fix the
37 denominations of such bonds, the principal and interest
38 of which shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of
39 the state of West Virginia, at the capitol of said state, or,
40 at the option of the holder, at some bank or trust company
41 in the city of New York to be named in the bonds, either
42 in lawful money or in gold coin of the United States of
43 America, of or equal to the then current standard of
44 weight and fineness, as may be determined by the govern-
45 ing boards. Such bonds shall be exempt from taxation
46 by the state of West Virginia or any county, school dis-
47 trict or municipality therein. The governing boards may
48 provide for the registration of such bonds in the name of
49 the owner as to principal alone and as to both principal
50 and interest under such terms and conditions as the
51 governing boards may determine, and shall sell such
52 bonds in such manner as they may determine to be for
53 the best interest of the state, taking into consideration
54 the financial responsibility of the purchaser and the terms
55 and conditions of the purchase and especially the avail-
56 ability of the proceeds of the bonds when required for
57 payment of the cost of the dormitories, homes or
58 refectories.
59 The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for
60 the payment of the cost of such dormitories, homes or
61 refectories, and shall be checked out by the president
62 of the appropriate governing board and the treasurer
63 thereof and under such further restrictions, if any, as
64 the board may provide. If the proceeds of such bonds,
65 by error or otherwise, shall be less than the cost of such
66 dormitories, homes or refectories, additional bonds may
67 in like manner be issued to provide the amount of such
68 deficit, and, unless otherwise provided in the trust agree-
69 ment hereinafter mentioned, shall be deemed to be of
70 the same issue and shall be entitled to payment from
71 the same fund, without preference or priority of the
72 bonds first issued for the same dormitory or dormitories,
73 home or homes, or refectory or refectories. If the pro-
74 ceeds of bonds issued for any such dormitories, homes
75 or refectories shall exceed the cost thereof, the surplus
76 shall be paid into the fund hereinafter provided for pay-
ment of the principal and interest of such bonds. Such
fund may be used for the purchase of any of the out-
standing bonds payable from such fund at the market
price, but not exceeding the price, if any, at which such
bonds shall in the same year be redeemable, and all
bonds redeemed or purchased shall forthwith be can-
celled and shall not again be issued.

Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the
governing boards may under like restrictions issue tem-
porary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable
for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the latter. Such
revenue bonds may be issued without any other proceed-
ings or the happening of any other conditions and things
than those proceedings, conditions and things which are
specified and required by this article or by the con-
stitution of the state.

CHAPTER 18

(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 114—Originating in the
Senate Committee on Finance)

[Passed February 4, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article twenty-four,
chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to in-
creasing the interest rate limitation on student union
revenue bond issues to eight percent.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article twenty-four, chapter eighteen of the
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one,
as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. FEES AND OTHER MONEY COLLECTED AT STATE
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
§18-24-6. Disposition and use of student union fees; issuance
of revenue bonds.

1 Wherever the term “student union building” is used in
2 this section the same shall mean a student union build-
ing or a combination student union building and dining hall building; and wherever the term "building fund" is used in this section the same shall mean the respective special student union building funds created as provided in section one of this article for each state educational institution which has imposed student union fees pursuant to section one of this article, to be expended by the West Virginia board of regents for the benefit of the state educational institutions under its control.

The West Virginia board of regents may make expenditures from such building funds at the various state educational institutions under its control to finance in whole or in part, together with any federal, state or other grants or contributions, any one or more of the following purposes: (1) The construction and acquisition of new student union buildings. (2) The acquisition, renovation and improvement of existing buildings to be used as student union buildings. (3) The construction of additions, extensions and improvements to existing student union buildings. (4) The acquisition of furnishings and equipment for any existing student union buildings or student union buildings to be constructed or acquired, or the construction of any roads, utilities or other properties, real or personal, or for any other purposes necessary, appurtenant or incidental to the construction, acquisition, financing and placing in operation of such student union buildings. (5) The payment of the cost of the operation and maintenance of such student union buildings, subject however to any covenants or agreements made with the holders of revenue bonds heretofore or hereafter issued pursuant to this section or pursuant to section one of this article.

The West Virginia board of regents, at its discretion, may use the moneys in such building funds to finance the costs of the above purposes on a cash basis, or may from time to time issue revenue bonds of the state as provided in this section to finance all or part of such purposes and pledge all or any part of the moneys in such building funds for the payment of the principal of and interest on such revenue bonds, and for reserves therefor. Any pledge
of such building funds for such revenue bonds shall be a prior and superior charge on such special funds over the use of any of the moneys in such funds to pay for the cost of any of such purposes on a cash basis, or for the payment of the cost of operation and maintenance, or any part thereof, of such student union buildings, under such terms and conditions as shall be provided in the proceedings which authorized the issuance of such revenue bonds.

Such revenue bonds may be authorized and issued from time to time by the West Virginia board of regents to finance in whole or in part the purposes at any state educational institution under its control provided for in this section in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding the amount which the board shall determine can be paid as to both principal and interest and reasonable margins for a reserve therefor from the moneys in such building funds.

The issuance of such revenue bonds shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by the West Virginia board of regents, and such revenue bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their respective dates; bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding eight per centum per annum; be in such form either coupon or registered, with such exchangeability and interchangeability privileges; be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, within or without the state; be subject to such terms of prior redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred five per centum of the principal amount thereof; and shall have such other terms and provisions as the board shall determine. Such revenue bonds shall be signed by the governor and by the president of the West Virginia board of regents, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president of the West Virginia board of regents. Such revenue bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board may determine to be for the best interests of the state.

The West Virginia board of regents may enter into
trust agreements with banks or trust companies, within
or without the state, and in such trust agreements or the
resolutions authorizing the issuance of such bonds may
enter into valid and legally binding covenants with the
holders of such revenue bonds as to the custody, safe-
guarding and disposition of the proceeds of such revenue
bonds, the moneys in such building funds, sinking funds,
reserve funds, or any other moneys or funds; as to the
rank and priority, if any, of different issues of revenue
bonds issued by the board for the same educational in-
stitution under the provisions of this section; as to the
maintenance or revision of the amounts of such student
union fees, and the terms and conditions, if any, under
which any of such student union fees may be reduced;
and as to any other matters or provisions which are
deemed necessary and advisable by the board in the best
interests of the state and to enhance the marketability of
such revenue bonds.

Any revenues or income derived from the operation
of such student union buildings may, in the discretion of
the board, be used to pay the cost of the operation and
maintenance of such student union buildings, or for the
debt service on any bonds issued pursuant to this section
or pursuant to any other law.

After the issuance of any of such revenue bonds, the
student union fees at the state educational institution for
which such revenue bonds were issued shall not be re-
duced as long as any of such revenue bonds are out-
standing and unpaid except under such terms, provisions
and conditions as shall be contained in the resolution,
trust agreement or other proceedings under which such
revenue bonds were issued.

Such revenue bonds shall be and constitute negotiable
instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code of the
state, shall, together with the interest thereon, be exempt
from all taxation by the state of West Virginia, or by any
county, school district, municipality or political sub-
division thereof; and such revenue bonds shall not be
deemed to be obligations or debts of the state, and the
credit or taxing power of the state shall not be pledged
therefor, but such revenue bonds shall be payable only from the student union fees pledged therefor as provided in this section.

The provisions of this section shall constitute an additional, alternative and complete authority for the exercise of the powers and the issuance of the bonds provided for in this section, but shall not prevent the West Virginia board of regents from exercising similar or related powers or issuing bonds therefor under any other law or laws, but the board, in exercising the powers and issuing the bonds provided for in this section, shall only be required to comply with the provisions of this section and shall not be required to comply with or be subject to the provisions of any other law or laws.

CHAPTER 19

(Senate Bill No. 90—By Mr. Jackson, Mr. President, and Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections eight, twenty-one, twenty-three and twenty-five, article two, chapter fourteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the court of claims, the number of judges of the court of claims constituting a quorum for the hearing of claims before the court or the transaction of any business of the court, the compensation of the judges and the maximum number of days each judge may serve in any fiscal year; providing that the periods of limitations as to claims before the court shall be the same as would be applicable under the provisions of the code of West Virginia and that such periods of limitation cannot be waived or extended; relating to the inclusion of awards in the budget; and relating to the reports of the court, the filing thereof with the clerks of both houses of the Legislature, the governor and the attorney general and the publication of such reports.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections eight, twenty-one, twenty-three and twenty-five, article two, chapter fourteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE.

§14-2-23. Inclusion of awards in budget.
§14-2-25. Reports of the court.

1 Each judge of the court shall receive seventy-five dollars for each day actually served, and actual expenses incurred in the performance of his duties. The number of days served by each judge shall not exceed one hundred fifty in any fiscal year, except by authority of the joint committee on government and finance. Requisitions for compensation and expenses shall be accompanied by sworn and itemized statements, which shall be filed with the auditor and preserved as public records. For the purpose of this section, time served shall include time spent in the hearing of claims, in the consideration of the record, in the preparation of opinions, and in necessary travel.

1 The court shall not take jurisdiction of any claim, whether accruing before or after the effective date of this article (July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven), unless notice of such claim be filed with the clerk within such period of limitation as would be applicable under the pertinent provisions of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, if the claim were against a private person, firm or corporation and the constitutional immunity of the state from suit were not involved and such period of limitation may not be waived or extended. The foregoing provision shall not be held to limit or restrict the right of any person, firm or corporation who or which had a claim against the state or any state agency, pending before the attorney general
on the effective date of this article (July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven), from presenting such claim to the court of claims, nor shall it limit or restrict the right to file such a claim which was, on the effective date of this article (July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven), pending in any court of record as a legal claim and which, after such date was or may be adjudicated in such court to be invalid as a claim against the state because of the constitutional immunity of the state from suit.

§14-2-23. Inclusion of awards in budget.

The clerk shall certify to the department of finance and administration, on or before the twentieth day of November of each year, a list of all awards recommended by the court to the Legislature for appropriation. The clerk may certify supplementary lists to the governor to include subsequent awards made by the court. The governor shall include all awards so certified in his proposed budget bill transmitted to the Legislature.

§14-2-25. Reports of the court.

The clerk shall be the official reporter of the court. He shall collect and edit the approved claims, awards and statements, shall prepare them for submission to the Legislature in the form of an annual report and shall prepare them for publication.

Claims and awards shall be separately classified as follows:

1. Approved claims and awards not satisfied but referred to the Legislature for final consideration and appropriation.

2. Approved claims and awards satisfied by payments out of regular appropriations.

3. Approved claims and awards satisfied by payment out of a special appropriation made by the Legislature to pay claims arising during the fiscal year.

4. Claims rejected by the court with the reasons therefore.

5. Advisory determinations made at the request of the governor or the head of a state agency.
The court may include any other information or recommendations pertaining to the performance of its duties.

The court shall transmit its annual report to the presiding officer of each house of the Legislature, and a copy shall be made available to any member of the Legislature upon request therefor. The reports of the court shall be published biennially by the clerk as a public document.

The biennial report shall be filed with the clerk of each house of the Legislature, the governor and the attorney general.

CHAPTER 20
(House Bill No. 713—By Mr. Buck and Mr. Kincaid)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT finding and declaring certain claims against the state and its agencies to be moral obligations of the state, and directing the auditor to issue warrants for the payments thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

§1. Finding and declaring certain claims against the state department of highways; state board of education; department of welfare; department of mental health; board of governors of West Virginia University; division of vocational rehabilitation; adjutant general; office of federal-state relations; and alcohol beverage control commissioner, to be moral obligations of the state, and directing payment thereof.

The Legislature has considered the findings of fact and recommendations reported to it by the court of claims concerning various claims against the state and agencies thereof, and in respect to each of the following claims the Legislature adopts those findings of fact as its own, and hereby declares it to be the moral obligation of the state to pay such claim in the amount specified below, and directs the auditor to issue warrants for the payment
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(29) Lawrence H. Young, Jr. ....................... 249.26

(b) Claims versus the State Board of
Education:
(1) Hibbard, O'Connor & Weeks, Inc.... 57,450.00
(2) Shepherdstown Register, Inc. .... 922.50
(3) Smith, Joe L., d/b/a Biggs-
Johnston-Withrow .............................. 727.30

(c) Claims versus the Department of Welfare:
(1) Harlan Hall .................................. 226.00

(d) Claims versus the Department of Mental
Health:
(1) Allergy Rehabilitation Foundation,
Inc. .................................................. 1,703.87
(2) M. C. Hicks, Committee for
Lucy K. Hicks .................................... 201.00
(3) Raymond Mathison ........................... 247.50

(e) Claims versus the Board of Governors of
West Virginia University:
(1) City of Morgantown ....................... 40,886.22

(f) Claims versus the West Virginia
Vocational Rehabilitation Division:
(1) Drs. Heilman, Anderson and
Abplanalp .......................................... 116.50
(2) Harmarville Rehabilitation Center .... 411.00
(3) Drs. Squire, Francke and Goodwin .... 134.50

(g) Claims versus the Adjutant General:
(1) John L. Rolfe, a subrogation
assigned to Harleysville Insurance
Company ............................................. 275.67
The Legislature finds that the above moral obligations and the appropriations made in satisfaction thereof shall be the full compensation for all claimants, and that prior to the payment to any claimant provided for in this bill, the court of claims shall receive a release from said claimant releasing any and all claims for moral obligations arising from the matters considered by the Legislature in the finding of the moral obligations and the making of the appropriations for said claimant. The court of claims shall deliver all releases obtained from claimants to the department against which the claim was allowed.

CHAPTER 21

(House Bill No. 661—By Mr. Myles and Mr. Files)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to provide for the submission to the voters of the state of an amendment to the constitution of the state of West Virginia, amending section five, article twelve thereof, relating to support of free schools, and repealing section two, article ten thereof, relating to capitation tax.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

CAPITATION TAX REPEAL AMENDMENT.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.
§2. Amendment to be known as the “Capitation Tax Repeal Amendment”; summary of purpose.

§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.

§4. Form of ballot; election.

§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying result.

§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.

That the question of the ratification or rejection of an amendment to the constitution of West Virginia, proposed in accordance with the provisions of section two, article fourteen of said constitution, shall be submitted to the voters of the state at the next general election, to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amendment is as follows:

That section two, article ten of the constitution of the state of West Virginia be repealed and that section five, article twelve be amended to read as follows:

“ARTICLE XII. EDUCATION.

“§5. Support of free schools.

1 “The Legislature shall provide for the support of free schools by appropriating thereto the interest of the invested “school fund”, the net proceeds of all forfeitures and fines accruing to this state under the laws thereof and by general taxation of persons and property or otherwise. It shall also provide for raising in each county or district, by the authority of the people thereof, such a proportion of the amount required for the support of free schools therein as shall be prescribed by general laws.”

§2. Amendment to be known as the “Capitation Tax Repeal Amendment”; summary of purpose.

1 In accordance with the provisions of section thirteen, article six, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, said proposed amendment is hereby designated as the “Capitation Tax Repeal Amendment” and the purpose of the proposed amendment is summarized as follows: “To abolish the capitation, or ‘head’ tax.”
§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.

The governor shall cause the said proposed amendment, with the proper designation and the summary of the purpose for the same as hereinbefore adopted and stated, to be published one time at least three months before such election in some newspaper in every county in which a newspaper is printed, and the cost of such advertising, determined in accordance with the provisions of section three, article three, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, shall in the first instance, if found necessary by him, be paid out of the governor's contingent fund, and be afterwards repaid to such fund by appropriation of the Legislature.

§4. Form of ballot; election.

For the purpose of enabling the voters of the state to vote on the question of said proposed amendment to the constitution and any other proposed amendments to the constitution which may be submitted at the said general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, the board of ballot commissioners of each county is hereby required to place upon and at the foot of the official ballot to be voted at that election, under the heading reading "Ballot on Constitutional Amendment(s)," in the first position under said heading, the following:

No. 1. Capitation Tax Repeal Amendment.

☐ For
☐ Against

The said election on the proposed amendment at each place of voting shall be superintended, conducted and returned, and the result thereof ascertained by the same officers and in the same manner as the election of officers to be voted for at said election, and all the provisions of the law relating to general elections, including all duties to be performed by any officer or board, as far as practicable, and not inconsistent with anything herein contained, shall apply to the election held under the provisions of this act, except when it is herein other-
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25 wise provided. The ballots cast on the question of said
26 proposed amendment shall be counted as other ballots
27 cast at said election.

§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying result.

1 As soon as the result is ascertained, the commissioners,
2 or a majority of them, and the canvassers (if there be
3 any), or a majority of them, at each place of voting,
4 shall make out and sign two certificates thereof in the
5 following form or to the following effect:
6 "We, the undersigned, who acted as commissioners
7 (or canvassers, as the case may be) of the election held
8 at Precinct No. ............., in the district of ............. ...., 
9 in the county of ................................................, on the ....
10 day of ........................................................., one thousand nine
11 hundred seventy, upon the question of the ratification
12 or rejection of the proposed constitutional amendment,
13 do hereby certify that the result of said election is as
14 follows:
15 "Amendment No. 1. Capitation Tax Repeal Amend-
16 ment.
17 "For ratification ................. votes.
18 "Against ratification ................. votes.
19 "Given under our hands this ........ day of ............. .... ....
20 one thousand nine hundred seventy."

21 The said two certificates shall correspond with each
22 other in all respects and contain the full and true returns
23 in said election at each place of voting on said question.
24 The said commissioners, or any one of them (or said
25 canvassers or any one of them, as the case may be),
26 shall, within four days, excluding Sunday, after that
27 on which said election was held, deliver one of said
28 certificates to the clerk of the county court of the county,
29 together with the ballots, and the other to the clerk of
30 the circuit court of the county.

31 The said certificates, together with the ballots cast
32 on the question of said proposed amendment, shall be
33 laid before the commissioners of the county court at
34 the courthouse at the same time the ballots, poll books
and the certificates of election of the members of the Legislature are laid before them; and as soon as the result of said election in the county upon the question of such ratification or rejection is ascertained, two certificates of such result shall be made out and signed by said commissioners as a board of canvassers, in the form or to the following effect:

"We, the board of canvassers of the county of ___________, having carefully and impartially examined the returns of the election held in said county, in each district thereof, on the __________ day of November, one thousand nine hundred seventy, do certify that the result of the election in said county, on the question of the ratification or rejection of the proposed amendment is as follows:

"Amendment No. 1. Capitation Tax Repeal Amendment.

"For ratification ________________ votes.

"Against ratification __________ votes.

"Given under our hands this __________ day of __________, one thousand nine hundred seventy."

One of the certificates shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county court, and the other forwarded by mail to the secretary of state, who shall file and preserve the same until the day on which the result of said election in the state is to be ascertained, as hereinafter stated.

§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.

On the twenty-fifth day after the election is held, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the said certificates shall be laid before the governor, whose duty it shall be to ascertain therefrom the result of said election in the state, and declare the same by proclamation published in one or more newspapers printed at the seat of government, the cost of such publication to be determined in accordance with the provisions of section three, article three, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. If a majority of the votes cast at said election upon said
12. question be for ratification of said amendment, the pro-
13. posed amendment so ratified shall be in force and effect
14. from and after the time of such ratification as part of
15. the constitution of the state.

CHAPTER 22

(House Bill No. 669—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky,
and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

AN ACT to provide for submitting to the voters an amend-
ment to the constitution of the state, amending sections
thirteen, eighteen, twenty-two, twenty-four and thirty-
three, article six, and sections fourteen and fifteen, article
seven thereof, relating to eligibility to seat in the Legis-
lature, time and place of assembly of Legislature, length
of legislative session, rules governing legislative pro-
ceedings, compensation and expenses of members, pre-
sentation of bills to the governor and the governor's ap-
proval or disapproval of bills.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

LEGISLATIVE IMPROVEMENT AMENDMENT.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.
§2. Amendment to be known as the "Legislative Improvement Amend-
ment"; summary of purpose.
§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.
§4. Form of ballot; election.
§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying
result.
§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.

That the question of the ratification or rejection of an
amendment to the constitution of West Virginia, proposed in
accordance with the provisions of section two, article four-
teen of said constitution, shall be submitted to the voters of
the state at the next general election, to be held in the year
one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amendment is as follows:

That sections thirteen, eighteen, twenty-two, twenty-four and thirty-three, article six, and sections fourteen and fifteen, article seven thereof, be amended, all to read as follows:

"ARTICLE VI. LEGISLATURE.

§13. Eligibility to seat in Legislature.

"No person holding any other lucrative office or employment under this state, the United States, or any foreign government; no member of Congress; and no person who is sheriff, constable, or clerk of any court of record, shall be eligible to a seat in the Legislature.

§18. Time and place of assembly of Legislature.

"The Legislature shall assemble annually at the seat of government, and not oftener unless convened by the Governor. Regular sessions of the Legislature shall commence on the second Wednesday of January of each odd-numbered year, each House shall proceed to organize by the election of its officers for two-year terms and both Houses shall then in joint assembly open and publish the election returns delivered to the Legislature as prescribed by other provisions of this Constitution and by general law. When all of these matters have been completed in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every fourth year thereafter, the Legislature shall adjourn until the second Wednesday of February following. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-one of this article and any other provisions of this Constitution, on and after the effective date hereof, there shall be submitted by the Governor to the Legislature, on the second Wednesday of February in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every fourth year thereafter, and on the second Wednesday of January of all other years, unless a later time in any year be fixed by the Legislature, a budget for the next ensuing fiscal year and a bill for the proposed appropriations of such budget.
"§22. Length of legislative session.

1 "The regular session of the Legislature held in the year
2 one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every
3 fourth year thereafter shall, in addition to the meeting
4 days preceding the adjournment provided for in section
5 eighteen of this article, not exceed sixty calendar days
6 computed from and including the second Wednesday of
7 February, and the regular session held in all other years
8 shall not exceed sixty calendar days computed from and
9 including the second Wednesday of January. Any regular
10 session may be extended by a concurrent resolution
11 adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members elected to
12 each House determined by yeas and nays and entered on
13 the Journals.


1 "A majority of the members elected to each House of
2 the Legislature shall constitute a quorum. But a smaller
3 number may adjourn from day to day, and shall be
4 authorized to compel the attendance of absent members,
5 as each House may provide. Each House shall determine
6 the rules of its proceedings and be the judge of the
7 elections, returns and qualifications of its own members.
8 The Senate shall choose, from its own body, a President;
9 and the House of Delegates, from its own body, a Speaker.
10 Each House shall appoint its own officers, and remove
11 them at pleasure. The oldest Delegate in point of con-
12 tinuous service present at the assembly of the Legislature
13 at which officers thereof are to be selected, and if there
14 be two or more such Delegates with equal continuous
15 service the one agreed upon by such Delegates or chosen
16 by such Delegates by lot, shall call the House to order,
17 and preside over it until the Speaker thereof shall have
18 been chosen, and have taken his seat. The oldest member
19 of the Senate in point of continuous service present at
20 the assembly of the Legislature at which officers thereof
21 are to be selected, and if there be two or more such
22 members with equal continuous service the one agreed
23 upon by such members or chosen by such members by
24 lot, shall call the Senate to order, and preside over the
same until a President of the Senate shall have been chosen, and have taken his seat.

"§33. Compensation and expenses of members."

"Members of the Legislature shall receive such compensation in connection with the performance of their respective duties as members of the Legislature and such allowances for travel and other expenses in connection therewith as shall be (1) established in a resolution submitted to the Legislature by the Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission hereinafter created, and (2) thereafter enacted into general law by the Legislature at a regular session thereof, subject to such requirements and conditions as shall be prescribed in such general law. The Legislature may in any such general law reduce but shall not increase any item of compensation or expense allowance established in such resolution. All voting on the floor of both Houses on the question of passage of any such general law shall be by yeas and nays to be entered on the Journals.

"The Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission is hereby created. It shall be composed of seven members who have been residents of this state for at least ten years prior to the date of appointment, to be appointed by the Governor within twenty days after ratification of this amendment, no more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party. The members shall be broadly representative of the public at large. Members of the Legislature and officers and employees of the state or of any county, municipality or other governmental unit of the state shall not be eligible for appointment to or to serve as members of the Commission. Each member of the Commission shall serve for a term of seven years, except of the members first appointed, one member shall be appointed for a term of one year, and one each for terms ending two, three, four, five, six and seven years after the date of appointment. As the term of each member first appointed expires, a successor shall be appointed for a seven-year term. Any member may be reappointed for any number of terms, and any vacancy shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. Any member of the Com-
mission may be removed by the Governor prior to the expiration of such member's term for official misconduct, incompetency or neglect of duty. The Governor shall designate one member of the Commission as chairman. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties as such members.

"The Commission shall meet as often as may be necessary and shall within fifteen days after the beginning of the regular session of the Legislature in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one and within fifteen days after the beginning of the regular session in each fourth year thereafter submit by resolution to the Legislature its determination of compensation and expense allowances, which resolution must be concurred in by at least four members of the Commission.

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, such compensation and expense allowances as may be provided for by any such general law shall be paid on and after the effective date of such general law. Until the first such general law becomes effective, the provisions of this section in effect immediately prior to the ratification of this amendment shall continue to govern.

"ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

"§14. Governor's approval or disapproval of bills passed by the Legislature.

"Subject to the provisions of section fifteen of this article, every bill passed by the Legislature shall, before it becomes a law, be presented to the Governor. If he approves, he shall sign it, and thereupon it shall become a law; but if not, he shall return it, with his objections, to the House in which it originated, which House shall enter the objections at large upon its Journal, and may proceed to reconsider the returned bill. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-one, article six of this Constitution, any such bill may be reconsidered even if the Legislature is at the time in extended session for
12 the sole purpose of considering the budget bill, as
13 specified in said section fifty-one. If, after any such
14 reconsideration, a majority of the members elected to
15 that House agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, to-
16 gether with the objections of the Governor to the other
17 House, by which it may likewise be reconsidered, and if
18 approved by a majority of the members elected to that
19 House, it shall become a law, notwithstanding the objec-
20 tions of the Governor. If upon any such reconsideration
21 the bill is amended and reenacted, then it shall be again
22 sent to the Governor and he shall act upon it as if it
23 were before him for the first time. In all cases, the vote
24 of each House shall be determined by yeas and nays
25 to be entered on the Journal.
26 "Any bill which shall not be returned by the Governor
27 within five days, Sundays excepted, after it shall have
28 been presented to him shall be a law, in the same manner
29 as if he had signed it, unless the Legislature shall, by
30 adjournment sine die, prevent its return, in which case
31 it shall be filed with his objections in the office of the
32 Secretary of State within fifteen days, Sundays excepted,
33 after such adjournment, or become a law.

"§15. Governor's approval or disapproval of bills making
appropriations of money.

1 "A bill passed by the Legislature making appropriations
2 of money must be submitted to the Governor for his
3 approval or disapproval to the extent and only to the
4 extent required by section fifty-one, article six of this
5 Constitution, and any provision therein contained as to
6 such approval or disapproval shall govern and control
7 as to any such bill."

§2. Amendment to be known as the "Legislative Improve-
ment Amendment"; summary of purpose.

1 In accordance with the provisions of section thirteen,
2 article six, chapter three of the code of West Virginia,
3 one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, said
4 proposed amendment is hereby designated as the "Legis-
5 lative Improvement Amendment." Principal purposes of
6 the proposed amendment are summarized as follows: "To
provide for a sixty-day session of the Legislature each year, and to provide for a citizens legislative compensation commission composed of seven citizens appointed by the governor."

§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.

The governor shall cause the said proposed amendment, with the proper designation and the summary of the purposes for the same as hereinbefore adopted and stated, to be published one time at least three months before such election in some newspaper in every county in which a newspaper is printed, and the cost of such advertising, determined in accordance with the provisions of section three, article three, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, shall in the first instance, if found necessary by him, be paid out of the governor's contingent fund and be afterwards repaid to such fund by appropriation of the Legislature.

§4. Form of ballot; election.

For the purpose of enabling the voters of the state to vote on the question of said proposed amendment to the constitution and any other proposed amendments to the constitution which may be submitted at the said general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, the board of ballot commissioners of each county is hereby required to place upon and at the foot of the official ballot to be voted at that election, under the heading reading "Ballot on Constitutional Amendment(s)," in the second position under said heading, the following:

No. 2. Legislative Improvement Amendment.

☐ For
☐ Against

The said election on the proposed amendment at each place of voting shall be superintended, conducted and returned, and the result thereof ascertained by the same officers and in the same manner as the election of officers to be voted for at said election, and all the provisions of the law relating to general elections, including all
duties to be performed by any officer or board, as far as practicable, and not inconsistent with anything herein contained, shall apply to the election held under the provisions of this act, except when it is herein otherwise provided. The ballots cast on the question of said proposed amendment shall be counted as other ballots cast at said election.

§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying result.

As soon as the result is ascertained, the commissioners, or a majority of them, and the canvassers (if there be any), or a majority of them, at each place of voting, shall make out and sign two certificates thereof in the following form or to the following effect:

"We, the undersigned, who acted as commissioners (or canvassers, as the case may be) of the election held at Precinct No. ........., in the district of ................. ....... , in the county of .................. ............, on the ........ day of ........................................, one thousand nine hundred seventy, upon the question of the ratification or rejection of the proposed constitutional amendment, do hereby certify that the result of said election is as follows:

"Amendment No. 2. Legislative Improvement Amendment.

"For ratification ..................... votes.
"Against ratification ..................... votes.

"Given under our hands this .......... day of .......... , one thousand nine hundred seventy."

The said two certificates shall correspond with each other in all respects and contain the full and true returns in said election at each place of voting on said question. The said commissioners, or any one of them (or said canvassers or any one of them, as the case may be), shall, within four days, excluding Sunday, after that on which said election was held, deliver one of said certificates to the clerk of the county court of the county, together with the ballots, and the other to the clerk of the circuit court of the county.
The said certificates, together with the ballots cast on the question of said proposed amendment, shall be laid before the commissioners of the county court at the courthouse at the same time the ballots, poll books and the certificates of election of the members of the Legislature are laid before them; and as soon as the result of said election in the county upon the question of such ratification or rejection is ascertained, two certificates of such result shall be made out and signed by said commissioners as a board of canvassers, in the form or to the following effect:

"We, the board of canvassers of the county of _________, having carefully and impartially examined the returns of the election held in said county, in each district thereof, on the _____ day of November, one thousand nine hundred seventy, do certify that the result of the election in said county, on the question of the ratification or rejection of the proposed amendment is as follows:

"Amendment No. 2. Legislative Improvement Amendment.

"For ratification ________________ votes.

"Against ratification ________________ votes.

"Given under our hands this ____ day of _______________, one thousand nine hundred seventy."

One of the certificates shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county court, and the other forwarded by mail to the secretary of state, who shall file and preserve the same until the day on which the result of said election in the state is to be ascertained, as hereinafter stated.

§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.

On the twenty-fifth day after the election is held, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the said certificates shall be laid before the governor, whose duty it shall be to ascertain therefrom the result of said election in the state, and declare the same by proclamation published in one or more newspapers printed at the seat of government, the cost of such publication to be determined
in accordance with the provisions of section three, article three, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. If a majority of the votes cast at said election upon said question be for ratification of said amendment, the proposed amendment so ratified shall be in force and effect from and after the time of such ratification as part of the constitution of the state.

CHAPTER 23
(House Bill No. 715—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to provide for the submission to the voters of the state of an amendment to the constitution of the state of West Virginia, amending section four, article seven thereof, relating to eligibility of the governor to serve two terms.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

GOVERNORS SUCCESSION AMENDMENT.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.
§2. Amendment to be known as the “Governors Succession Amendment”; summary of purpose.
§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.
§4. Form of ballot; election.
§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying result.
§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.

§1. Submitting an amendment to the state constitution.

That the question of the ratification or rejection of an amendment to the constitution of West Virginia, proposed in accordance with the provisions of section two, article fourteen of said constitution, shall be submitted to the voters of the state at the next general election, to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amend-
ment is that section four, article seven of the constitution of
the state of West Virginia, be amended to read as follows:

"ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
§4. Eligibility.
1 "None of the executive officers mentioned in this article
2 shall hold any other office during the term of his service.
3 A person who has been elected or who has served as
4 governor during all or any part of two consecutive terms
5 shall be ineligible for the office of governor during any
6 part of the term immediately following the second of
7 the two consecutive terms. The person holding the
8 office of governor when this section is ratified shall not
9 be prevented from holding the office of governor during
10 the term immediately following the term he is then
11 serving."

§2. Amendment to be known as the "Governors Succession
Amendment"; summary of purpose.
1 In accordance with the provisions of section thirteen,
2 article six, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one
3 thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, said pro-
4 posed amendment is hereby designated as the "Governors
5 Succession Amendment" and the purpose of the proposed
6 amendment is summarized as follows: "To provide that
7 a person can serve as governor two consecutive terms."

§3. Publication of proposed amendment by governor.
1 The governor shall cause the said proposed amend-
2 ment, with the proper designation and the summary of
3 the purpose for the same as hereinbefore adopted and
4 stated, to be published one time at least three months
5 before such election in some newspaper in every county
6 in which a newspaper is printed, and the cost of such
7 advertising, determined in accordance with the provisions
8 of section three, article three, chapter fifty-nine of the
9 code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-
10 one, as amended, shall in the first instance, if found
11 necessary by him, be paid out of the governor's con-
12 tingent fund and be afterwards repaid to such fund by
13 appropriation of the Legislature.
§4. Form of ballot; election.

1 For the purpose of enabling the voters of the state to vote on the question of said proposed amendment to the constitution and any other proposed amendments to the constitution which may be submitted at the said general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, the board of ballot commissioners of each county is hereby required to place upon and at the foot of the official ballot to be voted at that election, under the heading reading “Ballot on Constitutional Amendment(s),” in the fourth position under said heading, the following:

No. 4. Governors Succession Amendment.

☐ For

☐ Against

1 The said election on the proposed amendment at each place of voting shall be superintended, conducted and returned, and the result thereof ascertained by the same officers and in the same manner as the election of officers to be voted for at said election, and all the provisions of the law relating to general elections, including all duties to be performed by any officer or board, as far as practicable, and not inconsistent with anything herein contained, shall apply to the election held under the provisions of this act, except when it is herein otherwise provided. The ballots cast on the question of said proposed amendment shall be counted as other ballots cast at said election.

§5. Certificates of election commissioners; canvass of vote; certifying result.

1 As soon as the result is ascertained, the commissioners, or a majority of them, and the canvassers (if there be any), or a majority of them, at each place of voting, shall make out and sign two certificates thereof in the following form or to the following effect:

“We, the undersigned, who acted as commissioners (or canvassers, as the case may be) of the election held at Precinct No. ..., in the district of ..., in the county of ..., on the day of ..., one thousand nine...
11 hundred seventy, upon the question of the ratification
12 or rejection of the proposed constitutional amendment,
13 do hereby certify that the result of said election is as
14 follows:
15 "Amendment No. 4. Governors Succession Amend-
16 ment.
17 "For ratification ___________ votes.
18 "Against ratification ___________ votes.
19 "Given under our hands this _______ day of ___________,
20 one thousand nine hundred seventy."
21
22 The said two certificates shall correspond with each
23 other in all respects and contain the full and true returns
24 in said election at each place of voting on said ques-
25 tion. The said commissioners, or any one of them (or
26 said canvassers or any one of them, as the case may be),
27 shall, within four days, excluding Sunday, after that
28 on which said election was held, deliver one of said cer-
29 tificates to the clerk of the county court of the county,
30 together with the ballots, and the other to the clerk of
31 the circuit court of the county.
32
33 The said certificates, together with the ballots cast
34 on the question of said proposed amendment, shall be
35 laid before the commissioners of the county court at
36 the courthouse at the same time the ballots, poll books
37 and the certificates of election of the members of the
38 Legislature are laid before them; and as soon as the
39 result of said election in the county upon the question
40 of such ratification or rejection is ascertained, two cer-
41 tificates of such result shall be made out and signed by
42 said commissioners as a board of canvassers, in the form
43 or to the following effect:
44 "We, the board of canvassers of the county of ___________,
45 having carefully and impartially examined the returns
46 of the election held in said county, in each district
47 thereof, on the _______ day of November, one thousand
48 nine hundred seventy, do certify that the result of the
49 election in said county, on the question of the ratifica-
50 tion or rejection of the proposed amendment is as fol-
51 lows:
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50 “Amendment No. 4. Governors Succession Amend-
51 ment.
52 “For ratification ________________ votes.
53 “Against ratification ________________ votes.
54 “Given under our hands this ______ day of ____________,
55 one thousand nine hundred seventy.”
56 One of the certificates shall be filed in the office of the
57 clerk of the county court, and the other forwarded by
58 mail to the secretary of state, who shall file and preserve
59 the same until the day on which the result of said elec-
60 tion in the state is to be ascertained, as hereinafter
61 stated.

§6. Proclamation of result of election by governor.
1 On the twenty-fifth day after the election is held, or
2 as soon thereafter as practicable, the said certificates
3 shall be laid before the governor, whose duty it shall be
4 to ascertain therefrom the result of said election in the
5 state, and declare the same by proclamation published
6 in one or more newspapers printed at the seat of gov-
7 ernment, the cost of such publication to be determined
8 in accordance with the provisions of section three, article
9 three, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one
10 thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. If a
11 majority of the votes cast at said election upon said
12 question be for ratification of said amendment, the pro-
13 posed amendment so ratified shall be in force and effect
14 from and after the time of such ratification as part of the
15 constitution of the state.

CHAPTER 24
(House Bill No. 628—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bolansky,
and Mr. Watson)

[Passed February 3, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections three and five, article
fourteen, chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia,
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three and five, article fourteen, chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 14. WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS.

§31-14-3. Authorized capital stock; description of shares; consideration for sale of shares.

§31-14-5. Corporate powers.

§31-14-3. Authorized capital stock; description of shares; consideration for sale of shares.

The agreement of incorporation shall set forth the total amount of authorized capital stock, the number of shares in which it is divided, the par value of each of such shares and the amount of capital stock with which it will commence business and, if there be more than one class of stock, the total number of shares of all classes of stock which the corporation shall have authority to issue, with a description of the different classes and all other information with respect thereto required by section six, article one of this chapter. No corporation organized hereunder shall sell its shares for any consideration other than money.

§31-14-5. Corporate powers.

In furtherance of the purposes set out in section two of this article, and to aid in providing an effective program to alleviate conditions of substantial and persistent unemployment, underemployment, and lack of stable economic development, by taking effective steps in planning and financing economic redevelopment, utilizing such facilities and resources as are provided by the provisions of the federal "Area Redevelopment Act of 1961," as amended, the federal "Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965," as amended, the fed-
eral "Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965," as amended, the federal "Housing Act of 1968," as amended, the "West Virginia Housing Fund Development Act of 1968," as amended, and the "West Virginia Industrial Development Authority Act of 1961," as amended, and in addition to the powers conferred on business corporations by the provisions of this chapter, such corporation shall, subject to the restrictions and limitations herein contained, have the following powers:

(a) To enter into contracts and incur liabilities for any purposes of the corporation; except that the corporation shall not incur any secondary liability by way of guaranty or endorsement of the obligations of any person, firm, corporation, joint-stock company, association or trust, or in any other manner.

(b) To borrow money for any of the purposes of the corporation, including, but without implied limitation, the right to obtain loans under the provisions of "Title V of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958," as amended, or from any other similar governmental agency; to issue therefor its bonds, debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust or other lien on its property, franchises, rights and privileges of every kind and nature or any part thereof or interest therein, without securing stockholder or member approval.

(c) To make loans to any person, firm, corporation, joint-stock company, association or trust, and to establish and regulate the terms and conditions with respect to any such loans and the charges for interest and services connected therewith; however, no loans shall be made hereunder unless the loan applied for is not otherwise available through ordinary banking channels, private lenders, or other governmental agencies, on reasonable terms.

(d) To purchase, receive, hold, lease, or otherwise acquire and to sell, convey, transfer, lease, or otherwise dispose of real and personal property, together with such
rights and privileges as may be incidental and appurtenant thereto and the use thereof, including, but not restricted to, any real or personal property acquired by the corporation from time to time in the satisfaction of debts or enforcement of obligations.

(e) To acquire, by gift or purchase, the good will, business, rights, real and personal property, both tangible and intangible, and other assets, or any part thereof, or interest therein, from any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations, joint-stock companies, associations or trusts, and to assume, undertake or pay the obligations, debts and liabilities of any such person, firm, partnership, corporation, joint-stock company, association or trust; to acquire improved or unimproved real estate for the purpose of constructing industrial plants or other business establishments thereon or for the purpose of disposing of such real estate to others for the construction of industrial plants or other business establishments; and to acquire, construct or reconstruct, alter, repair, maintain, operate, sell, convey, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of industrial plants or business establishments.

(f) To acquire, subscribe for, own, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of the stock, shares, bonds, debentures, notes or other securities and evidences of interest in, or indebtedness of, any person, firm, corporation, joint-stock company, association or trust, and while the owner or holder thereof to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote any such shares of stock.

(g) To mortgage, pledge, or otherwise encumber any property, right or thing of value, acquired pursuant to the powers contained in subdivisions (d), (e) or (f), as security for the payment of any part of the purchase price thereof.

(h) To cooperate with and avail itself of the facilities of the department of commerce and the office of commissioner of commerce of this state, the West Virginia industrial development authority, the federal area
91 redevelopment administrator, and any similar federal
92 and state governmental agencies and officers; and to
93 cooperate with and assist, and otherwise encourage
94 organizations in the various communities of the state
95 in the promotion, assistance, and development of the
96 business prosperity and economic welfare of such com-
97 munities or of this state or any part thereof.
98 (i) To do all acts and things necessary or convenient
99 to carry out the powers expressly granted in this article.

CHAPTER 25

(House Bill No. 600—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarshy,
and Mr. Watson)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two, six, nine and
twenty, article eighteen, chapter thirty-one of the code
of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as
amended, all relating to the West Virginia housing develop-
ment fund, legislative findings and purposes, the addition
of new legislative findings and purposes relating to the
need for long-term federally insured mortgage loans to
sponsors of residential housing for persons and families
of low and moderate income and to persons and families
of low and moderate income, the powers of the fund and
the addition of the power to make long-term federally in-
sured mortgage loans to sponsors of residential housing
for persons and families of low and moderate income and
to persons and families of low and moderate income, and
the addition of the power to take as collateral security, in-
vest in, purchase, acquire, sell and take assignments of
notes and mortgages evidencing such long-term loans, re-
pealing the requirement that the amount borrowed and
evidenced by negotiable bonds not exceed the amount
reasonably estimated, at time of issuance, to be required
for the purpose of making federally insured construction
loans for a period of two years, providing that no negotiable bonds shall be issued to mature more than fifty years from date of issuance, authorizing the fund to borrow up to one hundred thirty million dollars and to issue its negotiable bonds and notes up to such principal amount as evidence of such borrowing, and providing that the aggregate principal amount of such bonds and notes outstanding at any one time, other than bonds or notes refunded or to be refunded, shall not exceed one hundred thirty million dollars.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two, six, nine and twenty, article eighteen, chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 18. WEST VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND.

§31-18-2. Legislative findings and purpose.

§31-18-6. Corporate powers.


§31-18-2. Legislative findings and purpose.

(a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that as a result of public actions involving highways, public facilities, flood control projects, and urban renewal activities, and as a result of the spread of slum conditions and blight to formerly sound urban and rural neighborhoods, there exists in the state of West Virginia a serious shortage of sanitary, decent and safe residential housing available at low prices or rentals to persons and families of low and moderate income. This shortage is severe in certain urban areas of the state, is especially critical in the rural areas of West Virginia, and is inimical to the health, welfare and prosperity of all residents of the state and to the sound growth of West Virginia communities.

(b) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further that private enterprise and investment have not been able to produce, without assistance, the needed construction of sanitary, decent and safe residential housing at low prices or rentals which persons and families of low
and moderate income can afford, to provide sufficient
long-term mortgage financing for residential housing for
occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate
income, or to achieve the urgently needed rehabilitation
of much of the present low and moderate income housing
stock. It is imperative that the supply of residential
housing for persons and families displaced by public ac-
tions or natural disaster be increased; and that private
enterprise and investment be encouraged both to spon-
sor land development for residential housing for such
persons and families and to sponsor, build and rehabili-
tate residential housing for such persons and families,
and that private financing be supplemented by financing
as in this article provided, to help prevent the recurrence
of slum conditions and blight and assist in their perma-
nent elimination throughout West Virginia.

(c) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further
that its intention by enacting this legislation is to pro-
vide for the creation and establishment of the West Vir-
ginia housing development fund, the corporate purpose
of which is to provide temporary financing for develop-
ment costs, land development and residential housing
construction to public and private sponsors of land de-
velopment for residential housing or residential housing,
new or rehabilitated, for sale or rental to persons and
families of low and moderate income; further to pro-
vide long-term federally insured mortgage financing to
public and private sponsors of residential housing for
occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate
income and to persons and families of low and moderate
income who may purchase such housing; further to pro-
vide technical, consultative and project assistance ser-
vices to public and private sponsors of such land develop-
ment of residential housing; further to increase the con-
struction of low and moderate income housing through
the purchase or investment in long-term federal mort-
gages or federally insured mortgages on housing for
persons and families of low and moderate income con-
structed in this state thereby increasing the supply of
long-term mortgage financing and freeing funds avail-
able therefore for use in short-term construction financing;
and finally to assist in coordinating federal, state, regional
and local public and private efforts and resources to
otherwise increase the supply of such residential housing.

(d) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further
that in accomplishing this purpose, the West Virginia
housing development fund, created and established by
this article, is acting in all respects for the benefit of the
people of the state of West Virginia to serve a public pur-
pose in improving and otherwise promoting their health,
welfare and prosperity, and that the West Virginia hous-
ing development fund, so created and established, is em-
powered, hereby, to act on behalf of the state of West
Virginia and its people in serving this public purpose
for the benefit of the general public.

§31-18-6. Corporate powers.

The housing development fund is hereby granted,
has and may exercise all powers necessary or appro-
priate to carry out and effectuate its corporate purpose,
including but not limited to the following:

(1) To make or participate in the making of federally
insured construction loans to sponsors of land develop-
ment for residential housing for occupancy by persons
or families of low and moderate income or residential
housing for occupancy by persons or families of low
and moderate income who are eligible or potentially
eligible for federally insured mortgages or federal
mortgages. Such loans shall be made only upon deter-
mination by the housing development fund that con-
struction loans are not otherwise available, wholly or
in part, from private lenders upon reasonably equivalent
terms and conditions;

(2) To make temporary loans, with or without in-
terest, but with such security for repayment as the
housing development fund determines reasonably neces-
sary and practicable, from the operating loan fund, if
created, established, organized and operated in accor-
dance with the provisions of section nineteen of this
article, to defray development costs to sponsors of land
development for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income or residential housing construction for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income which is eligible or potentially eligible for federally insured construction loans, federally insured mortgages or federal mortgages;

(3) To make or participate in the making of long-term federally insured mortgage loans to sponsors of residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income, or to persons and families of low and moderate income who may purchase such residential housing who are eligible or potentially eligible for federally insured mortgages or federal mortgages. Such loans shall be made only upon determination by the housing development fund that long-term mortgage loans are not otherwise available, wholly or in part, from private lenders upon reasonably equivalent terms and conditions;

(4) To accept appropriations, gifts, grants, bequests and devises, and to utilize or dispose of the same to carry out its corporate purpose;

(5) To make and execute contracts, releases, compromises, compositions and other instruments necessary or convenient for the exercise of its powers, or to carry out its corporate purpose;

(6) To collect reasonable fees and charges in connection with making and servicing its loans, notes, bonds, obligations, commitments and other evidences of indebtedness, and in connection with providing technical, consultative and project assistance services. Such fees and charges shall be limited to the amounts required to pay the costs of the housing development fund, including operating and administrative expenses, and reasonable allowances for losses which may be incurred;

(7) To invest any funds not required for immediate disbursement in obligations of the state of West Virginia or in direct obligations of the United States government or in obligations the principal of which and
interest on which are guaranteed by the state of West Virginia, or the United States government or any instrumentality thereof;

(8) To sue and be sued;
(9) To have a seal and alter the same at will;
(10) To make and, from time to time, amend and repeal bylaws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this article;
(11) To appoint such officers, employees and consultants as it deems advisable and to fix their compensation and prescribe their duties;
(12) To acquire, hold and dispose of personal property for its corporate purposes;
(13) To enter into agreements or other transactions with any federal or state agency, any person and any domestic or foreign partnership, corporation, association or organization;
(14) To acquire real property, or an interest therein, in its own name, by purchase or foreclosure, where such acquisition is necessary or appropriate to protect any loan in which the housing development fund has an interest and to sell, transfer and convey any such property to a buyer and, in the event such sale, transfer or conveyance cannot be effected with reasonable promptness or at a reasonable price, to lease such property to a tenant;
(15) To sell, at public or private sale, any mortgage or other negotiable instrument or obligation securing a construction, land development, mortgage or temporary loan;
(16) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its property in such amounts, and from such insurers, as may be necessary or desirable;
(17) To consent, whenever it deems it necessary or desirable in the fulfillment of its corporate purpose, to the modification of the rate of interest, time of payment or any installment of principal or interest, or any other terms, of any mortgage loan, mortgage loan commitment, construction loan, temporary loan, contract
or agreement of any kind to which the housing development fund is a party;

(18) To make and publish rules and regulations respecting its federally insured mortgage lending, construction lending and temporary lending to defray development costs and any such other rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate its corporate purpose;

(19) To borrow money to carry out and effectuate its corporate purpose and to issue its negotiable bonds or notes as evidence of any such borrowing in such principal amounts and upon such terms as shall be necessary to provide sufficient funds for achieving its corporate purpose, except that no negotiable notes shall be issued to mature more than ten years from date of issuance and no negotiable bonds shall be issued to mature more than fifty years from date of issuance;

(20) To issue renewal notes, to issue bonds to pay notes and, whenever it deems refunding expedient, to refund any bonds by the issuance of new bonds, whether the bonds to be refunded have or have not matured except that no such renewal notes shall be issued to mature more than ten years from date of issuance of the notes renewed and no such refunding bonds shall be issued to mature more than fifty years from date of issuance;

(21) To apply the proceeds from the sale of renewal notes or refunding bonds to the purchase, redemption, or payment of the notes or bonds to be refunded;

(22) To provide technical services to assist in the planning, processing, design, construction or rehabilitation of residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income or land development for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income;

(23) To provide consultative project assistance services for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income and for land development for residential housing for occupancy by
persons and families of low and moderate income, and
for the residents thereof with respect to management,
training and social services;
(24) To promote research and development in scientific methods of constructing low cost residential housing of high durability; and
(25) To participate in the making of or to make loans to qualified federally approved mortgagees and in connection therewith, or independently thereof, to take as collateral security, invest in, purchase, acquire, sell or participate in the sale of, or take assignments of, notes and mortgages, evidencing loans for the construction, rehabilitation, purchase, or refinancing of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income in this state: Provided, That the fund shall obtain such written assurances as shall be satisfactory to it that the proceeds of such loans, investments or purchases will be used, as nearly as practicable, for the making of or investment in long-term federally insured mortgage loans or federally insured construction loans for low and moderate income housing in this state or that other moneys in an amount approximately equal to such proceeds shall be committed and used for such purpose.
1 The borrowing of money and the notes and bonds evidencing any such borrowing shall be authorized by resolution approved by the board of directors of the housing development fund, shall bear such date or dates, and shall mature at such time or times, in the case of any such note or any renewal thereof, not exceeding ten years from the date of issue of such original note, and, in the case of any such bond, not exceeding fifty years from the date of issue, as such resolution or resolutions may provide. The notes and bonds shall bear interest at such rate or rates, be in such denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, carry such registration privileges, be executed in such manner, be payable in such medium of payment, at such place or places, and be subject to such terms or conditions of redemption as such resolution or resolutions may provide.

1 The aggregate principal amount of bonds and notes issued by the housing development fund shall not exceed one hundred thirty million dollars outstanding at any one time: Provided, however, That in computing the total amount of bonds and notes which may at any one time be outstanding, the principal amount of any outstanding bonds or notes refunded or to be refunded either by application of the proceeds of the sale of any refunding bonds or notes of the housing development fund or by exchange for any such refunding bonds or notes, shall be excluded.

CHAPTER 26

(House Bill No. 541—By Mr. Shaffer)

[Passed February 4, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article two, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-six, relating to abandoned refrigerators, food freezers and other airtight appliances; requiring the removal of all entry doors therefrom; providing criminal penalties; and relating to jurisdiction of criminal cases pertaining thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article two, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-six, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON.

§61-2-26. Doors to be removed from abandoned refrigerators, freezers and other appliances; penalties.

1 No person shall abandon any refrigerator or food freezer appliance or other airtight appliance having a
Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than six months, or both fined and imprisoned.

Justices of the peace shall have jurisdiction of cases arising hereunder concurrent with courts of record.

CHAPTER 27
(Senate Bill No. 152—By Mr. Moreland)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article one, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-o, authorizing and empowering county courts to construct, reconstruct, establish, acquire, improve, renovate, extend, enlarge, increase, own, equip, repair, replace, maintain and operate transportation terminals, county and other public facilities and motor vehicle parking facilities; providing that the power and authority conferred upon such county courts may be exercised by such county courts directly or may be delegated to commissions or boards; and authorizing the issuance of county general obligation bonds for such purposes if approved by the voters of the county as provided by law.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article one, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-o, to read as follows:
ARTICLE 1. COUNTY COURTS GENERALLY.

§7-1-30. Authority to construct and maintain county transportation, parking, and other public facilities; delegation of such authority to board or commission; financing.

1 In addition to all other powers and duties now conferred by law upon county courts, such courts are hereby authorized and empowered to construct, reconstruct, establish, acquire, improve, renovate, extend, enlarge, increase, own, equip, repair (including replacement), maintain and operate transportation terminals, county and other public facilities and motor vehicle parking facilities (including parking lots, buildings, ramps, curbline parking, meters and other facilities deemed necessary, appropriate, useful, convenient or incidental to the regulation, control and parking of motor vehicles).

12 The power and authority conferred upon the county courts in this section may be exercised by the county courts directly or may be delegated to commissions or boards created by the county courts for this purpose.

16 In order to pay for all costs and expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, any county court is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the county if the issuance thereof has been authorized by the voters of such county as provided by law.

CHAPTER 28

(House Bill No. 716—By Mr. Hoard)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two-(five), five-(nineteen), five-(thirty-one), six-(five), six-(eleven), six-(twelve), six-(nineteen), six-(thirty-one) and six-(thirty-six), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended,
all relating to the salary and duties of the clerk of the county court of Brooke county, the salary and duties of the prosecuting attorney of Jefferson and Monongalia counties, the salary and duties of the assistant prosecuting attorney of Brooke, Jefferson and Monongalia counties, the salary and duties of the stenographer and clerk for the prosecuting attorney of Grant, Gilmer, Monongalia and Pendleton counties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two-(five), five-(nineteen), five-(thirty-one), six-(five), six-(eleven), six-(twelve), six-(nineteen), six-(thirty-one) and six-(thirty-six), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.

§7-7-2(5). Salary of county clerk—Brooke county.
§7-7-5(31). Same—Monongalia county.
§7-7-6(5). Assistants, stenographers and clerks to prosecuting attorneys—Brooke county.
§7-7-6(11). Same—Gilmer county.
§7-7-6(12). Same—Grant county.
§7-7-6(19). Same—Jefferson county.
§7-7-6(31). Same—Monongalia county.
§7-7-6(36). Same—Pendleton county.

§7-7-2(5). Salary of county clerk—Brooke county.

1 For the county of Brooke, eight thousand dollars.


1 For the county of Jefferson, nine thousand dollars.

§7-7-5(31). Same—Monongalia county.

1 For the county of Monongalia, not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars: Provided, That in addition to all other powers and duties now conferred by law upon such prosecuting attorney, he shall provide all necessary legal services for the Valley Counseling Center, Incorporated.
§7-7-6(5). Assistants, stenographers and clerks to prosecuting attorneys—Brooke county.

1 For the county of Brooke, one assistant attorney, five thousand eight hundred dollars; one stenographer, three thousand five hundred dollars.

§7-7-6(11). Same—Gilmer county.

1 For the county of Gilmer, one assistant attorney; one stenographer, not more than three thousand dollars.

§7-7-6(12). Same—Grant county.

1 For the county of Grant, one assistant attorney; one stenographer or clerk, not more than four thousand one hundred dollars.

§7-7-6(19). Same—Jefferson county.

1 For the county of Jefferson, one assistant attorney, not more than three thousand dollars; one stenographer, not less than one thousand eight hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars.

§7-7-6(31). Same—Monongalia county.

1 For the county of Monongalia, one assistant attorney, not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars; one stenographer.

§7-7-6(36). Same—Pendleton county.

1 For the county of Pendleton, one assistant attorney, two thousand four hundred dollars; one stenographer or clerk, two thousand four hundred dollars.

CHAPTER 29

(House Bill No. 722—By Mr. Jones, of Kanawha)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six-(twenty), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six-(twenty), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.

§7-7-6(20). Assistant prosecuting attorneys for Kanawha county; salaries.

1. For the county of Kanawha, first assistant attorney, not less than six thousand nor more than thirteen thousand dollars; seven assistant attorneys, not less than six thousand nor more than thirteen thousand dollars each; and stenographers and clerks at a salary to be fixed by the county court payable out of the county treasury of said county of Kanawha.
thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.

§7-7-6(35). Assistant prosecuting attorneys for Ohio county; salaries.

1 For the county of Ohio, first assistant attorney, at seven thousand five hundred dollars; second assistant attorney, at six thousand five hundred dollars; third assistant attorney, at six thousand five hundred dollars; one stenographer, not more than four thousand five hundred dollars; second stenographer, not more than one thousand two hundred dollars.

CHAPTER 31

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 533—Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed February 3, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirteen, article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to allowance for expenses of prosecuting attorney and assistants.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirteen, article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.

§7-7-13. Allowance for expenses of prosecuting attorney and assistants.

1 In addition to his salary, the prosecuting attorney shall be reimbursed for actual traveling expenses within his county in the performance of his official duties, and when
out of the state for the purpose of taking depositions in cases in which other counsel is not employed by the court under section one, article three, chapter sixty-two of this code; which expenses shall be duly itemized and verified, and shall, if found correct, be allowed by the county court, or tribunal in lieu thereof, and be paid monthly out of the general county fund.

In addition, the prosecuting attorney and assistant prosecuting attorneys may be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred while attending professional seminars, workshops and other educational functions in or out of the state; any expenses so incurred shall be duly itemized and verified; and shall, if found correct and if prior approval has been granted by resolution of the county court, be allowed by the county court, or tribunal in lieu thereof, and be paid out of the general county fund.

CHAPTER 32

(House Bill No. 732—By Mrs. Smirl and Mr. Fuller)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article eleven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to reducing the population requirement for a county to be authorized to create a county parks and recreation commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article eleven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 11. COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONS.

§7-11-1. County courts authorized to create a county parks and recreation commission.

1 The county court of any county is hereby authorized
2 and empowered, by order entered of record, to create a
county parks and recreation commission for the purpose of establishing, improving, developing, administering, operating and maintaining a county public parks and recreation system or public recreational facilities.

CHAPTER 33
(House Bill No. 751—By Mr. Romine and Mr. Fuller)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two and twenty-four, chapter twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, all relating to the jurisdiction and judge's salary of the common pleas court of Cabell county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two and twenty-four, chapter twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand eight hundred ninety-three, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

COMMON PLEAS COURT OF CABELL COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.


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1 That said common pleas court of Cabell county shall have original jurisdiction within said county of all crimes, felonies, misdemeanors, criminal proceedings, and all matters in anywise relating thereto, and all civil actions, civil matters and proceedings in anywise relating thereto.

Such jurisdiction of said common pleas court shall be general, common and concurrent with the jurisdiction.
of the circuit court of such county in all and every re-
spect as the same is constituted and set forth in section
twelve, article eight of the constitution of West Virginia,
and by the laws and statutes of the state of West Vir-
ginia, except where the matters in controversy in civil
suits or proceedings shall exceed the sum of one hundred
thousand dollars.

1 The judge of the common pleas court of Cabell county
2 shall receive for his services twenty thousand dollars
3 annually, payable monthly in installments beginning on
4 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy,
5 which amount shall be provided for and paid by the
6 county court, out of the treasury of said county, which
7 provision as to salary shall not repeal the existing pro-
8 vision until the said first day of July, one thousand nine
9 hundred seventy.
10 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with
11 this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 34

(House Bill No. 752—By Mr. Romine and Mr. Fuller)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, chapter one hun-
dred sixty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, as last amended and reenacted by chapter one hundred fifty-four, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine; and to amend and reenact section four of said chapter one hundred sixty-eight, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, all relating to the jurisdiction and judge's salary of the domestic relations court of Cabell county.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, chapter one hundred sixty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, as last amended and reenacted by chapter one hundred fifty-four, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine; and that section four of said chapter one hundred sixty-eight, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF CABELL COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.
§4. Salary of judge.

§2. Jurisdiction.

The said domestic relations court shall have jurisdiction within the said county of Cabell, concurrent with the circuit court, of all matters and causes arising out of or pertaining to annulment of marriages, separate maintenance suits, divorce, alimony, the custody and maintenance of children of litigants and the adjudication of property rights arising out of the same, and all other matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand three-hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof concerning domestic relations, habeas corpus proceedings; of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand three-hundred thirty-one, as enacted by chapter one, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, one thousand nine-hundred thirty-six, and of all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the child welfare law; of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly called the general school law; of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and of all amend-
ments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the reciprocal dependency law; of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the adoption law; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the change of name law; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the maintenance of illegitimate children law; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-four, article ten, section fourteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the approval of the compromising of infants' claims for damages; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter forty-eight, article one, section six-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the issuance of marriage license in case of emergency or extraordinary circumstances; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter thirty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and all amendments and reenactments thereof, commonly known as the approval of the sale, lease or mortgage of infants' lands; and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of chapter sixty-one, article seven, section two, commonly known as license to carry weapons; how obtained; and shall have, concurrent with the circuit court of Cabell county, supervision and control of proceedings before justices and other inferior tribunals by mandamus, prohibition and certiorari, and of all matters and causes coming within the purview of all other or future acts of the Legislature touching the
subject matter of any and all said laws and acts, and
the amendments and reenactments thereof, and of the
common law of said state relating to the subject matter
thereof. Independently of any of the foregoing matters,
the said domestic relations court shall also have and is
hereby given what was heretofore recognized as general
equity jurisdiction concurrent with the circuit court,
excepting in cases involving the enforcement of crim-}

inal laws and labor disputes, and excepting cases where
it shall appear from the pleadings that matter or thing
in controversy exceeds in value the sum of three hundred
fifty thousand dollars. The proceedings and modes of
procedure and power and jurisdiction conferred by law
upon the circuit court or the common pleas court in
any and all of said matters and causes are hereby con-
ferred upon and shall be exercised by said domestic re-
lations court.

The court is authorized and empowered to appoint
and discharge one chief probation officer at a yearly
salary of eight thousand seven hundred fifty dollars
and a probation officer at a yearly salary of eight thou-
sand five hundred dollars, which said salaries shall be
paid by the county court monthly, and in addition
thereto the said county court shall reimburse the said
probation officers of their necessary expenses actually
incurred monthly in the performance of official duties
including an allowance of ten cents per mile for their
automobile driven in the performance of official duties.
The court is further authorized and empowered to appoint
and discharge such medical, clerical and secretarial
assistance as shall enable it to discharge all of the duties
required of it under the provisions of this act and the
general laws of the state and such person or persons shall
be paid by the county court monthly upon the written
approval of the judge of the said court.

§4. Salary of judge.

The judge of the domestic relations court of Cabell
county shall receive for his services twenty thousand
dollars, annually, payable monthly in installments be-
beginning on the first day of July, one thousand nine
hundred seventy, which amount shall be provided for
and paid by the county court, out of the treasury of said
county, which provision as to salary shall not repeal
the existing provision until the said first day of July,
one thousand nine hundred seventy.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with
this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 35
(Senate Bill No. 153—By Mr. Tompos)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to create and establish in the county of Hancock
a court of record of limited jurisdiction to be known
and designated as "The Common Pleas Court of Han­
cock County," and defining its jurisdiction, salary and
procedures.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

HANCOCK COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT.

§1. Court created and established.
§2. Jurisdiction.
§3. Contempt.
§4. Judge; qualifications, term and election.
§5. Salary.
§6. Clerk; powers, duties and compensation.
§7. Sheriff; powers and duties.
§8. Prosecuting attorney; powers and duties.
§9. Juvenile officer; powers and duties.
§10. Transfer of pending cases; certification of matters to other court.
§11. Terms of court; maturity of causes; procedure.
§12. Supplies, finances, seal, courtrooms and officers.
§13. Appeals.
§14. Separability; repeal.

§1. Court created and established.

There is hereby created and established in and for the
county of Hancock, with authority and jurisdiction co-
extensive with the county, a court of record of limited
jurisdiction to be known and designated as "The Common

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county of Hancock, with authority and jurisdiction co-
extensive with the county, a court of record of limited
jurisdiction to be known and designated as "The Common
§2. Jurisdiction.

The court shall have jurisdiction within Hancock county, concurrent with the circuit court of said county of causes, matters, proceedings and suits relating to: (a) Adoption proceedings arising out of article four, chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; (b) proceedings for a change of name arising out of article five, said chapter forty-eight, as amended; (c) the enforcement of support of dependents arising out of article nine, said chapter forty-eight, as amended; (d) all civil actions or proceedings at law, except where it shall appear from the pleadings that the matter in controversy exceeds the value of fifty thousand dollars; (e) all cases arising under articles five, six and seven, chapter forty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; (f) appellate jurisdiction in all cases, civil and criminal, from judgments of justices of the peace in said county, police judges or mayors of any incorporated city, town or village, or of any inferior tribunal therein, wherein an appeal, writ of error, supersedeas or writ of certiorari may be allowed; (g) all proceedings under article one, chapter thirty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; (h) any and all other matters arising under the present and future laws of the state of West Virginia, common or statutory, incidental to the foregoing, including, but not limited to, the disposition of property and property interests involved in any such matters, and, as well, the adjudication of any and all rights, titles and interests necessary or incidental to a full determination of all such matters pending in said court.

The court shall have general equity jurisdiction in causes, matters, proceedings and suits before it within its
jurisdiction with power to grant injunctions and to re-
quire and take recognizances.

The proceedings, modes of procedures, power and juris-
diction conferred by law upon the circuit court of Hancock
county in any and all said causes, matters, proceedings
and suits are hereby conferred upon and shall be exer-
cised by the court of common pleas of Hancock county.

The judge of said court shall have the same powers in
vacation as to any and all of said causes, matters, proceed-
ings and suits that are conferred upon the judges of the
circuit court of Hancock county.

It shall not be necessary in any such causes or proceed-
ings to set forth upon the record the facts authorizing said
court to take jurisdiction thereof, but jurisdiction shall be
presumed unless the contrary plainly appears from the
record.

§3. Contempt.

1 Said court shall have the same powers to punish for
2 contempt as are conferred by law upon said circuit court.

§4. Judge; qualifications, term and election.

1 The principal presiding officer of said court shall be a
2 judge whose qualifications, term and election shall be as
3 follows: The person elected to the office of judge or ap-
4 pointed to fill a vacancy in such office shall be a member
5 of the West Virginia State Bar and a resident of Hancock
6 county. Notwithstanding the provisions of section seven,
7 article five, chapter three of the code of West Virginia,
8 one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, per-
9 sons filing as candidates for nomination for election as a
10 judge of said court at said general election to be held in
11 the year one thousand nine hundred seventy may file their
12 certificates of candidacy not later than the twenty-eighth
13 day of February, one thousand nine hundred seventy,
14 which certificates must be received by the clerk of the
15 circuit court before midnight, eastern standard time, of
16 that day or, if mailed, shall be postmarked before that
17 hour. An election for the purpose of electing a judge for
18 the court of common pleas shall be held on the same date
19 and in the same manner as now provided by law for elec-
tion of circuit court judges. At the general election to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, one thousand nine hundred seventy, some person qualified as aforesaid shall be elected as provided by law for the election of circuit court judges to be judge of said court for the next ensuing term of six years beginning the first day of January, next following such election. At the general election regularly held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, one thousand nine hundred seventy-six, and thereafter at intervals of eight years, some person qualified as aforesaid shall be elected to be the judge of said court for the next ensuing term of eight years, beginning on the first day of January, next following such election. The judge of said court may be removed from office for the same reasons and in the same manner as judges of the circuit court and shall be, except as to his term of office and jurisdiction, subject to the laws in force governing circuit judges. If from any cause the office shall become vacant, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as in the case of a vacancy in the office of the judge of a circuit court. Any judge so appointed shall continue in such office until his successor is elected and qualified. Such judge, during his tenure in office, shall not engage in the practice of law.

§5. Salary.

The judge of said court shall, for his services receive the sum of twenty thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of the treasury of Hancock county. The county court shall annually make provision by appropriate levy and appropriation for the payment of said salary.

§6. Clerk; powers, duties and compensation.

The clerk of the circuit court of Hancock county shall, ex officio, be, act as and perform the duties of the clerk of the said court and shall exercise the same power and duties arising within the jurisdiction of said court as are performed by him as clerk of the circuit court. All processes, rules and orders of the court, in the exercise of its jurisdiction, shall be signed by the clerk thereof to be
§7. Sheriff; powers and duties.

The sheriff of Hancock county and the sheriffs of the several counties in the state shall, by themselves or their deputies, execute all processes of said court, issued by the clerk thereof, directed to them respectively, and all processes emanating from said court shall be directed to and be executed by them in the same manner as is provided by law as to processes issuing from the circuit court of said county. The sheriff of Hancock county shall perform the same duties and services for said court as he is now by law required to perform for the circuit court of Hancock county. In the execution of processes, rules and orders of the court, the sheriff shall have the same powers and rights, be subject to the same liabilities, govern himself by the same rules and principles of law and the statutes of the state, as though said processes issued from the circuit court of Hancock county.

§8. Prosecuting attorney; powers and duties.

The prosecuting attorney of Hancock county shall attend the terms of said court, either by himself or an assistant, and shall perform the duties of his office as required by law.

§9. Juvenile officer; powers and duties.

The probation officer appointed by the circuit judges of Hancock county shall attend said court and shall perform the duties of juvenile officer of said court as required by law.

§10. Transfer of pending cases; certification of matters to other court.

The judges of the circuit court of said county may, in their discretion, certify to said court on and after the first
day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, any portion or all of the causes, matters, proceedings and suits within the herein defined jurisdiction of said court pending in said circuit court on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, or thereafter instituted therein, and all causes, matters, proceedings and suits so certified to said court shall be docketed and thereafter proceeded with therein according to law. The judges of said circuit court, in their discretion, may also direct the clerk of said circuit court to certify to and docket in said court all such causes, matters, proceedings and suits properly within the jurisdiction of said court as may be instituted on and after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, in said circuit court. In the event of the absence or disqualification of the judges of said circuit court or the judge of said common pleas court, any matter coming within the purview of this act pending in either court may be certified to the other court, docketed therein and proceeded with according to law.

§11. Terms of court; maturity of causes; procedure.

For the purpose of maturing, docketing, hearing and determining all causes, matters, proceedings and suits properly determinable in said court there shall be regularly continued and held three terms of court each year, beginning on the second Monday in March, July and November. Special and adjourned terms of said court may be called and held whenever, in the discretion of the judge of said court, public interest requires such special or adjourned terms. The judge of said court shall have like jurisdiction and authority in vacation of said court to make and enter such proper orders in any cause, matter, proceeding or suit pending in said court as the judges of the circuit court have under the laws of the state.

The mode of procedure in causes instituted in said court shall be the same as that prescribed for the circuit court in similar causes. The court is authorized and empowered to appoint such additional officers, commissioners, special commissioners, jury commissioners, and such clerical and secretarial assistants as shall enable said court to discharge all the duties required of it under the provisions
of this act and the general laws of the state. Such ap- 21 pointments shall be made by the judge and the appointees 22 shall serve during the pleasure of the judge.

The judge of said court shall have power to make and 24 promulgate such rules for the transaction of the business 25 of the court as may be necessary, but all such rules shall 26 be in conformity with the laws of the state of West Vir- 27 ginia and with the rules promulgated by the supreme 28 court of appeals of this state, and such rules shall be 29 filed in the office of the clerk of said supreme court of 30 appeals.

§12. Supplies, finances, seal, courtrooms and offices.

It shall be the duty of the county court of Hancock 1 county to provide all record and other books and sta- 2 tionery, postage and supplies that may be necessary for 3 said court. Likewise a seal for said court shall be pro- 4 vided and full faith and credit shall be given to the 5 records of the court and certificates of its judge or clerk 6 in like manner and with the same effect as if the same 7 were records of the circuit court similarly authenticated.

The county court of Hancock county shall likewise 9 furnish rooms, furniture and equipment for the prop- 10 er conduct and administration of said court and shall, 11 through annual levy and appropriations, make pro- 12 vision for the payment for all such rooms, supplies 13 and equipment. It shall be the duty of the county court 15 of Hancock county to pay the salary of a full-time sec- 16 retary in the office of the judge of said court, to be 17 appointed by him, whose compensation shall be not 18 less than three thousand six hundred dollars nor more 19 than four thousand eight hundred dollars annually, to 20 be determined by the judge.

§13. Appeals.

Appeals from, or writs of error or supersedeas to, 1 any judgment, decree or order of said court shall be 2 governed by and subject to the provisions of article four, 3 chapter fifty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thou- 4 sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, pertaining to 5 the subject of “Appeals from Courts of Record of Limited 7 Jurisdiction.”
§14. Separability; repeal.

1. The provisions of this act shall be construed as separable and severable and should any provision or part hereof be held unconstitutional or for any reason invalid, the remaining provisions or parts shall not be thereby affected.

6. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 36

(Johnson Bill No. 656—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Potter)

[Pasned February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF KANAWHA COUNTY.

§3. Jurisdiction of court; right of appeal to the circuit court of Kanawha county.

§10. Salary of judges; payment from county treasury.

§3. Jurisdiction of court; right of appeal to the circuit court of Kanawha county.

The said court shall continue to have original jurisdiction within the county of Kanawha concurrent with the circuit court of said county in all suits and proceedings in equity, in all actions of ejectment, and in all civil actions or proceedings at law, except where it shall appear from the pleadings that the matter or thing in controversy in any such civil action or proceeding at law exceeds in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars; and also of appeals from the judgments of justices of the peace in said county in civil cases when such appeals shall be to said court in the same manner and under the same regulations as provided in the general law for appeals from justices and shall also continue to have jurisdiction concurrent with the circuit court of said county as to the supervision and control of all proceedings before justices of the peace or municipal courts of said county in civil cases, by mandamus, prohibition, habeas corpus or certiorari, subject to the right of appeal to the circuit court of Kanawha county, as hereinafter provided.

The court shall also have original jurisdiction within the county of Kanawha, concurrent with the circuit court of said county and concurrent with any other court of record of limited jurisdiction within said county having jurisdiction of same, of petitions or proceedings for the adoption of adults and children. Each judge of said court shall each year forward to the judicial council provided for in article eleven, chapter fifty-six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and without request therefor by such council, his proposals for any legislative or rule changes which he believes will make the administration of justice more efficient.
§10. Salary of judges; payment from county treasury.

1 After the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy, each of said judges shall for their services receive twenty thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of the county treasury of Kanawha county, out of funds of said treasury, in the manner provided by statute. The salary of the judge of said court whose present term began on January one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, shall continue as provided in chapter thirty-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-four, and the salary of the judge of said court whose term began on January one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, shall continue as provided in chapter two hundred fourteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, until the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy.

CHAPTER 37

(House Bill No. 654—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiaraky, and Mr. Potter)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one; and to amend and reenact section four, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred fifteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, relating to the jurisdiction of the domestic relations court of Kanawha county and to the duties and salary of the judge thereof.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one, and that section four, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred fifteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.


§2. Jurisdiction.

1 The court shall have jurisdiction within Kanawha county, concurrent with the circuit court of said county, of actions, suits, causes and proceedings relating to annullment of marriages, affirmation of marriages, separate maintenance, divorces, alimony, the adoption of adults and children, and any and all other matters arising under the laws of the state of West Virginia, common or statutory, incidental to the foregoing, including, but not limited to, the disposition of property and property interests involved in any such causes and matters and, as well, the adjudication of any and all rights, titles and interests necessary or incidental to a full determination of all such causes and matters pending in said court.

14 The court shall also have jurisdiction within Kanawha county, concurrent with the circuit court of said county, of petitions or proceedings for a change of name filed or instituted under the provisions of article five, chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and of statutory summary proceedings for the compromise and settlement of claims by a guardian for injuries to the person or property of his infant ward, instituted pursuant to the provisions of section fourteen, article ten, chapter forty-four of said code. The judge of said court shall each
year forward to the judicial council provided for in article eleven, chapter fifty-six of said code, and without request therefor by such council, his proposals for any legislative or rule changes which he believes will make the administration of justice more efficient.

The court shall have general equity jurisdiction in any causes or proceedings before it, with full power to grant injunctions in matters involving the care, preservation and protection of persons or property in such causes or proceedings.

The court shall also have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court of said county over all habeas corpus proceedings involving children under the age of twenty-one years.

The manner and modes of procedure, power and jurisdiction conferred by law upon the circuit court of Kanawha county in any and all of the foregoing matters and causes are hereby conferred upon and shall be exercised by the domestic relations court of Kanawha county.

It shall not be necessary in any such cause or proceeding to set forth upon the record the facts authorizing the court to take jurisdiction thereof, but jurisdiction shall be presumed unless the contrary plainly appears from the record.


The judge of the domestic relations court of Kanawha county, West Virginia, shall, from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy, receive for his services a salary in the amount of twenty thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of the county treasury of Kanawha county, out of the funds of said treasury, in the manner provided by statute. The salary of said judge shall continue as provided in chapter thirty-three, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-four, until the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy.
AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, chapter twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended by chapter twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred nine; and to amend and reenact section nine, chapter twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred sixteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, relating to the jurisdiction of the intermediate court of Kanawha county and to the duties and salary of the judge thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, chapter twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended by chapter twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred nine, and that section nine, chapter twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred sixteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

INTERMEDIATE COURT OF KANAWHA COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.


§2. Jurisdiction.

1 The said court shall have jurisdiction within the county of Kanawha concurrent with the circuit court of said county, of all felonies, misdemeanors, and offenses committed within the said county; and also of all matters at law where the amount in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs, does not exceed five hundred dollars.
7 And also of appeals from the judgments of the justices of said county when such appeals shall lie to said court in the same manner and under the same regulations, as provided in the general law for appeals from justices; also for the trial of all cases concurrent with the circuit court, for the maintenance of illegitimate children, as provided by chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. And the court shall also have jurisdiction concurrent with the circuit court of said county as to the supervision and control of all proceedings before justices of said county, or the mayor or police judge or police court of any incorporated city, town or village of said county, by appeals, mandamus, prohibition and certiorari. Said court shall also have jurisdiction concurrent with said circuit court, of appeals from the police judge or the police court of the city of Charleston in said county. The court shall also have jurisdiction within Kanawha county, concurrent with the circuit court of said county, of statutory summary proceedings for the sale, lease or mortgage of or trust deed upon the estate of minors, insane persons and convicts instituted pursuant to the provisions of section eleven, article one, chapter thirty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended. The judge of said court shall each year forward to the judicial council provided for in article eleven, chapter fifty-six of said code, and without request therefor by such council, his proposals for any legislative or rule changes which he believes will make the administration of justice more efficient.


1 The judge of the intermediate court of Kanawha county, West Virginia, shall, from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy, receive for his services a salary in the amount of twenty thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of the county treasury of Kanawha county, out of the funds of said treasury, in the manner provided by statute. The salary of said judge shall continue as provided in chapter one hundred sixty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular
session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, until the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy.

CHAPTER 39

(Ch. 39)

(House Bill No. 696—By Mr. Watson and Mr. Fantasia)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, chapter sixty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred nineteen, as last amended by chapter thirty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-four, relating to the salary of the judge of the criminal court of Marion county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four, chapter sixty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred nineteen, as last amended by chapter thirty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-four, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

CRIMINAL COURT OF MARION COUNTY.

§4. Salary of Marion county criminal court judge.

1 The judge of said criminal court shall receive for his services a salary of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars per year, said amount to be fixed and paid from year to year, in equal monthly installments, by the county court of said county, out of the funds of said county, as provided by statute.

CHAPTER 40

(Senate Bill No. 159—By Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two and six, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular
session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five; and to amend and reenact section five, chapter two hundred nineteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, all relating to the jurisdiction and salary of the judge of the common pleas court of Marshall county, and the powers, duties and compensation of the clerk of the common pleas court of Marshall county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two and six, chapter one hundred seventy-two, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, be amended and reenacted; and that section five, chapter two hundred nineteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MARSHALL COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.
§5. Salary of judge.
§6. Clerk; powers, duties and compensation.

§2. Jurisdiction.

The court shall have jurisdiction within Marshall county, concurrent with the circuit court of said county, of causes, matters, proceedings and suits relating to (a) affirmation of marriages, annulment of marriages, separate maintenance, divorce, alimony, the care, custody, maintenance and education of children of litigants and the adjudication of property rights arising out of same, and all other causes and matters arising within the provisions of chapter forty-eight, article two of the official code of West Virginia, commonly known as "the divorce law," and of all amendments and reenactments thereof; (b) adoption proceedings arising out of article four of the chapter last aforesaid, and of all amendments and reenactments thereof; (c) proceedings for a change of name arising out of article five of the chapter last aforesaid, and of all amendments and reenactments thereof; (d) the enforcement of support of dependents arising out of article nine of the chapter last aforesaid, and of all amendments and reenactments thereof; (e) of all civil actions or proceedings at law, except where it shall appear from
the pleadings that the matter in controversy exceeds the
value of two hundred thousand dollars; (f) of all cases
arising under chapter forty-nine, articles five, six and
seven of the official code of West Virginia, and all amend-
ments and reenactments thereof; (g) appellate jurisdiction
in all cases, civil and criminal, from judgments of justices
of the peace in said county, police judges or mayors of
any incorporated city, town or village, or of any inferior
tribunal therein, wherein an appeal, writ of error, super-
sedeas or writ of certiorari may be allowed; (h) all pro-
cceedings under article one, chapter thirty-seven of the
official code of West Virginia, and all amendments and
reenactments thereof; (i) all proceedings by prohibition,
mandamus, quo warranto, habeas corpus or certiorari; (j)
proceedings under section six-c, article one, chapter forty-
eight of the official code of West Virginia, as amended; (k)
all proceedings under article seven, chapter forty-eight
of the official code of West Virginia, as amended; (l) all
proceedings under section four, article ten, chapter fifty-
six and sections eight through fifteen, inclusive, article
ten, chapter forty-four of the official code of West Vir-
ginia, as amended; (m) compulsory school attendance
and truancy arising out of chapter eighteen, article eight
of the official code of West Virginia, and of all amend-
ments and reenactments thereof; (n) the release of per-
sons from jail, as provided by chapter sixty-two, article
ten, section four of the official code of West Virginia, and
of all amendments and reenactments thereof; (o) any
and all other matters arising under the present and future
laws of the state of West Virginia, common or statutory,
incidental to the foregoing, including, but not limited to,
the disposition of property and property interests involved
in any such matters, and, as well, the adjudication of any
and all rights, titles and interests necessary or incidental
to a full determination of all such matters pending in said
court.

Said court shall have general equity jurisdiction in
causes, matters, proceedings and suits before it within
its jurisdiction with power to grant injunctions and to
require and take recognizances.
The proceedings, modes of procedures, power and jurisdiction conferred by law upon the circuit court of Marshall county in any and all said causes, matters, proceedings and suits, are hereby conferred upon and shall be exercised by said court.

The judge of said court shall have the same powers in vacation as to any and all of said causes, matters, proceedings and suits that are conferred upon the judge of the circuit court of said county.

It shall not be necessary in such causes or proceedings to set forth upon the record the facts authorizing said court to take jurisdiction thereof, but jurisdiction shall be presumed unless the contrary plainly appears from the record.

§5. Salary of judge.

The judge of said court shall, for his services, receive the sum of seventeen thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of the treasury of Marshall county, from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy. The salary of said judge shall continue, as provided in chapter two hundred nineteen, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, until the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy. The county court shall annually make provision by appropriate levy and appropriation for the payment of said salary.

§6. Clerk; powers, duties and compensation.

The clerk of the circuit court of Marshall county shall, ex officio, be, act as and perform the duties of the clerk of the said court and shall exercise the same power and duties arising within the jurisdiction of said court as are performed by him as clerk of the circuit court. All processes, rules and orders of the court, in the exercise of its jurisdiction, shall be signed by the clerk thereof to be directed to the sheriffs of the proper counties wherein the same are to be executed in like manner and with the same effect as processes issuing from the circuit court of Marshall county. For his services under and pursuant to this
12 act, said clerk shall receive an annual salary of eighteen
13 hundred dollars payable in equal monthly payments.

CHAPTER 41

(House Bill No. 652—By Mr. Stamp and Mr. Companion)

[Passed February 6, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section nine, chapter one
hundred twenty, acts of the Legislature, regular session,
one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, as last amended
and reenacted by chapter one hundred eighty, acts of the
Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred
sixty-five, relating to the salary of the judge of the inter-
mediate court of Ohio county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nine, chapter one hundred twenty, acts of the
Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred
twenty-five, as last amended and reenacted by chapter one
hundred eighty, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one
thousand nine hundred sixty-five, be amended and reenacted
to read as follows:

INTERMEDIATE COURT OF OHIO COUNTY.


1 The judge shall, from and after the first day of Janu-
2 ary, one thousand nine hundred seventy-three, for his
3 services receive eighteen thousand dollars per annum,
4 to be paid out of the county treasury of the county of Ohio.
5 For the remainder of the current term, the judge shall
6 receive fifteen thousand dollars per annum for his ser-
7 vices, payable as hereinbefore provided.
CHAPTER 42
(House Bill No. 601—By Mr. Stamp and Mr. Grewe)

[Passed February 4, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, chapter one hundred twenty, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, relating to the terms of court of the intermediate court of Ohio county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten, chapter one hundred twenty, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

INTERMEDIATE COURT OF OHIO COUNTY.

§10. Terms of court.
1. There shall be three terms of said court held in each year, commencing on the second Monday in January, April and September. Adjourned and special terms of said court may be called and held as provided for special and adjourned terms of the circuit court.

CHAPTER 43
(House Bill No. 748—By Mr. Sparacino)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, chapter twenty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven; and to amend and reenact section nine, chapter twenty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended by chapter two hundred twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, relating to the jurisdiction of the criminal
court of Raleigh county and to the salary of the judge thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, chapter twenty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, and that section nine, chapter twenty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred seven, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred twenty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

CRIMINAL COURT OF RALEIGH COUNTY.

§2. Jurisdiction.


§2. Jurisdiction.

The said criminal court shall have jurisdiction within the county of Raleigh, concurrent with the circuit court, of all felonies, misdemeanors and offenses committed within the said county, and also for the trial of all cases concurrent with the circuit court, for the maintenance of illegitimate children, as provided by chapter eighty of the code of West Virginia; said court shall also have jurisdiction, concurrent with the circuit court of said county as to the supervision and control of all criminal proceedings before justices of said county, the mayor and recorder of any incorporated city, town or village in said county, by appeal, mandamus, prohibition and certiorari; it shall also have jurisdiction concurrent with said circuit court for the collection of all the recognizances taken by said criminal court, and for the collection of all bonds taken by said criminal court, or the clerk thereof in vacation, to secure the payment of judgments for fines and costs rendered by said court and for the collection of all recognizances and bonds taken by the justices of the said county, or the mayor of any incorporated city, town or village in said county, in relation to criminal proceedings before said justices or mayor; it shall also have jurisdiction, concurrent with the circuit court and county court, of all proceedings
for the removal from office of all county and district
officers, and the same powers to admit attorneys to prac-
tice in the courts of this state as the judges of the
circuit court. The court shall also have jurisdiction
within Raleigh county, concurrent with the circuit court
of said county, of statutory summary proceedings for
the sale, lease or mortgage upon the estate of minors,
insane persons and convicts instituted pursuant to the
provisions of section eleven, article one, chapter thirty-
seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-one, as amended, where the value of the
estate affected does not exceed two thousand five hun-
dred dollars. The judge of said court shall each year
forward to the judicial council provided for in article
eleven, chapter fifty-six of said code, and without request
therefor by such council, his proposals for any legislative
or rule changes which he believes will make the adminis-
tration of justice more efficient.


1 The judge of the criminal court of Raleigh county,
West Virginia, shall from and after the first day of July,
one thousand nine hundred seventy, receive for his ser-
vice a salary in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars
per annum, to be paid in monthly installments out of
the county treasury of Raleigh county, out of funds of
said treasury, in the manner provided by statute.

CHAPTER 44

(House Bill No. 538—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bolarsky,
and Mr. Potter)

(Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section seventeen, article
three, chapter twelve of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating
to liabilities incurred for the expenditure of public moneys
which cannot be paid out of current appropriations; au-
thorizing the department of finance and administration
to enter into long-term lease agreements containing cer-
tain specified provisions; and providing for personal liaibil-
ity.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seventeen, article three, chapter twelve of the
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one,
as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

§12-3-17. Liabilities incurred by state boards, commissions,
officers or employees which cannot be paid out
of current appropriations; long-term leasing.

1 Except as provided in this section, it shall be unlawful
2 for any state board, commission, officer or employee:
3 (1) To incur any liability during any fiscal year which
4 cannot be paid out of the then current appropriation
5 for such year or out of funds received from an emergency
6 appropriation; or (2) to authorize or to pay any account
7 or bill incurred during any fiscal year out of the appro-
8 priation for the following year, unless a sufficient amount
9 of the appropriation for the fiscal year during which the
10 liability was incurred was canceled by expiration or a
11 sufficient amount of the appropriation remained unex-
12 pended at the end of the year: Provided, however, That
13 nothing contained herein shall prohibit entering into a
14 contract or lease for buildings, land and space, the cost of
15 which exceeds the current year's appropriation, even
16 though the amount is not available during the then
17 current year, if the aggregate cost does not exceed the
18 amount then authorized by the Legislature. Nothing con-
19 tained herein shall repeal the provisions of the general
20 law relating to the expiration of appropriations for
21 buildings and land.

22 Subject to the provisions of chapter five-a, article five
23 of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
24 thirty-one, as amended, the department of finance and
25 administration is hereby authorized to enter into long-
term lease agreements for buildings, land and space for periods longer than one fiscal year. Such long-term lease agreements shall not be for periods in excess of forty years and shall contain, in substance, all the following provisions:

(1) That the department of finance and administration, as lessee, shall have the right to cancel the lease without further obligation on the part of the lessee upon giving thirty days' written notice to the lessor, such notice being given at least thirty days prior to the last day of the succeeding month;

(2) That the lease shall be considered canceled without further obligation on the part of the lessee if the state Legislature or the federal government should subsequently fail to appropriate sufficient funds therefore or should otherwise act to impair the lease or cause it to be canceled; and

(3) That the lease shall be considered renewed for each ensuing fiscal year during the term of the lease unless it is canceled by the department of finance and administration before the end of the then current fiscal year.

Any member of a state board or commission or any officer or employee violating any provision of this section shall be personally liable for any debt unlawfully incurred or for any payment unlawfully made.

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CHAPTER 45
(House Bill No. 520—By Mr. Lohr and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed January 30, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article five, chapter ten of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the West Virginia broadcasting authority.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article five, chapter ten of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. EDUCATIONAL BROADCASTING AUTHORITY.

§10-5-2. West Virginia educational broadcasting authority; members; organization; officers; employees; meetings; expenses.

The West Virginia educational broadcasting authority, heretofore created, is hereby continued as a public benefit corporation. It shall consist of nine members, who shall be citizens and residents of the state, of whom one shall be the state superintendent of schools, one shall be a member of the West Virginia board of education to be selected by it annually, and one shall be the chancellor of the West Virginia board of regents. The other six members shall be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate for overlapping terms of six years. The present members of the authority shall continue to serve out the terms to which they were appointed. Any vacancy among the appointive members shall be filled by the governor by appointment for the unexpired term.

The chairman and vice chairman of the authority as of the effective date of this article (March 10, 1967) shall continue in their respective offices until their successors are elected. Thereafter, at its first regular meeting in each year the authority shall elect one of its members as chairman and one as vice chairman. The authority is authorized to select an executive secretary and such other personnel as may be necessary to perform its duties and to fix the compensation of such personnel to be paid out of moneys appropriated for this purpose. The executive secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the authority and shall perform such other duties as it may prescribe. The authority is authorized to establish such office or offices as may be necessary for the proper performance of its duties.
31 The authority shall hold one meeting in July of each
32 year and at least two additional meetings at such times
33 and places as it may prescribe. It may meet at such
34 other times as may be necessary, such meetings to be
35 held upon its own resolution or at the call of the chair-
36 man of the authority. The members shall serve without
37 compensation, but every member may be reimbursed
38 for actual expenses incident to the performance of his
39 duties upon presentation to the chairman of an itemized
40 sworn statement thereof.

CHAPTER 46
(House Bill No. 551—By Mr. Auvil)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article seven, chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact section one, article three, chapter eighteen of said code, all relating to appointment; qualifications; compensation; traveling expenses; and location of office of the state superintendent of schools.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article seven, chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that section one, article three, chapter eighteen of said code be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

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CHAPTER 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS RESPECTING OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES.

§6-7-2. Salaries of certain state officers.
1 Effective on and after the first Monday after the second
2 Wednesday in January, one thousand nine hundred sixty-
nine, the salary of the governor shall be thirty-five thousand dollars per year.

The salary of the attorney general, the auditor, the state treasurer, the secretary of state and the commissioner of agriculture shall each be twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars per year.

The salary of each of the judges of the supreme court of appeals shall be twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars per year.

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ARTICLE 3. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

§18-3-1. Appointment; qualifications; compensation; traveling expenses; office and residence.

There shall be appointed by the state board of education a state superintendent of schools. He shall be a person of good moral character, of recognized ability as a school administrator, holding at least a master's degree in educational administration, and shall have had not less than five years of experience in public school work. He shall receive an annual salary set by the West Virginia board of education, to be paid monthly, and necessary traveling expenses incident to the performance of his duties, the same to be paid out of the general school fund upon warrants of the state auditor. The superintendent shall have his office at the state capital.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three, fourteen, sixteen and twenty-six, article seven-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7A. STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM.


§18-7A-14. Contributions by members.


1 "Teacher" shall include the following persons, if regularly employed for at least half-time service: (a) Any person employed for instructional service in the public schools of West Virginia; (b) principals; (c) public school librarians; (d) county superintendents of schools and assistant county superintendents of schools; (e) any county school attendance director holding a West Virginia teacher's certificate; (f) the executive secretary of the retirement board; (g) members of the research, extension, administrative, or library staffs of the public schools; (h) the state superintendent of schools, heads, and assistant heads of the divisions under his supervision, or any other employee thereunder performing services of an educational nature; (i) employees of the state board of education who are performing services of an educational nature; (j) any person employed in a nonteaching capacity by the state board of education, the board of governors of West Virginia University, any county board of education, the state department of education or the teachers' retirement board, if such person was formerly employed as a teacher in the public schools; (k) all classroom teachers, principals and educational administrators in schools under the supervision of the state commissioner of public institutions; (l) employees of the state board of school finance if such person was formerly employed as a teacher in the public schools.

2 "Members of the administrative staff of the public schools" shall include deans of instruction, deans of men,
deans of women, and financial and administrative secretaries.

"Members of the extension staff" of the public schools shall include every agricultural agent, boys' and girls' club agent, and every member of the agricultural extension staff whose work is not primarily stenographic, clerical, or secretarial.

"Retirement system" shall mean the state teachers retirement system provided for in this article.

"Present teacher" shall mean any person who was a teacher within the twenty-seven years beginning July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-four, and whose membership in the retirement system has been continuous.

"New entrant" shall mean a teacher who is not a present teacher.

"Present member" shall mean a present teacher who is a member of the retirement system.

"Total service" shall mean all service as a teacher while a member of the retirement system since last becoming a member and, in addition thereto, his credit for prior service, if any.

"Prior service" shall mean all service as a teacher completed prior to July first, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, and all service of a present member who was employed as a teacher, and did not contribute to retirement account because he was legally ineligible for membership during such service.

"Average final salary" shall mean the average annual salary earned as a teacher during the last fifteen years of prior service, including military service, as provided herein, or if prior service is less than fifteen years, the average annual salary for that period. If the records for determining each annual salary needed cannot reasonably be established by the retirement board, then the term shall mean the average annual salary of the teacher for years for which records are available.

"Accumulated contributions" shall mean all deposits and all deductions from the earnable compensation of
a contributor minus the total of all supplemental fees deducted from his compensation.

"Regular interest" shall mean interest at three percent compounded annually, or a higher earnable rate if approved by the retirement board.

"Refund interest" shall mean the interest on refunds of the accumulated contributions and deposits payable to former members or to the beneficiaries of deceased members, as provided in this article. The rate for refund interest shall be the average annual rate of interest, calculated to one decimal place, earned on retirement board investments in effect at the end of the fiscal year for which the interest is due, according to the sworn statement of the fund custodian required by section nineteen of this article.

"Employer" shall mean the agency of and within the state which has employed or employs a member.

"Contributor" shall mean a member of the retirement system who has an account in the teachers accumulation fund.

"Beneficiary" shall mean the recipient of annuity payments made under the retirement system.

"Refund beneficiary" shall mean the estate of a deceased contributor, or such person as he shall have nominated as beneficiary of his contributions by written designation duly executed and filed with the retirement board.

"Earnable compensation" shall mean the full compensation actually received by members for service as teachers whether or not a part of such compensation is received from other funds, federal or otherwise, than those provided by the state or its subdivisions. Allowances from employers for maintenance of members shall be deemed a part of earnable compensation of such members.

"Annuities" shall mean the annual retirement payments for life granted beneficiaries in accordance with this article.

"Member" shall mean a member of the retirement system.
"Public schools" shall mean all publicly supported schools, including normal schools, colleges, and universities in this state.

"Deposit" shall mean a voluntary payment to his account by a member.

The masculine gender shall be construed so as to include the feminine.

Age in excess of seventy years shall be deemed to be seventy years.

§18-7A-14. Contributions by members.

At the end of each month every member of the retirement system shall contribute six percent of his monthly earnable compensation to the retirement board: Provided, That in no case shall the contribution of any member employed by the West Virginia board of regents at an institution of higher education under its control, exceed two hundred eighty-eight dollars in any fiscal year.

Such contributions shall be deemed to include the annual supplementary fee of the contributor, determined as hereinafter provided, which fee shall be used to help finance the additional retirement benefit provided for in subdivision (e) of Plan A of section twenty-six of this article. Annually, the contributions of each member, minus his supplementary fee, shall be credited to his account in the teachers accumulation fund. The contributions shall be deducted from the salaries of the members as herein prescribed, and every member shall be deemed to have given his consent to such deductions. No deductions, however, shall be made from the earnable compensation of any teacher who retired because of age or service, and then resumed service as a teacher.

The retirement board shall each year determine to the nearest dollar the amount of the supplementary fee to be paid by each member, so that the sum of such fees paid by all members shall be sufficient to defray one half of the cost of the retirement benefit provided for in subdivision (e) of Plan A of section twenty-six of this article. The amount so fixed shall not exceed
twenty dollars, nor shall it in any case exceed one sixth of the annual contribution of the member. All supplementary fees shall be deposited in the benefit fund.

The aggregate of employer contributions, due and payable under this article, shall equal annually the total deductions from the earnable compensation of members required by this section. All employer contributions shall be credited to the employers accumulation fund, from which fund an amount equaling annually the supplementary fees of members shall be transferred to the benefit fund.

Payment by an employer to a member of the sum specified in the employment contract minus the amount of the employee's deductions shall be deemed to be a full discharge of the employer's contractual obligation as to earnable compensation.

Each contributor shall file with the retirement board or with the employer to be forwarded to the retirement board an enrollment form showing his date of birth and other data needed by the retirement board. Upon notice from the retirement board to the employer that a contributor has failed to file such forms as prescribed, the employer shall withhold the salary of the contributor until the needed form is filed with the retirement board.


The retirement board, on receipt of contributions from teachers deducted and remitted by employers as provided in the preceding section, shall make requisition on the state auditor for an amount equaling seventy-five percent of such contributions. On receipt of the requisitions duly certified, the state auditor shall transfer the amount so requisitioned from the general state revenue fund to the employers accumulation fund, such transfers not to exceed the amount appropriated for the employers accumulation fund.

At the beginning of each quarter the governor shall transfer to the benefit fund one fourth of the annual appropriations therefor.

Annuitants whose annuities were approved by the retirement board prior to July first, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, shall be paid the annuities which were approved by the retirement board. Annuities approved by the board after the effective date of this article (July 1, 1970) shall be computed as provided herein.

Upon establishment of eligibility for a retirement allowance, a member shall be granted an annuity which shall be the sum of either Plan A or Plan B, whichever provides the larger annuity.

Plan A shall be computed as follows:

(a) The actuarial equivalent of the contributions and deposits of the member in his individual account up to the time of his retirement, with regular interest;

(b) The actuarial equivalent of the contributions of the employer up to the time of the member's retirement, which shall equal the sum in subdivision (a) of Plan A minus deposits with regular interest on such deposits;

(c) Where prior service credit has been granted, an allowance of one and one-half percent of the member's average final salary multiplied by the number of years of prior service credited to him;

(d) The actuarial equivalent of the amounts that would have accumulated under subdivisions (a) and (b) of Plan A, if the member had contributed to his individual account until he was fifty years old, at the annual rate of his past actual contributions, but this subdivision shall apply only as additional income to members who qualify for disability retirement before they are fifty years old;

(e) Twelve dollars multiplied by his total service credit as a teacher;

(f) The member shall receive in addition to the allowances under subdivisions (c) and (d) an amount equal to six dollars multiplied by his total service credit: Provided, That the maximum allowance under this subdivision shall be one hundred and ninety-two dollars: Provided, however, That this subdivision shall be effec-
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39 tive on and after July first, one thousand nine hundred
40 fifty-seven;
41 (g) Twelve dollars multiplied by the member's total
42 service credit as a teacher.
43 For the purpose of subdivision (c) in Plan A:
44 (1) An allowance for prior service shall in no case
45 exceed three fifths of the member's average final sal-
46 ary;
47 (2) Average final salary for this purpose shall in
48 no case exceed two thousand five hundred dollars, nor
49 shall it be less than twelve hundred dollars.
50 Plan B shall be computed as follows:
51 (a) Two percent of the member's average salary mul-
52 tiplied by his total service credit as a teacher. In this
53 paragraph "average salary" shall mean the average of
54 the highest annual salaries received by the member dur-
55 ing any five years contained within his last fifteen years
56 of total service credit: Provided, That the highest an-
57 nual salary used in this calculation for members em-
58 ployed by the West Virginia board of regents at insti-
59 tutions of higher education under its control, shall be
60 four thousand eight hundred dollars;
61 (b) The actuarial equivalent of the deposits of the
62 member in his individual account up to the time of
63 his retirement, with regular interest.
64 The disability annuities of all teachers retired for
65 disability shall be based upon a disability table prepared
66 by a competent actuary approved by the retirement
67 board.
68 Upon the death of an annuitant who qualified for an
69 annuity as a surviving spouse or because of permanent
70 disability, the estate of the deceased or beneficiary desig-
71 nated for such purpose, shall be paid the difference, if
72 any, between the member's contributions with regular
73 interest thereon, and the sum of the annuity payments.
74 All annuities shall be paid in twelve monthly pay-
75 ments. In computing such monthly payments, frac-
76 tions of a cent shall be deemed a cent. Such monthly
77 payments shall cease with the payment for the month
78 within which the beneficiary dies, and shall begin with
the payment for the month succeeding the month within which the annuitant became eligible under this article for the annuity granted; in no case, however, shall an annuitant receive more than four monthly payments which are retroactive after the board receives his application for annuity.

In case the retirement board receives data affecting the approved annuity of a retired teacher, the annuity shall be changed in accordance with such data, the change being effective with the payment for the month within which the board received the new data.

An annuity application shall be canceled immediately if the applicant dies before the retirement board approves such application.

Any person who has attained the age of sixty-five and who has served at least twenty-five years as a teacher prior to July one, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, shall be eligible for prior service credit and for prior service pensions as prescribed in this section.

CHAPTER 48

(House Bill No. 677—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Lohr)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article seven-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-six-d, relating to supplemental benefits for certain annuitants under the state teachers retirement system.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article seven-a, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-six-d, to read as follows:
ARTICLE 7A. STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

§18-7A-26d. Supplemental benefits for certain annuitants.

1 As an additional supplement to other retirement allowances provided, each annuitant whose annuity was approved by the retirement board prior to July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, shall receive, upon application, an amount equal to twenty-five percent of his present retirement allowance.

CHAPTER 49

(House Bill No. 625—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Myles)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-seven, article two, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to voter registration transfers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-seven, article two, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

§3-2-27. Registration transfers.

1 Whenever a voter removes his residence from one place to another within the same county he shall request that the change be made on his registration record. Such request shall be made by filling in, and, if he is able, signing under oath or affirmation the necessary form, which may be procured in person or by mail from the office of the clerk of the county court, or from the registrars during the biennial checkup. The form of such notice shall be prescribed by the secretary of state.
Upon receipt of such notice the clerk of the county court shall cause the signature thereon to be compared with the signature of the applicant upon his registration card and, if such signatures correspond, shall make entry of such change of residence upon all the registration records and the necessary transfers in the files. If the clerk of the county court is not satisfied as to the genuineness of the signature on the notice of change of residence, and if the right of such applicant to register is challenged according to the procedure herein prescribed, such transfers shall not be made.

Transfers of the registration record may be made throughout the year except during the thirty days immediately preceding any election, and if any voter shall move from one precinct to another within the county within the thirty-day period, he shall, for that election only, vote in the precinct from which he moved. If any voter shall move from one place to another within the precinct in which he is registered, whether within or more than thirty days preceding any election, he shall be permitted to vote in that precinct, and the election commissioners upon request of the registrant shall make entry of such change of residence upon the voter's registration record in accordance with procedures prescribed by the secretary of state.
particularly to persons eligible to vote absent voters' ballots; absentee voting methods; voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance; assistance to a voter in voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance; voting an absent voter's ballot by mail; assistance to a voter in voting an absent voter's ballot by mail; delivery of absent voters' ballots, forms and supplies to polling places; disposition and counting of absent voters' ballots at the polling places; voting in person after having received and after having voted an absent voter's ballot; challenging of absent voters' ballots; preparation, number and handling of absent voters' ballots; rules, regulations, orders, instructions, forms, lists and records pertaining to absentee voting; absentee voting in municipal elections; recording and disposition of absent voters' ballots in voting machine counties; and providing penalties for certain violations.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three; and section twenty, article four, all of chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted all to read as follows:

Article

3. Voting by Absentees.
4. Voting Machines.

ARTICLE 3. VOTING BY ABSENTEES.

§3-3-1. Persons eligible to vote absent voters' ballots.
§3-3-2. Absentee voting methods.
§3-3-2a. Voting booths to be provided by the clerk.
§3-3-3. Voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance.
§3-3-4. Assistance to voter in voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance.
§3-3-5. Voting an absent voter's ballot by mail.
§3-3-6. Assistance to voter in voting an absent voter's ballot by mail.
§3-3-7. Delivery of absent voters' ballots to polling places.
§3-3-8. Disposition and counting of absent voters' ballots at the polling places.
§3-3-9. Voting in person after having received and after having voted an absent voter's ballot.
§3-3-10. Challenging of absent voters' ballots.
§3-3-11. Preparation, number and handling of absent voters' ballots.
§3-3-12. Rules, regulations, orders, instructions, forms, lists and records pertaining to absentee voting.
§3-3-13. Absentee voting in municipal elections.
§3-3-1. Persons eligible to vote absent voters’ ballots.

1. The following persons who are duly registered and otherwise qualified to vote may vote an absent voter’s ballot in any primary, general or special election in accordance with the provisions of this article:

1. Any person who by reason of physical disability, illness or injury will be unable to vote in person at the polls in such election.

2. Any person who is (a) a member of the armed forces while in the active service, and his spouse and dependents, or (b) a member of the merchant marine of the United States, and his spouse and dependents, or (c) a citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia and his spouse and dependents when residing with or accompanying him.

3. Any person, other than a person meeting the qualifications described in subdivision (2), who is required to be absent from the county in which he is registered to vote during the entire time the polls are open in such election.

4. Any person who has been appointed to serve as an election commissioner or poll clerk in a precinct other than the one in which he is registered to vote.

§3-3-2. Absentee voting methods.

1. An absent voter’s ballot may be voted by mail or by personal appearance at the office of the clerk of the circuit court as provided in this section.

2. Any person described in subdivisions (1), (2) and (4) of section one of this article may vote an absent voter’s ballot by mail; and any person described in subdivision (3) of section one of this article may vote an absent voter’s ballot by mail if (a) his application for an absent voter’s ballot directs that the absent voter’s ballot be mailed to an out-of-county address, (b) the envelope in which his absent voter’s ballot is mailed is postmarked at an address outside the county, and (c) he is required to be absent from the county in which he is registered to vote during regular business hours of the
office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county
throughout the period, or throughout the remainder of
the period, of voting an absent voter's ballot by personal
appearance at said clerk's office.

Any person described in subdivisions (2), (3) and (4)
of section one of this article, and any person described
in subdivision (1) of section one of this article whose
physical disability on the date of the election is antici-
pated by reason of commitment to a hospital, institution
or other confinement for childbirth or other medical
reasons, may vote an absent voter's ballot by personal
appearance at the office of the clerk of the circuit court.

§3-3-2a. Voting booths to be provided by the clerk.

Throughout the period during which absent voter
ballots may be voted in the clerk's office as provided
elsewhere in this article, the clerk shall provide or main-
tain in his office one or more booths or compartments,
each containing a table, counter or shelf, and furnished
with proper supplies for preparing ballots, at or in which
voters may conveniently prepare their ballots, so that
in the preparation thereof they may be secure from the
observation of others.

§3-3-3. Voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance.

A person desiring to vote an absent voter's ballot by
personal appearance may appear during regular business
hours at the office of the clerk of the circuit court of
the county in which he is registered to vote not more
than fifteen days before the election and on any day
thereafter up to and including the Saturday next pre-
ceding the date of the primary or general election or,
in the case of special elections, up to and including the
third day next preceding the day of any such special
election (in computing such third day, the day of con-
ducting the special election shall be excluded), and upon
oral request receive an application for an official absent
voter's ballot or ballots to be voted at such election,
which application shall be prescribed by the secretary of
state and shall be in substantially the following form:
APPLICATION FOR VOTING AN ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE

KNOWING THAT I CAN BE FINED NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR IMPRISONED IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR OR BOTH SUCH FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION HEREIN, I, ________________, hereby declare that I am now, or will have been a resident of the state of West Virginia for twelve months, and of the county of ________________ for sixty days, next preceding the date of the ensuing election to be held on the ______ day of ________, 19____; that I now reside at _______________________, (give full address) in the magisterial district of ________________________, in said county; that I am a duly qualified voter entitled to vote in such election; that I am registered in the precinct of my residence as provided by law; that I am registered as a ________________________, ______________________; (state political party if ballot is for primary election) and that (strike out numbered paragraphs not applicable and complete the numbered paragraph which is applicable):

(1) I expect to be absent from the aforementioned county in which I am registered to vote during the entire time the polls are open in such election, and I am (check one applicable):

☐ A member of the armed forces in the active service.
☐ A spouse or dependent of a member of the armed forces in the active service.
☐ A member of the merchant marine of the United States.
☐ A spouse or dependent of a member of the merchant marine of the United States.
☐ A citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia.
☐ A spouse or dependent residing with or accompanying a citizen of the United States temporarily residing
outside the territorial limits of the United States and
the District of Columbia.

(2) I am required to be absent from the aforemen­tioned county in which I am registered during the entire
time the polls are open in such election for the reason
or reasons hereafter stated, and I am not in any of the
categories referred to in paragraph (1) above:

(here state specific reason or reasons for required absence)

(3) I anticipate commitment to a hospital, institution
or other confinement on or about the ___ day of _____
........, 19....., for the following medical reasons

(as evidenced below by the statement of a duly licensed
physician or chiropractor, and by reason thereof will not
be able to vote in person at the polls in such election.

(4) I have been appointed

(specify whether an election commissioner or poll clerk)
in precinct no. ........ in said election, which precinct
is not the precinct in which I am registered to vote.

In consideration of the foregoing qualifications, I here­by make application for an official absent voter’s ballot
(or ballots if more than one are to be used) to be voted
by me at such election.

I hereby declare, under the penalties for false swearing
as provided in section three, article nine, chapter three
of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, that the statements and declara­tions contained in this application are true and correct
to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant
(or in case the applicant is illiterate he
shall make his mark and have it wit­nessed on the following lines:)

Mark of Applicant

Signature of Witness
If the person applying for an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance be unable to sign his application because of illiteracy, he shall make his mark on the signature line above provided for an illiterate applicant which mark shall be witnessed.

The following declaration must be completed and signed if the reason specified in the above application for being unable to vote in person at such election is anticipated commitment to a hospital, institution or other confinement for medical reasons:

DECLARATION OF PHYSICIAN (CHIROPRACTOR)

I, ____________________________, hereby declare that I am a physician (chiropractor), duly licensed to practice in the state of __________________________; that I last examined __________________________, the applicant whose signature appears on the application above on the ___ day of __________________________, 19___; and that in my opinion said applicant will, because of __________________________ (state medical reasons) be committed to __________________________ (state hospital, institution or other confinement) on or about the ___ day of __________________________, 19___, and will because of such reasons not be able to go to the polls on the ___ day of __________________________, 19___, the date of the election.

______________________________
Signature of Physician (Chiropractor)

The application shall be completed by the applicant in his own handwriting, or in the handwriting of the witness to his mark in the event of illiteracy, in the office of the clerk of the circuit court; in no event shall the applicant remove an application for voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance from said office except when such is necessary to have a physician or chiropractor to complete and sign the declaration of a physician or chiropractor when such is required.

Immediately upon receipt of a completed application for voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance, the clerk of the circuit court shall determine (1)
whether such application has been completed as required by law; (2) whether he has evidence that any of the statements or declarations contained in the application are not true; (3) whether the applicant is in fact duly registered in the precinct of his residence as provided by law and insofar as registration is concerned would be permitted to vote at the polls in such election. If the determination of the clerk of the circuit court as to (1) or (3) is in the negative or as to (2) is in the affirmative, the clerk shall, if the applicant insists, permit the applicant to vote an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance, but the clerk shall challenge the absent voter's ballot on the basis of such determination.

Upon determination by the clerk of the circuit court that the applicant is entitled to vote an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance or in case the applicant determines to vote an absent voter's ballot challenged by the clerk of the circuit court as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, the clerk of the circuit court shall hand to him the following absentee voting supplies:

(a) One official absent voter's ballot (or ballots if more than one are to be used) which has been prepared in accordance with law for use in such election; such ballot in the case of a primary election shall be of the party of applicant's affiliation as indicated on his registration record or in case the applicant is not found to be registered by the clerk but insists upon voting a challenged ballot, the ballot shall be of the party designated by the applicant in his application.

(b) One Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1, unsealed, which shall have no writing thereon except the designation "Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1".

(c) One Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2, unsealed.

The voter shall thereupon retire alone to the booth or compartment provided in said clerk's office for voting absent voters' ballots and there mark his ballot: Provided, That the voter may have assistance in voting his absent voter's ballot in accordance with the provisions
176 of the next succeeding section of this article. After the 
177 voter has voted his absent voter's ballot, he shall (1) en-
178 close the same in Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1, 
179 and seal that envelope; (2) enclose sealed Absent Voter's 
180 Ballot Envelope No. 1 in Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope 
181 No. 2 and seal that envelope; (3) complete and sign the 
182 forms, if any, on Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2 ac-
183 cording to the instructions thereon; and (4) transmit pos-
184 session of sealed Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2 to 
185 the clerk of the circuit court.

186 Upon receipt of such sealed envelope, the clerk shall 
187 (1) enter onto the envelope such information as may 
188 be required of him according to the instructions thereon; 
189 (2) enter his challenge, if any, to the absent voter's 
190 ballot; (3) enter the required information into a record 
191 of persons making an application for and voting an ab-
192 sent voter's ballot by personal appearance or by mail 
193 (the form of which record and the information to be 
194 entered thereon shall be prescribed by the secretary of 
195 state); and (4) place such sealed envelope in a secure 
196 location in his office, there to remain until delivered to 
197 the polling place in accordance with the provisions of 
198 this article or in case of a challenged ballot to the county 
199 court sitting as a board of canvassers.

§3-3-4. Assistance to voter in voting an absent voter's ballot 
by personal appearance.

1 No voter shall receive any assistance in voting an 
2 absent voter's ballot in the office of the clerk of the 
3 circuit court unless (1) (a) his registration record indi-
4 cates that because of illiteracy, he is unable to read the 
5 names on the ballot, or that he has a physical disability 
6 which renders him unable to see or mark the ballot, 
7 the exact nature of the physical disability being re-
8 corded on the registration record, or (b) he shall make 
9 an affidavit at the time he makes application for an ab-
10 sent voter's ballot, the form of which shall be prescribed 
11 by the secretary of state, that because of illiteracy he is 
12 unable to read the names on the ballot, or that he has 
13 a physical disability which renders him unable to see 
14 or mark the ballot, the exact nature of the physical
disability being stated therein; and (2) the clerk of
the circuit court determines that he is illiterate or suf-
fers from the physical disability stated on his registra-
tion record or in his affidavit and that such physical
disability renders him then unable to see or mark the
ballot.

Any voter determined by the clerk of the circuit court
to be qualified to receive assistance in voting an absent
voter's ballot under the provisions of this section shall
be permitted by such clerk to select any person who
is a registered voter in the county in which the voter
is registered to assist in voting such ballot: Provided,
That no person shall provide assistance to more than
two voters in any election in voting an absent voter's
ballot.

Any voter who requests assistance in voting an absent
voter's ballot but who is determined by the clerk of the
circuit court not to be qualified for such assistance under
the provisions of this section shall nevertheless be per-
mitted to vote a challenged absent voter's ballot with
the assistance of any person herein authorized to ren-
der assistance. The clerk of the circuit court shall in
such case challenge the absent voter's ballot on the
basis of such determination.

Any one or more of the election commissioners or poll
clers in the precinct to which an absent voter's ballot
has been sent may challenge such ballot on the ground
that the voter thereof received assistance in voting it
when in his or their opinion (1) either the registration
record or affidavit of the person who received the assist-
ance in voting the absent voter's ballot does not indi-
cate a legally sufficient reason for such assistance, or
(2) the person who received the assistance in voting
did not make an affidavit when required by this sec-
tion to qualify for assistance, or (3) the person who
provided the assistance in voting did not make an affi-
davit as required by this section, or (4) the person who
received assistance in voting is not so illiterate as to have
been unable to read the names on the ballot or that he
did not have such a physical disability as to have been
unable to see or mark the absent voter's ballot. The election commissioner or poll clerk or commissioners or poll clerks making such challenge shall enter the challenge and reason therefor on the form and in the manner prescribed or authorized by this article.

Before entering the voting booth or compartment, the person who intends to provide a voter assistance in voting shall make an affidavit, the form of which shall be prescribed by the secretary of state, that he will not in any manner request, or seek to persuade, or induce the voter to vote any particular ticket or for any particular candidate or for or against any public question, and that he will not keep or make any memorandum or entry of anything occurring within the voting booth or compartment, and that he will not, directly or indirectly, reveal to any person the name of any candidate voted for by the voter, or which ticket he had voted, or how he had voted on any public question, or anything occurring within the voting booth or compartment or voting machine booth, except when required pursuant to law to give testimony as to such matter in a judicial proceeding.

In accordance with instructions issued by the secretary of state, the clerk of the circuit court shall provide a form entitled "List of Assisted Voters," the form of which list shall likewise be prescribed by the secretary of state, which list shall be divided into two parts. Part A shall be entitled "Unchallenged Assisted Voters" and Part B shall be entitled "Challenged Assisted Voters." Under Part A the clerk shall enter the name of each voter receiving unchallenged assistance in voting an absent voter's ballot, the address of the voter assisted, the nature of the disability which qualified the voter for assistance in voting an absent voter's ballot, the fact that such voter made and subscribed to the oath required by this section, the name of the person providing the voter with assistance in voting an absent voter's ballot, the fact that the person rendering the assistance in voting made and subscribed to the oath required by this section, and the signature of the clerk of the circuit court certifying to the fact that he had determined
that the voter who received assistance in voting an absent voter's ballot was qualified to receive such assistance under the provisions of this section. Under Part B the clerk shall enter the name of each voter receiving challenged assistance in voting, the address of the voter receiving such challenged assistance, the reason for the challenge, and the name of the person providing the challenged voter with assistance in voting. At the close of the period provided for voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance, the clerk of the circuit court shall make and subscribe to an oath on such list that the list is correct in all particulars; if no voter shall have been assisted in voting an absent voter's ballot as hereinafter provided, the clerk of the circuit court shall likewise make and subscribe to an oath of that fact on such list. The "List of Assisted Voters" shall be available for public inspection in the office of the clerk of the circuit court during regular business hours throughout the period provided for voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance, and unless otherwise directed by the secretary of state, (the clerk of the circuit court) shall transmit such list, together with the affidavits, applications and absent voters' ballots, to the precincts on election day.

Following the election, the affidavits required by this section from assisted voters and from persons providing assistance in voting, together with the "List of Assisted Voters", shall be returned by the election commissioners to the clerk of the county court along with the election supplies, records and returns, who shall make such oaths and list available for public inspection and who shall preserve the same until their destruction or other disposition is authorized or directed by the secretary of state.

Any person making an affidavit required under the provisions of this section who shall therein knowingly swear falsely, or any person who shall counsel, or advise, aid or abet another in the commission of false swearing under this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned in the county jail
for a period of not more than one year, or both such fine
and imprisonment.

Any person who provides a voter assistance in voting an
absent voter’s ballot in the office of the clerk of the cir-
cuit court who is not qualified or permitted by this sec-
tion to provide such assistance shall be guilty of a mis-
demeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined
not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned in the
county jail for a period of not more than one year, or both
such fine and imprisonment.

Any clerk of the circuit court, election commissioner
or poll clerk who authorizes or allows a voter to receive
or to have received unchallenged assistance in voting an
absent voter's ballot when such voter is known to the
clerk of the circuit court or election commissioner or poll
clerk not to be or have been authorized by the provisions
of this section to receive or to have received assistance in
voting shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon con-
viction thereof, shall be fined not more than one thousand
dollars or imprisoned in the county jail for a period of
not more than one year, or both such fine and imprison-
ment.

The term “assistance in voting” as used in this section
shall mean assistance in physically marking the official
absent voter's ballot for a voter, or reading or directing
the voter's attention to any part of the official absent
voter's ballot.

The term “physical disability” as used in this section
shall mean only blindness or such degree of blindness as
will prevent the voter from seeing the names on the bal-
lot, or amputation of both hands, or such disability of
both hands that neither can be used to make cross marks
on the absent voter's ballot.

§3-3-5. Voting an absent voter’s ballot by mail.

A person desiring to vote an absent voter's ballot by
mail, may, not more than sixty days prior to the date of
any primary, general or special election, make application
by mail to the clerk of the circuit court of the county
in which he is registered to vote for an official absent
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6 voter's ballot or ballots to be voted at such election, except that the clerk of the circuit court shall not honor any such application for an absent voter's ballot received by him after the fourth day next preceding the date of the election. In computing such fourth day, the day of conducting the election shall be excluded. The application to be used by persons who wish to vote an absent voter's ballot by mail shall be prescribed by the secretary of state and shall be in substantially the following form:

APPLICATION FOR VOTING AN ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT BY MAIL

KNOWING THAT I CAN BE FINED NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR IMPRISONED IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR OR BOTH SUCH FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION HEREIN, I, hereby declare that I am now, or will have been a resident of the state of West Virginia for twelve months, and of the county of , for sixty days, next preceding the date of the ensuing election to be held on the day of , 19 ; that I now reside at in the magisterial district of in said county; that I am a duly qualified voter entitled to vote in such election; that I am registered in the precinct of my residence as provided by law; that I am registered as a ; (state political party if ballot is for primary election) and that (strike out the numbered paragraphs not applicable and complete the numbered paragraph which is applicable):

(1) I will be unable to vote in person at the polls on election day because of ,

(state particulars of physical disability, illness or injury)

as evidenced below by the statement of a duly licensed physician or chiropractor.
(2) I anticipate commitment to a hospital, institution or other confinement on or about the ________ day of ______________________, 19______, for the following medical reasons ________________________________________, as evidenced below by the statement of a duly licensed physician or chiropractor, and by reason thereof will not be able to vote in person at the polls in such election.

(3) I expect to be absent from the aforementioned county in which I am registered to vote during the entire time the polls are open in such election, and I am (check one applicable):

☐ A member of the armed forces in the active service.

☐ A spouse or dependent of a member of the armed forces in active service.

☐ A member of the merchant marine of the United States.

☐ A spouse or dependent of a member of the merchant marine of the United States.

☐ A citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia.

☐ A spouse or dependent residing with or accompanying a citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia.

(4) I am required to be absent from the aforementioned county in which I am registered during the entire time the polls are open in such election for the reason or reasons hereafter stated; I am not in any of the categories referred to in paragraph (3) above; I am required to be absent from said county during regular business hours of the clerk of the circuit court of said county throughout the period or throughout the remainder of the period of voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance at said office. ____________________________

______________________________

(state reason or reasons for required absence from county on election day)
(5) I have been appointed________________________
(state whether an election commissioner or
poll clerk)
in precinct no. ______________ in said election, which pre-
cinct is not the precinct in which I am registered to
vote.

In consideration of the foregoing qualifications, I
hereby make application for an official absent voter's
ballot (or ballots if more than one are to be used) to
be voted by me at such election, and request that such
ballot or ballots be mailed to me at the following ad-
dress: ________________________________________________
(give full address for mailing purposes)

(Complete the following paragraph only if assistance
will be needed in voting absent voter's ballot):
I further declare that I will need assistance in vot-
ing an absent voter's ballot for the following reasons
____________________________________________________
(specify illiteracy or exact nature of physical disability,
illness or injury)

I hereby declare under the penalties for false swear-
ing as provided in section three, article nine, chapter
three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-one, as amended, that the statements
and declarations contained in this application are true
and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

______________________________________________
Signature of Applicant
(or in case the applicant is illiterate he
shall make his mark and have it wit-
tnessed on the following lines:)

______________________________________________
Mark of Applicant
______________________________________________
Signature of Witness

If the person applying for an absent voter's ballot
by mail be unable to sign his application because of
illiteracy, he shall make his mark on the signature line
above provided for an illiterate applicant which mark shall be witnessed.

The following declaration must be completed and signed if the reason specified in the above application for being unable to vote in person at such election is physical disability, illness or injury, or is anticipated confinement in a hospital, institution or other place for medical reasons.

STATEMENT OF PHYSICIAN (CHIROPRACTOR)

I, ___________, hereby declare that I am a physician (chiropractor) duly licensed to practice in the state of ___________, that I last examined ___________, the applicant whose signature appears on the application above on the ___ day of ___________, 19___, and that in my opinion (strike out numbered paragraph not applicable and complete the numbered paragraph which is applicable).

(1) The applicant will, because of ___________, be unable to go to the polls on the ___ day of ____________, 19__, the date of the election.

(2) The applicant will, because of ___________, be confined in ___________ on or about the ___ day of ____________, 19__, and will because of such reasons not be able to go to the polls on the ___ day of ____________, 19__, the date of the election.

(Complete the following paragraph if applicant for absent voter's ballot will need assistance in voting such ballot, based upon physical disability, illness or injury.)

I am of the further opinion that applicant ___________ (will)
because of the aforementioned physical
will not)
disability, illness or injury need assistance in voting an
absent voter’s ballot.

Signature of Physician (Chiropractor)

In lieu of the application for an absent voter’s ballot
provided above, those persons specified in subdivision (2)
of section one of this article may use the application for
absentee ballot form recommended by, and issued under
authority of, The Federal Voting Assistance Act of 1955,
as amended.

Upon receipt of a properly completed copy of such
form, the clerk of the circuit court shall process the same
as he would any other application for an absent voter’s
ballot by mail. Any such properly completed copy may
be returned only to the clerk of the circuit court of the
county in which the applicant is a registered voter.

Immediately upon receipt of a completed application
for voting an absent voter’s ballot by mail, the clerk
of the circuit court shall determine (1) whether the
application for voting such ballot has been completed
as required by law; (2) whether he has evidence that
any of the statements contained in the application are not
true; and (3) whether the applicant is in fact duly reg-
istered in the precinct of his residence as provided by
law and insofar as registration is concerned would be
permitted to vote at the polls in such election. If the
determination of the clerk of the circuit court as to (1)
or (3) is in the negative or as to (2) is in the affirm-
to be challenged by the clerk, the clerk shall between
the thirtieth day and the fourth day next prior to the
election in which the absent voter's ballot is to be used
mail to the applicant the following absentee voting sup-
plies: Provided, That the clerk shall not, after the fif-
teenth day next prior to such election, mail such ballot
to an applicant whose address is shown to be outside the
continental limits of the United States:
(a) One official absent voter's ballot (or ballots if
more than one are to be used) which has been prepared
in accordance with law for use in such election; such bal-
lot in the case of a primary election shall be of the
party of the applicant's affiliation as indicated on his
registration card or in the case the applicant is not found
to be registered by the clerk, but votes a ballot challenged
by the clerk, the clerk shall send to the applicant an
absent voter's ballot of the party designated by the appli-
cant in his application.
(b) One Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1, un-
sealed, which shall have no writing thereon except the
designation "Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1”.
(c) One Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2, un-
sealed.
Upon receipt of an absent voter's ballot by mail, the
voter shall mark the ballot: Provided, That the voter
may have assistance in voting his absent voter's ballot
in accordance with the provisions of the next succeeding
section of this article.
After the voter has voted his absent voter's ballot, he
shall (1) enclose the same in Absent Voter's Ballot En-
velope No. 1, and seal that envelope, (2) enclose sealed
Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 1 in Absent Voter's
Ballot Envelope No. 2 and seal that envelope, (3) com-
plete and sign the forms, if any, on Absent Voter's
Ballot Envelope No. 2 according to the instructions
thereon, and (4) mail, postage prepaid, sealed Absent
Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2 to the clerk of the circuit
court of the county in which he is registered to vote.
Upon receipt of such sealed envelope, the clerk shall
(1) enter onto the envelope such information as may
be required of him according to the instructions thereon;
(2) enter his challenge, if any, to the absent voter's
ballot; (3) enter the required information into a record
of persons making application for and voting an absent
voter's ballot by personal appearance or by mail (the
form of which record and the information to be entered
therein shall be prescribed by the secretary of state);
and (4) place such sealed envelope in a secure location
in his office, there to remain until delivered to the polling
place in accordance with the provisions of this article
or in case of a challenged ballot to the county court
sitting as a board of canvassers.

§3-3-6. Assistance to voter in voting an absent voter's ballot
by mail.

1 No voter shall receive any assistance in voting an
2 absent voter's ballot by mail unless he shall make a
declaration at the time he makes application for an
3 absent voter's ballot that because of illiteracy he is un-
able to read the names on the ballot, or that he has a
4 physical disability, illness or injury which renders him
5 unable to see or mark the ballot, the exact nature of
6 the physical disability, illness or injury being stated
7 therein, and in the event assistance in voting is based
8 upon physical disability, illness or injury, a declaration
9 from a physician or chiropractor that because of such
10 physical disability, illness or injury the applicant will
11 need assistance in voting an absent voter's ballot.

12 Upon receipt of an absent voter's ballot by mail, the
13 voter who requires assistance in voting such ballot and
14 who has indicated his need for such assistance and the
15 reasons therefor on his application, and has had the
16 physician's or chiropractor's declaration completed when
17 applicable, may select any person to assist him in
18 voting.

19 The person receiving assistance in voting an absent
20 voter's ballot by mail shall make a declaration either on
21 Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2, or on a form as
22 may be prescribed by the secretary of state, by whom
23 he was assisted in voting his absent voter's ballot.
The term “assistance in voting” as used in this section shall mean assistance in physically marking the official absent voter's ballot for a voter, or reading or directing the voter's attention to any part of the official absent voter's ballot.

§3-3-7. Delivery of absent voters’ ballots to polling places.

1 The absent voters' ballots of each precinct, together with the applications therefor, the affidavits made in connection with assistance in voting, and such forms, lists and records as may be designated by the secretary of state, shall be delivered in a sealed carrier envelope to the election commissioner of the precinct at the time he picks up the official ballots and other election supplies as provided in section twenty-four, article one of this chapter.

2 An absent voter's ballot shall be delivered by the clerk of the circuit court to the election commissioners of the precinct in which the voter thereof is registered or if not found to be registered to the election commissioner of the precinct in which his residence as stated on the voter’s application is located.

3 Absent voters’ ballots received after the election commissioner has picked up the official ballots and other election supplies for the precinct shall be delivered to the election commissioner of the precinct who has been so designated under aforementioned section twenty-four, article one, by the clerk in person, or by messenger, before the closing of the polls, provided such ballots are received by the clerk in time to make such delivery.

§3-3-8. Disposition and counting of absent voters’ ballots at the polling places.

1 Immediately after the closing of the polls on election day, and before the operating lever or mechanism of the voting machines (in counties using voting machines) are locked and sealed as provided in section twenty-four, article four of this chapter, the election commissioners and poll clerks of the precinct, in the presence of each other, shall open the carrier envelope in which are enclosed the absent voters’ ballots for that precinct.
After the carrier envelope has been opened, each of the election commissioners and poll clerks shall examine each of the sealed Absent Voter's Ballot Envelopes No. 2 contained therein, as well as the information contained thereon, the application for such ballot, the affidavits, records and lists, if any, made, prepared or authorized under the provisions of this article which relate thereto, and make a decision as to each ballot whether a challenge is or is not to be made to such ballot. The appropriate form indicating the challenge shall be completed as to each ballot challenged by one or more of the election commissioners or poll clerks. Each ballot challenged shall remain sealed in Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2 and be deposited in the box or envelope for challenged ballots.

The election commissioners and poll clerks shall next determine whether any challenge has been made to any absent voter's ballot by any registered voter in the county under the provisions of section nine of this article. Each such ballot challenged shall remain sealed in Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2 and be deposited in the box or envelope for challenged ballots.

The election commissioners and poll clerks, in the presence of each other, shall then open, in a manner as not to deface or destroy the information thereon, all of the Absent Voter's Ballot Envelopes No. 2 which contain ballots not challenged and remove therefrom the Absent Voter's Ballot Envelopes No. 1. These envelopes shall then be shuffled and intermingled.

The election commissioners and poll clerks, in the presence of each other, shall next open all of the Absent Voter's Ballot Envelopes No. 1 and remove the ballots therefrom. The poll clerks shall write their names on the back of each of such ballots in the same manner as other ballots are required to be endorsed by the poll clerks at precinct voting. The poll clerks shall then indicate with the letter "a" in the appropriate place on the registration record the fact that the voter had voted by absent voter's ballot in that election, and shall enter the absent voter's name on the poll book.
An election commissioner shall thereupon deposit the absent voters' ballots in the ballot box in those counties not using voting machines. In the counties which have adopted voting machines, the election commissioners shall, before locking and sealing the operating levers or mechanism on the voting machines, record such ballots on the voting machine. Such recording of absent voters' ballots shall be done by one of the election commissioners, and the act of casting such votes shall be performed in the presence, and under the careful observation and full view, of all election commissioners and poll clerks, and the votes as indicated by voting pointers fully carries out the intent of the voter as shown by the cross marks on the paper ballots. After the absent voters' ballots have been recorded on the voting machine, they shall be enclosed in a sealed package, properly endorsed, and returned and filed with the statement of returns.

§3-3-9. Voting in person after having received and after having voted an absent voter's ballot.

Any person who has applied for and received an absent voter's ballot but has not voted and returned the same to the clerk of the circuit court may vote in person at the polls on election day provided he returns such absent voter's ballot to the election commissioners at the polling place. In such case the absent voter's ballot shall be destroyed by the election commissioners in the presence of the voter, and one of the poll clerks shall make a notation of such fact as directed by instructions issued by the secretary of state. In the event such person does not return the absent voter's ballot, he shall have his vote challenged by one or more of the election commissioners or poll clerks.

Any person who has voted an absent voter's ballot under authority of subdivision (3) of section one of this article who is present in the county in which he is registered to vote between the opening and closing of the polls on election day, and any person who has voted an absent voter's ballot under authority of subdivision (1) of section one of this article who is or becomes able
to vote in person at the polls on election day, shall go
to the polling place in the precinct of his residence on
election day and vote in person and ask that the absent
voter's ballot voted by him be destroyed in his presence.
In such case one of the poll clerks shall make a nota-
tion of such fact as directed by instructions issued by
the secretary of state.

In the event a person who has voted an absent voter's
ballot votes in person at the polls on election day and
fails to notify the election commissioners and poll clerks
that he had previously voted an absent voter's ballot
in such election and the election commissioners and
poll clerks fail to discover such fact at the time of voting
in person, they shall, following the closing of the polls,
challenge the absent voter's ballot of such person.

The absent voter's ballot of any such person described
in the second paragraph of this section who fails to go to
the polling place in the precinct of his residence on
election day and vote in person shall be subject to chal-
lenge by any one or more of the election commissioners
or poll clerks or by any registered voter in the county
who has personal knowledge that such person was either
in the county between the opening and closing of the
polls on election day or was able to vote in person at
the polls on election day, as the case may be: Provided,
That any such challenge by a registered voter shall be
made by affidavit, the form of which shall be prescribed
by the secretary of state.

§3-3-10. Challenging of absent voters' ballots.

1 The clerk of the circuit court may challenge an absent
voter's ballot on any of the following grounds: (1) That
the application for an absent voter's ballot has not been
completed as required by law; (2) that any statement
or declaration contained in the application for an absent
voter's ballot is not true; (3) that the applicant for an
absent voter's ballot is not registered to vote in the
precinct of his residence as provided by law; (4) that
the person voting an absent voter's ballot by personal
appearance in his office had assistance in voting such
ballot when the person was not qualified for such voting
assistance because (a) the affidavit of the person who received such assistance does not indicate a legally sufficient reason for such assistance, or (b) the person who received such assistance did not make an affidavit as required by this article, or (c) the person who received such assistance is not so illiterate as to have been unable to read the names on the ballot or that he is not so physically disabled as to have been unable to see or mark the absent voter's ballot; and (5) that the person who voted an absent voter's ballot by mail and received assistance in voting such ballot, was not qualified under the provisions of this article for such assistance.

Any one or more of the election commissioners or poll clerks in a precinct may challenge an absent voter's ballot on any of the following grounds: (1) That the application for an absent voter's ballot was not completed as required by law; (2) that any statement or declaration contained in the application for an absent voter's ballot is not true; (3) that the person voting an absent voter's ballot is not registered to vote in the precinct of his residence as provided by law; (4) that the signatures of the person voting an absent voter's ballot as they appear on his registration record, his application for an absent voter's ballot, and the absent voter's ballot envelope are not in the same handwriting; (5) that the absent voter's ballot does not have thereon the official seal of the clerk of the circuit court and all signatures of members of the board of ballot commissioners; (6) that the person voting an absent voter's ballot by personal appearance in the office of the clerk of the circuit court had assistance in voting such ballot when the person was not qualified for such assistance because (a) the affidavit of the person who received such assistance does not indicate a legally sufficient reason for such assistance, or (b) the person who received such assistance did not make an affidavit as required by this article, or (c) the person who received such assistance is not so illiterate as to have been unable to read the names on the ballot or that he was not so physically disabled as to have been unable to see or mark the absent voter's ballot; (7) that the person voted an absent voter's ballot
by mail and received assistance in voting such ballot when not qualified under the provisions of this article for such assistance; (8) that the person who voted the absent voter's ballot voted in person at the polls on election day; (9) that the person voted an absent voter's ballot under authority of subdivision (3) of section one of this article and is or was present in the county in which he is registered to vote between the opening and closing of the polls on election day; (10) that the person who voted an absent voter's ballot had died before election day; (11) that the person voted an absent voter's ballot under authority of subdivision (1) of section one of this article and was able to vote at the polls on election day; and (12) on any other ground or for any reason on which or for which the ballot of a voter voting in person at the polls on election day may be challenged.

Any registered voter in the county may challenge an absent voter's ballot voted under authority of subdivision (3) of section one of this article on the ground that the voter of such ballot is or was in the county in which he is registered to vote between the opening and closing of the polls on election day and may challenge an absent voter's ballot voted under authority of subdivision (1) of section one of this article on the ground that the voter of such ballot was able to vote at the polls on election day.

Forms for, and the manner of, challenging an absent voter's ballot under the provisions of this article shall be prescribed by the secretary of state.

Absent voters' ballots challenged by the clerk of the circuit court under the provisions of this article shall be transmitted by the clerk directly to the county court sitting as a board of canvassers; and the absent voters' ballots challenged by the election commissioners, poll clerks and registered voters of the county under the provisions of this article shall not be counted by the election officials but shall be transmitted by them to the county court sitting as a board of canvassers. Action by the board of canvassers on such challenged absent
voters' ballots shall be governed by the provisions of section forty-one, article one of this chapter.

§3-3-11. Preparation, number and handling of absent voters' ballots.

Absent voters' ballots shall be in all respects like other ballots. Not less than forty-five days prior to the date on which any primary, general or special election is to be held, the clerks of the circuit courts of the several counties shall estimate and determine the number of absent voters' ballots of all kinds which will be required in their respective counties for any such election. The ballots for the election of all officers, or the ratification, acceptance or rejection of any measure, proposition or other public question to be voted on by the voters, shall be prepared and printed under the direction of the board of ballot commissioners constituted as provided in article one of this chapter. The several county boards of ballot commissioners shall prepare and have printed, in such number as they shall determine, such absent voters' ballots as are to be printed under their directions as hereinbefore provided, and such ballots shall be delivered to the clerk of the circuit court of the county not less than thirty days prior to the day of the election at which they are to be used. Before any ballot is mailed or delivered the clerk of the circuit court shall affix his official seal and he and the other members of the board of ballot commissioners shall place their signatures near the lower left-hand corner on the back thereof. An absent voter's ballot not containing such seal and signatures shall be invalid and shall be subject to challenge by any election commissioner or poll clerk.

The clerk of the circuit court shall be primarily responsible for the preparation, mailing, receiving, delivering and otherwise handling of all absent voters' ballots. He shall keep such record, as may be prescribed by the secretary of state, of all ballots so delivered for the purpose of absentee voting, as well as all ballots, if any, marked before him, and shall deliver to the commissioner of election to whom the ballots for the precinct are delivered and at the time of the delivery of such ballots
37 a certificate stating the number of ballots delivered or
38 mailed to absent voters, and those marked before him,
39 if any, and the names of the voters to whom such ballots
40 have been delivered or mailed, or by whom they have
41 been marked, if marked before him.

§3-3-12. Rules, regulations, orders, instructions, forms, lists
and records pertaining to absentee voting.

1 The secretary of state shall make, amend and rescind
2 such rules, regulations, orders and instructions, and pre-
3 scribe such forms, lists and records, and consolidation
4 of such forms, lists and records as may be necessary to
carry out the policy of the Legislature as contained in
this article and as may be necessary to provide for an
effective, efficient and orderly administration of the ab-

sent voter law of this state.

9 It shall be the duty of all clerks of the circuit court,
other county officers, and all election commissioners and
poll clerks to abide by such rules, regulations, orders
and instructions and to use such forms, lists and records
which, without limiting the foregoing, may include or
relate to:

15 (a) The consolidation of the two application forms
16 provided for herein into one form;
17 (b) The size and form of Absent Voter's Ballot En-
18 velope Nos. 1 and 2, and carrier envelopes;
19 (c) The forms and information which shall be placed
20 on Absent Voter's Ballot Envelope No. 2;
21 (d) The forms and manner of making the challenges
22 to absent voters' ballots authorized by this article;
23 (e) The forms of, information to be contained in,
24 and consolidation of lists and records pertaining to ap-
25 plications for, and voting of, absent voters' ballots and
26 assistance to persons voting absentee voters' ballots;
27 (f) The supplying of application forms, envelopes,
28 challenge forms, lists, records, and other forms;
29 (g) The keeping and security of voted absentee voters'
30 ballots in the office of the clerk of the circuit court.
§3-3-13. Absentee voting in municipal elections.

1. The provisions of this article relating to absentee voting shall apply to all municipal elections, except where clearly not adaptable thereto, and the governing bodies of the several municipalities of the state shall by ordinance implement the provisions hereof so as to develop and provide a complete and satisfactory absentee voting system for municipal elections.

ARTICLE 4. VOTING MACHINES.

§3-4-20. Recording and disposition of absent voters' ballots.

1. The recording and disposition of absent voters' ballots delivered to polling places using voting machines shall be governed by the provisions of article three of this chapter.

CHAPTER 51

(House Bill No. 609—By Mr. Auvil)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article fourteen, chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-nine, relating to authorizing county boards of education, the teachers retirement board, the West Virginia board of education, and the board of regents and their agencies to establish group tax sheltered annuity plans for the benefit of their employees pursuant to section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article fourteen, chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-nine, to read as follows:
ARTICLE 14. GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.

§33-14-29. Group annuity plans for employees of county boards of education, the teachers retirement board, the West Virginia board of education, the board of regents and their agencies.

The provision in subdivisions (b), (c) and (d) of section two of this article shall not apply to group annuity contracts issued by insurance companies to county boards of education, the teachers retirement board, the West Virginia board of education, and the board of regents and their agencies. The boards of education, the teachers retirement board, the West Virginia board of education, and the board of regents and their agencies shall be the holders of the master policies under which annuities are insured for the benefit of their employees who elect to participate in a "tax sheltered group annuity plan" established pursuant to section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and amendments and successor provisions thereto: Provided, however, That no such plan shall be adopted unless the board of education first secures the written approval of the insurance commissioner: Provided further, That no group annuity contract shall be awarded, approved or issued by any county board of education without competitive bid.

CHAPTER 52
(House Bill No. 579—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-six, providing for the creation of the West Virginia post-assessment insurance guaranty association; re-
requiring insurance companies to be members of such association as a condition precedent to transacting business in the state of West Virginia; and providing for payment of claims against insolvent insurance companies and the assessment of the cost thereof among insurers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter thirty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-six, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 26. WEST VIRGINIA POST-ASSESSMENT INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION.

§33-26-1. Short title.
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§33-26-17. Immunity.

§33-26-1. Short title.

1 This article may be cited as the "West Virginia Insurance Guaranty Association Act."

§33-26-2. Purpose.

1 The purpose of this article is to provide a mechanism for the payment of covered claims under certain insurance policies to avoid excessive delay in payment and to avoid financial loss to claimants or policyholders be-
cause of the insolvency of an insurer, to assist in the
detection and prevention of insurer insolvencies, and to
provide an association to assess the cost of such protec-
tion among insurers.


This article shall apply to all kinds of direct insurance,
except life, title, surety, disability, credit, mortgage
guaranty, ocean marine, and workmen's compensation
insurance.

§33-26-4. Construction.

This article shall be liberally construed to effect the
purpose under section two of this article which shall
constitute an aid and guide to interpretation.

§33-26-5. Definitions.

As used in this article:

1 (1) “Account” means any one of the two accounts
created by section six of this article.

2 (2) “Association” means the West Virginia insurance
guaranty association created under section six of this
article.

3 (3) “Commissioner” means the insurance commis-
sioner of West Virginia.

4 (4) “Covered claim” means an unpaid claim, including
one for unearned premiums, which arises out of and is
within the coverage of an insurance policy to which
this article applies and which policy is in force at the
time of the occurrence giving rise to such unpaid claims
if (a) the insurer issuing the policy becomes an insolvent
insurer after the effective date of this article and (b)
the claimant or insured is a resident of this state at the
time of the insured occurrence, or the property from
which the claim arises is permanently located in this
state. “Covered claim” shall not include (i) any amount
in excess of the applicable limits of coverage provided
by an insurance policy to which this article applies; nor
(ii) any amount due any reinsurer, insurer, insurance
pool, or underwriting association, as subrogation recov-
eries or otherwise.
(5) "Insolvent insurer" means an insurer (a) authorized to transact insurance in this state either at the time the policy was issued or when the insured event occurred and (b) determined to be insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(6) "Member insurer" means any person who (a) writes any kind of insurance to which this article applies under section three of this article, including the exchange of reciprocal or interinsurance contracts, and (b) is licensed to transact insurance in this state.

(7) "Net direct written premiums" means direct gross premiums written in this state on insurance policies to which this article applies, less return premiums thereon and dividends paid or credited to policyholders on such direct business. "Net direct written premiums" does not include premiums on contracts between insurers or reinsurers.

(8) "Person" includes an individual, company, insurer, association, organization, society, reciprocal, partnership, syndicate, business trust, corporation, or any other legal entity.

(9) "Receiver" means receiver, liquidator, rehabilitator, or conservator as the context may require.

§33-26-6. Creation of the association.

There is created a nonprofit unincorporated legal entity to be known as the West Virginia insurance guaranty association. All insurers defined as member insurers in section five of this article shall be and remain members of the association as a condition of their authority to transact insurance in this state. The association shall perform its functions under a plan of operation established and approved under section nine of this article and shall exercise its powers through a board of directors established under section seven of this article. For purposes of administration and assessment, the association shall establish and maintain two separate accounts: (a) The automobile insurance account; and (b) the account for all other insurance to which this article applies.
§33-26-7. Board of directors.

1 (1) The board of directors of the association shall consist of not less than five nor more than nine persons serving terms as established in the plan of operation. The members of the board shall be selected by member insurers subject to the approval of the commissioner. Vacancies on the board shall be filled for the remaining period of the term in the same manner as initial appointments. If no members are selected within sixty days after the effective date of this article, the commissioner may appoint the initial members of the board of directors.

2 (2) In approving selections to the board, the commissioner shall consider among other things whether all member insurers are fairly represented.

3 (3) Members of the board may be reimbursed from the assets of the association for expenses incurred by them as members of the board of directors.


1 (1) The association shall:

2 (a) Be obligated to the extent of the covered claims existing prior to the determination of insolvency, and for such claims arising within thirty days after the determination of insolvency, but such obligation shall include only that amount of each covered claim which is in excess of one hundred dollars and is less than three hundred thousand dollars. In no event shall the association be obligated to a policyholder or claimant in an amount in excess of the obligations of the insolvent insurer under the policy from which the claim arises.

3 (b) Be deemed the insurer to the extent of its obligation on the covered claims and to such extent shall have all rights, duties, defenses, and obligations of the insolvent insurer as if the insurer had not become insolvent.

4 (c) Allocate claims paid and expenses incurred among the two accounts separately, and assess member insurers separately for each account amounts necessary to pay the obligations of the association under subdivision (a) of this subsection subsequent to an insolvency, the expenses of handling covered claims subsequent to an ins-
solvency, the cost of examinations under section thirteen of this article, and other expenses authorized by this article. The assessments of each member insurer shall be in the proportion that the net direct written premiums of the member insurer for the preceding calendar year on the kinds of insurance in the account bears to the net direct written premiums of all member insurers for the preceding calendar year on the kinds of insurance in the account. Each member insurer shall be notified of the assessment not later than thirty days before it is due. No member insurer may be assessed in any one year on any account an amount greater than two percent of that member insurer's net direct written premiums for the preceding calendar year on the kinds of insurance in the account. If the maximum assessment, together with the other assets of the association in any account, does not provide in any one year in any account an amount sufficient to make all necessary payments from that account, the funds available shall be prorated and the unpaid portion shall be paid as soon thereafter as funds become available. The association may exempt or defer, in whole or in part, the assessment of any member insurer, if the assessment would cause the member insurer's financial statement to reflect the amounts of capital or surplus less than the minimum amounts required for a certificate of authority by any jurisdiction in which the member insurer is authorized to transact insurance. Each member insurer may set off against any assessment, authorized payments made on covered claims and expenses incurred in the payment of such claims by the member insurer if they are chargeable to the account for which the assessment is made.

(d) Investigate claims brought against the association and adjust, compromise, settle, and pay covered claims to the extent of the association's obligation and deny all other claims and may review settlements, releases and judgments to which the insolvent insurer or its insureds were parties to determine the extent to which such settlements, releases and judgments may be properly contested.
(e) Notify such persons as the commissioner directs under subsection (2), section ten of this article.

(f) Handle claims through its employees or through one or more insurers or other persons designated as servicing facilities. Designation of a servicing facility is subject to the approval of the commissioner, but such designation may be declined by a member insurer.

(g) Reimburse each servicing facility for obligations of the association paid by the facility and for expenses incurred by the facility while handling claims on behalf of the association and shall pay the other expenses of the association authorized by this article.

(2) The association may:

(a) Employ or retain such persons as are necessary to handle claims and perform other duties of the association.

(b) Borrow funds necessary to effect the purposes of this article in accord with the plan of operation.

(c) Sue or be sued.

(d) Negotiate and become a party to such contracts as are necessary to carry out the purpose of this article.

(e) Perform such other acts as are necessary or proper to effectuate the purpose of this article.

(f) Refund to the member insurers in proportion to the contribution of each member insurer to an account that amount by which the assets of the account exceed the liabilities, if, at the end of any calendar year, the board of directors finds that the assets of the association in any account exceed the liabilities of that account as estimated by the board of directors for the coming year.


1 (1) The association shall:

2 (a) Submit to the commissioner a plan of operation and any amendments thereto necessary or suitable to assure the fair, reasonable, and equitable administration of the association. The plan of operation and any amendments thereto shall become effective upon approval in writing by the commissioner.
(b) If the association fails to submit a suitable plan of operation within ninety days following the effective date of this article or if at any time thereafter the association fails to submit suitable amendments to the plan, the commissioner shall, after notice and hearing, adopt and promulgate such reasonable rules as are necessary or advisable to effectuate the provisions of this article. Such rules shall continue in force until modified by the commissioner or superseded by a plan submitted by the association and approved by the commissioner. All such rules shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.

(2) All member insurers shall comply with the plan of operation.

(3) The plan of operation shall:
   (a) Establish the procedures whereby all the powers and duties of the association under section eight of this article will be performed.
   (b) Establish procedures for handling assets of the association.
   (c) Establish the amount and method of reimbursing members of the board of directors under section seven of this article.
   (d) Establish procedures by which claims may be filed with the association and establish acceptable forms of proof of covered claims. Notice of claims to the receiver of the insolvent insurer shall be deemed notice to the association or its agent and a list of such claims shall be periodically submitted to the association or similar organization in another state by the receiver.
   (e) Establish regular places and times for meetings of the board of directors.
   (f) Establish procedures for records to be kept of all financial transactions of the association, its agents, and the board of directors.
   (g) Provide that any member insurer aggrieved by a final action or decision of the association may appeal to the commissioner within thirty days after the action or decision.
(h) Establish the procedures whereby selections for the board of directors will be submitted to the commissioner.

(i) Contain additional provisions necessary or proper for the execution of the powers and duties of the association.

(4) The plan of operation may provide that any or all powers and duties of the association, except those under subdivision (c), subsection (1), section eight, and subdivision (b), subsection (2), section eight of this article are delegated to a corporation, association or other organization which performs or will perform functions similar to those of this association, or its equivalent, in two or more states. Such a corporation, association or organization shall be reimbursed as a servicing facility would be reimbursed and shall be paid for its performance of any other functions of the association. A delegation under this subsection shall take effect only with the approval of both the board of directors and the commissioner, and may be made only to a corporation, association, or organization which extends protection not substantially less favorable and effective than that provided by this article.

§33-26-10. Duties and powers of the commissioner.

1 (1) The commissioner shall:
2 (a) Notify the association of the existence of an insolvent insurer not later than three days after he receives notice of the determination of the insolvency.
3 (b) Upon request of the board of directors, provide the association a statement of the net direct written premiums of each member insurer.

(2) The commissioner may:
9 (a) Require that the association notify the insureds of the insolvent insurer and any other interested parties of the determination of insolvency and of their rights under this article. Such notification shall be by mail at their last known address, where available, but if sufficient information for notification by mail is not
available, notice by publication in a newspaper of general
circulation shall be sufficient.

(b) Suspend or revoke, after notice and hearing,
the certificate of authority to transact insurance in this
state of any member insurer which fails to pay an
assessment when due or fails to comply with the plan
of operation. As an alternative, the commissioner may
levy a fine on any member insurer which fails to pay an
assessment when due. Such fine shall not exceed five
percent of the unpaid assessment per month, except that
no fine shall be less than one hundred dollars per
month.

(c) Revoke the designation of any servicing facility
if he finds claims are being handled unsatisfactorily.

(3) Any final order of the commissioner under this
article shall be subject to judicial review as provided
by section fourteen, article two of this chapter.

§33-26-11. Effect of paid claims.

(1) Any person recovering under this article shall
be deemed to have assigned his rights under the policy
to the association to the extent of his recovery from the
association. Every insured or claimant seeking the pro-
tection of this article shall cooperate with the associa-
tion to the same extent as such person would have been
required to cooperate with the insolvent insurer. The
association shall have no cause of action against the
insured of the insolvent insurer for any sums it has
paid out except such causes of action as the insolvent
insurer would have had if such sums had been paid by
the insolvent insurer. In the case of an insolvent in-
surer operating on a plan whereby insurance policies
with assessment liability have been issued to insureds,
payments of claims by the association shall not operate
to reduce the liability of such insureds to the receiver
for unpaid assessments.

(2) The receiver of an insolvent insurer shall be
bound by settlements of covered claims by the associa-
tion or a similar organization in another state, subject
to the approval of the court having jurisdiction of the
receivership. The court having jurisdiction shall grant such claims priority equal to that to which the claimant would have been entitled, in the absence of this article, against the assets of the insolvent insurer. The expenses of the association or similar organization in handling claims shall be accorded the same priority as the receiver's expenses.

(3) The association shall periodically file with the receiver of the insolvent insurer statements of the covered claims paid by the association and estimates of anticipated claims against the association which shall preserve the rights of the association against the assets of the insolvent insurer.

§33-26-12. Nonduplication of recovery.

1 (1) Any person having a claim against a solvent insurer under any provision in an insurance policy other than a policy of an insolvent insurer, which is also a covered claim, shall be required to exhaust first his right under such solvent insurer's policy. Any amount payable on a covered claim under this article shall be reduced by the amount of any recovery under such solvent insurer's policy.

2 (2) Any person having a claim which may be recovered under more than one insurance guaranty association or its equivalent shall seek recovery first from the association of the place of residence of the insured except that if it is a first party claim for damage to property with a permanent location, he shall seek recovery first from the association of the location of the property. Any recovery under this article shall be reduced by the amount of the recovery from any other insurance guaranty association or its equivalent.


1 To aid in the detection and prevention of insurer insolvencies:

2 (1) It shall be the duty of the board of directors, upon majority vote, to notify the commissioner of any information indicating that any member insurer may
be insolvent or in a financial condition hazardous to the policyholders or the public.

(2) The board of directors may, upon majority vote, request that the commissioner order an examination of any member insurer which the board in good faith believes may be in a financial condition hazardous to the policyholders or the public. Within thirty days of the receipt of such request, the commissioner shall begin such examination. The examination may be conducted as a national association of insurance commissioners' examination or may be conducted by such persons as the commissioner designates. The cost of such examination shall be paid by the association and the examination report shall be treated as are other examination reports. In no event shall such examination report be released to the board of directors prior to its release to the public, but this shall not preclude the commissioner from complying with subdivision (3) of this section. The commissioner shall notify the board of directors when the examination is completed. The request for an examination shall be kept on file by the commissioner but it shall not be open to public inspection prior to the release of the examination report to the public.

(3) It shall be the duty of the commissioner to report to the board of directors when he has reasonable cause to believe that any member insurer examined or being examined at the request of the board of directors may be insolvent or in a financial condition hazardous to the policyholders or the public.

(4) The board of directors may, upon majority vote, make reports and recommendations to the commissioner upon any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation or conservation of any member insurer. Such reports and recommendations shall not be considered public documents.

(5) The board of directors may, upon majority vote, make recommendations to the commissioner for the detection and prevention of insurer insolvencies.

(6) The board of directors shall, at the conclusion of any insurer insolvency in which the association was
§33-26-14. Examination of association; financial report.
1 The association shall be subject to examination and 
2 regulation by the commissioner. The board of directors 
3 shall submit, not later than March thirtieth of each year, 
4 a financial report for the preceding calendar year, in a 
5 form approved by the commissioner.

§33-26-15. Tax exemption.
1 The association shall be exempt from payment of all 
2 fees and all taxes levied by this state or any of its sub-
3 divisions except taxes levied on real or personal prop-
4 erty.

1 The rates and premiums charged for insurance policies 
2 to which this article applies shall include amounts suf-
3 ficient to recoup a sum equal to the amounts paid to the 
4 association by the member insurer less any amounts re-
5 turned to the member insurer by the association and 
6 such rates shall not be deemed excessive because they 
7 contain an amount reasonably calculated to recoup 
8 assessments paid by the member insurer.

§33-26-17. Immunity.
1 There shall be no liability on the part of and no cause 
2 of action of any nature shall arise against any member 
3 insurer, the association or its agents or employees, the 
4 board of directors, or the commissioner or his repre-
5 sentatives for any action taken by them in the exercise 
6 and performance of their powers and duties under this 
7 article.

§33-26-18. Stay of proceedings; reopening of default judg-
1 ments.
1 All proceedings in which the insolvent insurer is a 
2 party or obligated to defend a party in any court in this 
3 state shall be stayed for sixty days from the date the
insolvency is determined to permit proper defense by
the association of all pending causes of action. As to any
covered claims arising from a judgment under any order,
decision, verdict or finding based on the default of the
insolvent insurer or its wrongful failure to defend an
insured, the association either on its own behalf or on
behalf of such insured may apply to have such judgment,
order, decision, verdict or finding set aside by the same
court or administrator that made such judgment, order,
decision, verdict or finding and shall be permitted to de-
 fend against such claim on the merits.


In the event any part or provision of this article be
held to be unconstitutional by any court of competent
jurisdiction, such holding and decision of the court shall
not affect the validity and constitutionality of the
remaining parts and provisions of this article.

CHAPTER 53

(House Bill No. 535—By Mr. Savilla and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 5, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section nine, article six, chapter
twelve of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the invest-
ments of the state board of investments.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nine, article six, chapter twelve of the code of
West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as
amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 6. WEST VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS.

§12-6-9. Investments for periods in excess of one year.

Notwithstanding the restrictions which may otherwise
be provided by law as to the securities in which funds may
be invested, funds made available for investment for periods in excess of one year may be invested by the board, without the approval of any other state agency or official other than as required in section six of this article, in the following classes of securities, and not otherwise:

(a) Securities of the United States or agency thereof, or those guaranteed by, or for which the credit of the United States or agency thereof is pledged for the payment of the principal and interest thereof.

(b) Direct general obligation securities of this state, or any other state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, unconditionally guaranteed as to the principal and interest by such other state or territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia: Provided, That (1) such other state, territory, or the District of Columbia has the power to levy taxes for the payment of the principal and interest of such securities, and (2) at the time of investment such other state, territory, or the District of Columbia is not in default in the payment of any part of the principal or interest owing by it upon any part of its funded indebtedness.

(c) Securities issued by a federal land bank, or by a federal intermediate credit bank, under the act of Congress of July seventeen, one thousand nine hundred sixteen, known as the "Federal Farm Loan Act," as amended or supplemented from time to time, or by the Federal Home Loan Bank System, Federal National Mortgage Association, or banks for cooperatives.

(d) Securities issued, assumed or unconditionally guaranteed by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, or Tennessee Valley Authority.

(e) Any fixed interest bond, note or debenture of any corporation organized and operating within the United States: Provided, That such corporation shall have a minimum net worth of fifteen million dollars and its securities or its parent corporation's securities are listed on one or more of the national stock exchanges: Provided, however, That (1) such corporation has earned a profit in eight of the preceding ten fiscal years as re-
flected in its statements, and (2) such corporation has not defaulted in the payment of principal or interest on any of its outstanding funded indebtedness during its preceeding ten fiscal years, and (3) the bonds, notes or debentures of such corporation to be purchased are rated "AA" or the equivalent thereof or better than "AA" or the equivalent thereof by at least two or more nationally recognized rating services, such as Standard and Poor's, Dun & Bradstreet, or Moody's.

(f) Any security that is secured by a first lien deed of trust or mortgage on real property situate within this state, and that is either (1) insured by the Federal Housing Administration pursuant to provisions of the National Housing Act, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or (2) guaranteed by the veterans administration pursuant to provisions of Title 38, United States Code, relating to veterans benefits, as amended or supplemented from time to time: Provided, That the board shall not purchase any such security from anyone other than a Federal Housing Administration approved mortgagee. To facilitate and encourage the offering of such securities to the board for its investment therein, the board shall have the power and authority to make to any federal housing administration approved mortgagee, at any time, an advance written commitment and obligation, binding upon the board and its funds, for the future purchase of such securities in such amount or amounts, at such price or prices, and at such future time or times as the board may in its discretion deem to be for the best interests of the fund, and all purchases of such securities shall be made pursuant to such a commitment and obligation: Provided, however, That the board shall make no commitment and obligation to purchase any such securities except in specified amounts of two hundred fifty thousand dollars or more as the aggregate of the unpaid principal balances owing on such securities at the time of purchase thereof. No such commitment and obligation shall be valid or binding for more than eighteen months after the date thereof. To facilitate preservation of the value of such securities and of the real property securing the same, the board shall have the further power
and authority to make with any federal housing administra-
tion approved mortgagee from whom such a security is 
purchased a contract under which the mortgagee shall be 
authorized, empowered and obligated to service a loan 
represented by the security, and to pay such mortgagee 
for its services a monthly fee not in excess of the rate 
of one twelfth of one half of one per centum per annum 
of the unpaid principal balance of the loan represented 
by the security.

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CHAPTER 54

(House Bill No. 517—By Mr. Seibert and Mrs. Withrow)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article nine, chapter twenty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to licensing of facilities by mental health.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article nine, chapter twenty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 9. LICENSING OF HOSPITALS.

§27-9-1. License from director of mental health; regulations.

1 No hospital, center or institution, or part thereof, to provide inpatient, outpatient or other service designed to contribute to the care and treatment of the mentally ill or mentally retarded, or prevention of such disorders, shall be established, maintained or operated by any political subdivision or by any person, persons, association or corporation unless a license therefor shall be first obtained from the director of mental health. The application for such license shall be accompanied by a plan of the premises to be occupied, and such other data and facts that the director may require. He may make such
terms and regulations in regard to the conduct of such
table, center or institution, or part thereof, as he may
think proper and necessary. He, or any person autho-
ized by him, shall have authority to investigate and in-
spect such hospital, center or institution, or part thereof;
and the director of mental health may revoke the license
of any such hospital, center or institution, or part thereof,
for good cause after reasonable notice to the superinten-
dent or other person in charge thereof.

CHAPTER 55

(Senate Bill No. 202—By Mr. Jackson, Mr. President,
and Mr. Holliday)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

AN ACT to amend chapter twenty-seven of the code of West
Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amend-
ed, by adding thereto a new article, designated article
fifteen, relating to the entry of the state of West Virginia
into an interstate compact on the mentally disordered
offender.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter twenty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended
by adding thereto a new article, designated article fifteen, to
read as follows:

ARTICLE 15. INTERSTATE COMPACT ON THE MENTALLY DIS-
ORDERED OFFENDER.

§27-15-2. Who may enter into contracts under compact.

1 The interstate compact on the mentally disordered
2 offender, hereinafter called "the compact," is hereby
3 ratified, enacted into law and entered into with all juris-
INTERSTATE COMPACT ON THE MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDER

Article I. Purpose and policy.

(a) The party states, desiring by common action to improve their programs for the care and treatment of mentally disordered offenders, declare that it is the policy of each of the party states to:

1. Strengthen their own programs and laws for the care and treatment of the mentally disordered offender.
2. Encourage and provide for such care and treatment in the most appropriate locations, giving due recognition to the need to achieve adequacy of diagnosis, care, treatment, aftercare and auxiliary services and facilities and, to every extent practicable, to do so in geographic locations convenient for providing a therapeutic environment.
3. Authorize cooperation among the party states in providing services and facilities, when it is found that cooperative programs can be more effective and efficient than programs separately pursued.
4. Place each mentally disordered offender in a legal status which will facilitate his care, treatment and rehabilitation.
5. Authorize research and training of personnel on a cooperative basis, in order to improve the quality or quantity of personnel available for the proper staffing of programs, services and facilities for mentally disordered offenders.
6. Care for and treat mentally disordered offenders under conditions which will improve the public safety.

(b) Within the policies set forth in this article, it is the purpose of this compact to:

1. Authorize negotiation, entry into, and operations under contractual arrangements among any two or more of the party states for the establishment and maintenance of cooperative programs in any one or more of the fields
(2) Set the limits within which such contracts may operate, so as to assure protection of the civil rights of mentally disordered offenders and protection of the rights and obligations of the public and of the party states.

(3) Facilitate the proper disposition of criminal charges pending against mentally disordered offenders, so that programs for their care, treatment and rehabilitation may be carried on efficiently.

**Article II. Definitions.**

As used in this compact:

(a) "Mentally disordered offender" means a person who has been determined, by adjudication or other method legally sufficient for the purpose in the party state where the determination is made, to be mentally ill and:

(1) Is under sentence for the commission of crime; or

(2) Who is confined or committed on account of the commission of an offense for which, in the absence of mental illness, said person would be subject to incarceration in a penal or correctional facility.

(b) "Patient" means a mentally disordered offender who is cared for, treated, or transferred pursuant to this compact.

(c) "Sending state" means a state party to this compact in which the mentally disordered offender was convicted; or the state in which he would be subject to trial on or conviction of an offense, except for his mental condition; or, within the meaning of Article V of this compact, the state whose authorities have filed a petition in connection with an untried indictment, information or complaint.

(d) "Receiving state" means a state party to this compact to which a mentally disordered offender is sent for care, aftercare, treatment or rehabilitation, or within the meaning of Article V of this compact, the state in which a petition in connection with an untried indictment, information or complaint has been filed.
Article III. Contracts.

(a) Each party state may make one or more contracts with any one or more of the other party states for the care and treatment of mentally disordered offenders on behalf of a sending state in facilities situated in receiving states, or for the participation of such mentally disordered offenders in programs of aftercare on conditional release administered by the receiving state. Any such contract shall provide for:

(1) Its duration.

(2) Payments to be made to the receiving state by the sending state for patient care, treatment and extraordinary services, if any.

(3) Determination of responsibility for ordering or permitting the furnishing of extraordinary services, if any.

(4) Participation in compensated activities, if any, available to patients; the disposition or crediting of any payment received by patients on account thereof; and the crediting of proceeds from or disposal of any products resulting therefrom.

(5) Delivery and retaking of mentally disordered offenders.

(6) Such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate to fix the obligations, responsibilities and rights of the sending and receiving states.

(b) Prior to the construction or completion of construction of any facility for mentally disordered offenders or addition to such facility by a party state, any other party state or states may contract therewith for the enlargement of the planned capacity of the facility or addition thereto, or for the inclusion therein of particular equipment or structures, and for the reservation of a specific per centum of the capacity of the facility to be kept available for use by patients of the sending state or states so contracting. Any sending state so contracting may, to the extent that moneys are legally available therefor, pay to the receiving state, a reasonable sum as consideration for such enlargement of capacity, or provision of equipment or structures, and reservation of capacity. Such payment
may be in a lump sum or in installments as provided in
the contract.

(c) A party state may contract with any one or more
other party states for the training of professional or other
personnel whose services, by reason of such training,
would become available for or be improved in respect of
ability to participate in the care and treatment of men-
tally disordered offenders. Such contracts may provide
for such training to take place at any facility being oper-
ated or to be operated for the care and treatment of
mentally disordered offenders; at any institution or facil-
ity having resources suitable for the offering of such
training; or may provide for the separate establishment
of training facilities: Provided, That no such separate es-
tablishment shall be undertaken, unless it is determined
that an appropriate existing facility or institution cannot
be found at which to conduct the contemplated program.

Any contract entered into pursuant to this paragraph shall
provide for:

(1) The administration, financing and precise nature of
the program.
(2) The status and employment or other rights of the
trainees.
(3) All other necessary matters.

(d) No contract entered into pursuant to this compact
shall be inconsistent with any provision thereof.

Article IV. Procedures and rights.

(a) Whenever the duly constituted judicial or ad-
mnistrative authorities in a state party to this compact,
and which has entered into a contract pursuant to Ar-
ticle III, shall decide that custody, care and treatment
in, or transfer of a patient to, a facility within the ter-
ritory of another party state, or conditional release for
aftercare in another party state is necessary in order
to provide adequate care and treatment or is desirable in
order to provide an appropriate program of therapy or
other treatment, or is desirable for clinical reasons, said
officials may direct that the custody, care and treatment
be within a facility or in a program of aftercare within
the territory of said other party state, the receiving state
to act in that regard solely as agent for the sending state.

(b) The appropriate officials of any state party to this compact shall have access, at all reasonable times, to any facility in which it has a contractual right to secure care or treatment of patients for the purpose of inspection and visiting such of its patients as may be in the facility or served by it.

c) Except as otherwise provided in Article VI, patients in a facility pursuant to the terms of this compact shall at all times be subject to the jurisdiction of the sending state and may at any time be removed for transfer to a facility within the sending state, for transfer to another facility in which the sending state may have a contractual or other right to secure care and treatment of patients, for release on aftercare or other conditional status, for discharge, or for any other purpose permitted by the laws of the sending state: Provided, That the sending state shall continue to be obligated to such payments as may be required pursuant to the terms of any contract entered into under the terms of Article III.

d) Each receiving state shall provide regular reports to each sending state on the patients of that sending state in facilities pursuant to this compact including a psychiatric and behavioral record of each patient and certify said record to the official designated by the sending state, in order that each patient may have the benefit of his or her record in determining and altering the disposition of said patient in accordance with the law which may obtain in the sending state and in order that the same may be a source of information for the sending state.

e) All patients who may be in a facility or receiving aftercare from a facility pursuant to the provisions of this compact shall be treated in a reasonable and humane manner and shall be cared for, treated and supervised in accordance with the standards pertaining to the program administered at the facility. The fact of presence in a receiving state shall not deprive any
patient of any legal rights which said patient would have had if in custody or receiving care, treatment or supervision as appropriate in the sending state.

(f) Any hearing or hearings to which a patient present in a receiving state pursuant to this compact may be entitled by the laws of the sending state shall be had before the appropriate authorities of the sending state, or of the receiving state if authorized by the sending state. The receiving state shall provide adequate facilities for such hearings as may be conducted by the appropriate officials of a sending state. In the event such hearing or hearings are had before officials of the receiving state, the governing law shall be that of the sending state and a record of the hearing or hearings as prescribed by the sending state shall be made. Said record together with any recommendations of the hearing officials shall be transmitted forthwith to the official or officials before whom the hearing would have been had if it had taken place in the sending state. In any and all proceedings had pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, the officials of the receiving state shall act solely as agents of the sending state and no final determination shall be made in any matter except by the appropriate officials of the sending state. Costs of records made pursuant to this paragraph shall be borne by the sending state.

(g) Any patient confined pursuant to this compact shall be released within the territory of the sending state unless the patient, and the sending and receiving states, shall agree upon release in some other place. The sending state shall bear the cost of such return to its territory.

(h) Any patient pursuant to the terms of this compact shall be subject to civil process and shall have any and all rights to sue, be sued and participate in and derive any benefits or incur or be relieved of any obligations or have such obligations modified or his status changed on account of any action or proceeding in which he could have participated if in any appropriate facility of the sending state or being supervised therefrom, as the case may be, located within such state.
95 (i) The parent, guardian, trustee, or other person or persons entitled under the laws of the sending state to act for, advise, or otherwise function with respect to any patient shall not be deprived of or restricted in his exercise of any power in respect of any patient pursuant to the terms of this compact.

Article V. Disposition of charges.

1 (a) Whenever the authorities responsible for the care and treatment of a mentally disordered offender, whether convicted or adjudicated in the state or subject to care, aftercare, treatment or rehabilitation pursuant to a contract, are of the opinion that charges based on untried indictments, informations or complaints in another party state present obstacles to the proper care and treatment of a mentally disordered offender or to the planning or execution of a suitable program for him, such authorities may petition the appropriate court in the state where the untried indictment, information or complaint is pending for prompt disposition thereof. If the mentally disordered offender is a patient in a receiving state, the appropriate authorities of the sending state, upon recommendation of the appropriate authorities in the receiving state, shall, if they concur in the recommendation, file the petition contemplated by this paragraph.

(b) The court shall hold a hearing on the petition within thirty days of the filing thereof. Such hearing shall be only to determine whether the proper safeguarding and advancement of the public interest; the condition of the mentally disordered offender; and the prospects for more satisfactory care, treatment and rehabilitation of him warrant disposition of the untried indictment, information or complaint prior to termination of the defendant's status as a mentally disordered offender in the sending state. The prosecuting officer of the jurisdiction from which the untried indictment, information or complaint is pending, the petitioning authorities, and such other persons as the court may determine shall be entitled to be heard.

(c) Upon any hearing pursuant to this article, the court may order such adjournments or continuances as may be necessary for the examination or observation of the men-
tally disordered offender or for the securing of necessary
evidence. In granting or denying any such adjournment
or continuance, the court shall give primary consideration
to the purposes of this compact, and more particularly to
the need for expeditious determination of the legal and
mental status of a mentally disordered offender so that his
care, treatment and discharge to the community only
under conditions which will be consonant with the public
safety may be implemented.

(d) The presence of a mentally disordered offender
within a state wherein a petition is pending or being heard
pursuant to this article, or his presence within any other
state through which he is being transported in connection
with such petition or hearing, shall be only for the pur-
poses of this compact, and no court, agency or person shall
have or obtain jurisdiction over such mentally disordered
offender for any other purpose by reason of his presence
pursuant to this article. The mentally disordered offender
shall, at all times, remain in the custody of the sending
state. Any acts of officers, employees, or agencies of the
receiving state in providing or facilitating detention,
housing or transportation for the mentally disordered
offender shall be only as agents for the sending state.

(e) Promptly upon conclusion of the hearing the court
shall dismiss the untried indictment, information or com-
plaint, if it finds that the purposes enumerated in para-
graph (b) of this article would be served thereby. Other-
wise, the court shall make such order with respect to the
petition and the untried indictment, information or com-
plaint as may be appropriate in the circumstances and
consistent with the status of the defendant as a mentally
disordered offender in the custody of and subject to the
jurisdiction of the sending state.

(f) No fact or other matter established or adjudicated
at any hearing pursuant to this article, or in connection
therewith, shall be deemed established or adjudicated,
nor shall the same be admissible in evidence, in any sub-
sequent prosecution of the untried indictment, informa-
tion or complaint concerned in a petition filed pursuant
to this article unless:

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(1) The defendant or his duly empowered legal representative requested or expressly acquiesced in the making of the petition, and was afforded an opportunity to participate in person in the hearing; or

(2) The defendant himself offers or consents to the introduction of the determination or adjudication at such subsequent proceedings.

Article VI. Acts not reviewable in receiving state; return.

(a) Any decision of the sending state in respect of any matter over which it retains jurisdiction pursuant to this compact shall be conclusive upon and not reviewable within the receiving state, but if at the time the sending state seeks to remove a patient from the receiving state there is pending against the patient within such state any criminal charge or if the patient is suspected of having committed within such state a criminal offense, the patient shall not be returned without the consent of the receiving state until discharged from prosecution or other form of proceeding, imprisonment or detention for such offense. The duly accredited officers of the sending state shall be permitted to transport patients pursuant to this compact through any and all states party to this compact without interference.

(b) A patient who escapes while receiving care and treatment or who violates provisions of aftercare by leaving the jurisdiction, or while being detained or transported pursuant to this compact shall be deemed an escapee from the sending state and from the state in which the facility is situated or the aftercare was being provided. In the case of an escape to a jurisdiction other than the sending or receiving state, the responsibility for return shall be that of the sending state, but nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent or affect the activities of officers and agencies of any jurisdiction directed toward the apprehension and return of an escapee.
Article VII. Federal aid.

Any state party to this compact may accept federal aid for use in connection with any facility or program, the use of which is or may be affected by this compact or any contract pursuant thereto and any patient in a receiving state pursuant to this compact may participate in any such federally aided program or activity for which the sending and receiving states have made contractual provision: Provided, That if such program or activity is not part of the customary regimen of the facility or program the express consent of the appropriate official of the sending state shall be required therefor.

Article VIII. Entry into force.

This compact shall enter into force and become effective and binding upon the states so acting when it has been enacted into law by any two states from among the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Thereafter, this compact shall enter into force and become effective and binding as to any other of said states, or any other state upon similar action by such state.

Article IX. Withdrawal and termination.

This compact shall continue in force and remain binding upon a party state until it shall have enacted a statute repealing the same and providing for the sending of formal written notice of withdrawal from the compact to the appropriate officials of all other party states. An actual withdrawal shall not take effect until two years after the notices provided in said statute have been sent. Such withdrawal shall not relieve the withdrawing state from its obligations assumed hereunder prior to the effective date of withdrawal. Before the effective date of withdrawal, a withdrawing state shall remove to its territory, at its own expense, such patients as it may have in other party states pursuant to the provisions of this compact.
Article X. Other arrangements unaffected.

1 Nothing contained in this compact shall be construed to abrogate or impair any agreement or other arrangement which a party state may have with a nonparty state for the custody, care, treatment, rehabilitation or aftercare of patients nor to repeal any other laws of a party state authorizing the making of cooperative arrangements.

Article XI. Construction and severability.

1 The provisions of this compact shall be liberally construed and shall be severable. If any phrase, clause, sentence or provision of this compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any participating state or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this compact and the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance shall not be affected thereby.

If this compact shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state participating therein, the compact shall remain in full force and effect as to the remaining states and in full force and effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters.

§27-15-2. Who may enter into contracts under compact.

1 The governor, the state commissioner of public institutions, the department of mental health, the state board of education, the state board of vocational education, the division of vocational rehabilitation, the state commission on higher education, the West Virginia board of regents, the state department of welfare, the department of public safety, the state department of health and the West Virginia board of probation and parole may negotiate and enter into contracts on behalf of this state pursuant to Article III of the compact and may perform such contracts: Provided, That no funds, personnel, facilities, equipment, supplies, or materials shall be pledged for, committed or used on account of any such contract, unless legally available therefor.

1 The effective date of this article shall be July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy.

CHAPTER 56

(Senate Bill No. 70—By Mr. Gainer and Mr. Floyd)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to repeal sections eleven and twelve, article four, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend chapter seventeen of said code by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-four, relating to disposal of junk and abandoned vehicles, providing for public notice to determine vehicle owners and lienholders, providing for sale at auction by law-enforcement agencies of vehicles unclaimed and for simplified methods to transfer junk and abandoned vehicles to demolishers for demolition, wrecking, and dismantling junk and abandoned vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections eleven and twelve, article four, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that chapter seventeen of said code be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-four, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. DISPOSAL OF JUNK AND ABANDONED VEHICLES.

§17-24-1. Definitions.
§17-24-2. Legislative declaration; purpose of article.
§17-24-3. Abandonment of vehicle prohibited.
§17-24-4. Penalty for abandonment of vehicle.
§17-24-5. Authority to take possession of abandoned vehicles.
§17-24-6. Notification of vehicle owner and lienholders.
§17-24-8. Proceeds from sale of abandoned vehicle.
§17-24-10. Disposal of abandoned vehicle directly to demolisher.
§17-24-1. Definitions.

As used in this article, unless the context clearly requires a different meaning:

"Vehicle" means any device in, upon, or by which persons or property may be transported or drawn that is operated or customarily in contact with or immediately adjacent to the surface of the earth and which device is self propelled or propelled by an energy providing force except those devices propelled or drawn by human energy or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

"Junk vehicle" means any vehicle that is not lawfully and validly registered and remains inoperative or incapable of being driven for a period of ten days after the day the vehicle becomes inoperative or incapable of being driven and which vehicle the owner, bailee or finder, whichever is applicable, within the ten-day period, fails to have made operative or capable of being driven or fails to make arrangements to have the vehicle made operative or capable of being driven.

"Abandon" or "abandoned" means to permit or allow any vehicle to become an abandoned vehicle.

"Abandoned vehicle" means any vehicle or major part thereof that is inoperative and is left unattended on public property for any period of time over ten days, or any vehicle or major part thereof that has remained illegally on public property for any period of time over ten days, or any vehicle or major part thereof that has remained on private property without consent of the owner or person in control of the property for any period of time over ten days or any vehicle or major part thereof that is unattended, discarded, deserted and unlicensed or is inoperative for any period of time over one hundred eighty days.

"Law-enforcement agency" means any public law-enforcement agency of the state, counties, and municipalities within the state of West Virginia.

"Demolisher" means any licensed person (other than his agents or employees, if any, while acting within the scope
§17-24-2. Legislative declaration; purpose of article.

1 The Legislature recognizes and declares that junk and abandoned vehicles are nuisances to both adults and children and therefore are dangerous and constitute a present danger; that junk and abandoned vehicles serve as harborage and breeding places for flies, mosquitoes, fleas, ticks, mice, rats and other insects, pests and rodents injurious to the public health, safety and general welfare; that junk and abandoned vehicles serve frequently as temporary or permanent places of human residence unconducive to public health, safety and welfare; therefore the Legislature declares it to be the public policy of the state of West Virginia, in order to eliminate the present danger resulting from junk and abandoned vehicles, and in order to provide for the public health, safety and welfare, to enact legislation to that end by providing expeditious means and methods for the disposal of junk and abandoned vehicles.

§17-24-3. Abandonment of vehicle prohibited.

1 No person shall abandon a vehicle upon public property or upon property which he does not own, lease, rent or otherwise control within the state of West Virginia.

§17-24-4. Penalty for abandonment of vehicle.

1 Any person who abandons a vehicle shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not less than three nor more than six months.

§17-24-5. Authority to take possession of abandoned vehicles.

1 Any law-enforcement agency that has knowledge of, or discovers or finds any vehicle abandoned on private or public property shall take into custody that vehicle. For that purpose, the law-enforcement agency may employ its own personnel, equipment and facilities or hire per-
§17-24-6. Notification of vehicle owner and lienholders.

(a) A law-enforcement agency which takes into custody an abandoned vehicle shall notify within fourteen days after taking custody, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, the last known registered owner of the vehicle and all lienholders of record that the vehicle has been taken into custody. The notice shall contain a full description of the vehicle including the year, make, model, manufacturer's serial or identification number or any other number that may have been assigned to the vehicle by the commissioner of motor vehicles and any distinguishing marks; set forth the location of the facility where the vehicle is being held; inform the owner and any lienholders of record of their right to reclaim the vehicle within ten days after the date notice was received by the owner or lienholders, upon payment of all towing, preservation and storage charges resulting from taking and placing the vehicle in custody; and state that the failure of the owner or lienholders of record to exercise their right to reclaim the vehicle within the ten-day period shall be deemed a waiver by the owner and all lienholders of record of all right, title and interest in the vehicle and of their consent to the sale of the abandoned vehicle at a public auction.

(b) If the identity of the last registered owner of the abandoned vehicle cannot be determined; or if the certificate of registration or certificate of title contains no address for the owner; or if it is impossible to determine with reasonable certainty the identity and addresses of all lienholders, notice shall be published as a Class II legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county wherein the vehicle was abandoned, and the notice shall be sufficient to meet all requirements of notice pursuant to this article. Any notice by publication can contain multiple listings of abandoned vehicles. The notice shall be published within fourteen days after the
vehicle is taken into custody and shall have the same con-
tents required for notice in subsection (a) of this section.
(c) The consequences and effect of failure to reclaim
an abandoned vehicle within the ten-day period after
notice is received by registered or certified mail or within
ten days after the final notice is published in a newspaper
shall be set forth in the notice.
1 If an abandoned vehicle is not reclaimed as provided
for in section six of this article, the law-enforcement
agency in possession of the abandoned vehicle shall sell
it at a public auction. The purchaser of the vehicle shall
take title to the vehicle free and clear of all liens
and claims of ownership, shall receive a sales receipt
from the law-enforcement agency that auctioned the
vehicle and shall be entitled to register the purchased
vehicle and receive a certificate of title on presentation
of the sales receipt to the department of motor vehicles
and upon compliance with the provisions of article three,
chapter seventeen-a of this code. The sales receipt at such
sale shall be sufficient title only for purposes of trans-
ferring the vehicle to a demolisher for demolition, wreck-
ning or dismantling, and no further titling of the vehicle
shall be necessary by either the purchaser at auction or
by the demolisher, both of whom shall be exempt from
the payment of any fees and taxes required under article
three, chapter seventeen-a of this code: Provided, That
the purchaser at auction must place the vehicle in the
possession of a demolisher within thirty days from the
date he purchased the vehicle and the demolisher must
demolish, wreck or dismantle the vehicle within six
months after taking possession of the vehicle and if they
do not they shall be required to pay any fees and taxes re-
quired under article three, chapter seventeen-a of this
code.
§17-24-8. Proceeds from sale of abandoned vehicle.
1 From the proceeds of the sale, the law-enforcement
agency which sold the abandoned vehicle shall reimburse
itself for any expenses it may have incurred in conduct-
ing the auction, any costs of towing, preserving and stor-
ing the vehicle which resulted from placing the aban-
doned vehicle in custody, and all notice and publication
 costs incurred pursuant to section six of this article.

Any remainder from the proceeds of sale after payment
of these costs shall be held for the last registered owner
of the vehicle or entitled lienholder for ninety days, after
which time, if no owner or lienholder claims the remain-
der, it shall be deposited in the state treasury to be kept
and maintained as a special revolving account designated
as the “abandoned vehicle disposal account” and any
moneys so collected and deposited shall be used solely
by law-enforcement agencies for the payment of auction,
towing, preserving, storage and all notice and publica-
tion costs which result from placing other abandoned
vehicles in custody, whenever the proceeds from a sale
of those abandoned vehicles are insufficient to meet these
expenses and costs.

The “abandoned vehicle disposal account” shall be
under the direction and control of the commissioner of
motor vehicles. He shall assure that moneys are properly
deposited in the account by any law-enforcement agency
that sells any abandoned vehicles at auction and that any
moneys necessary to pay costs and expenses of those sales,
as specified in the preceding paragraph are disbursed in
accordance with state accounting procedures to law-en-
forcement agencies selling an abandoned vehicle.

The “abandoned vehicle disposal account” shall never
be maintained in excess of the amount necessary to
efficiently and properly carry out the intentions of this
article and in no event shall the “abandoned vehicle dis-
posal account” be maintained in excess of the sum of
five thousand dollars; whenever the “abandoned vehicle
disposal account” exceeds that amount, the commissioner
of motor vehicles shall transfer the excess to the state
general revenue fund.


Any vehicle left for more than ten days in a garage
operated for commercial purposes, after notice by the
garage keeper by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner to pick up the vehicle, shall be deemed and considered an abandoned vehicle and shall be reported by the garage keeper to the appropriate law-enforcement agency.

All abandoned vehicles left in garages shall be taken into custody by the law-enforcement agency to which they are reported and sold in accordance with the procedure set forth in this article unless prior to sale the vehicle is properly reclaimed and the garage keeper paid any costs he may have incurred regarding the vehicle. If the vehicle is sold the proceeds of the sale shall first be applied to the garage keeper's charges for servicing, storage or repair of the vehicle, and any surplus after such payment shall be distributed in accordance with section eight of this article.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to impair any lien of a garage keeper under the laws of this state or the right of a lienholder to foreclose.

For purposes of this section "garage keeper" means any operator of a parking place, lot or establishment, vehicle storage facility or establishment for the servicing, repair or maintenance of vehicles.

§17-24-10. Disposal of abandoned vehicle directly to demolisher.

(a) Any person, firm, corporation, or the state, or any county or municipality within the state of West Virginia, upon whose property or in whose possession is found any abandoned vehicle, or any person being the owner of a vehicle whose certificate of title is faulty, lost or destroyed, may apply to the law-enforcement agency of the jurisdiction in which the vehicle is situated for authority to sell, give away or dispose of the vehicle to a demolisher.

(b) The application shall set out the name and address of the applicant, the year, make, model, manufacturer's serial or identification number or any other number that may have been assigned to the vehicle by the commissioner of motor vehicles, if ascertainable, and any dis-
14 distinguishing marks and shall contain a concise statement
15 of the facts surrounding the abandonment, or that the
16 title of the vehicle is lost or destroyed, or the reasons for
17 the defect of title in the owner. The applicant shall
18 execute an affidavit stating that the facts alleged in the
19 application are true and that no material fact has been
20 withheld.

21 (c) If the law-enforcement agency finds that the ap-
22 plication is executed in proper form and shows that the
23 vehicle has been abandoned upon the property of the
24 applicant or if it shows that the applicant appears to be
25 the rightful owner, the law-enforcement agency shall
26 follow the notification procedures set forth in section six
27 of this article.

28 (d) If the abandoned vehicle is not reclaimed in ac-
29 cordance with section six of this article, the law-enforce-
30 ment agency shall give the applicant a certificate of au-
31 thority to sell the vehicle, which certificate shall be
32 sufficient title only for purposes of transferring the vehicle
33 to a demolisher for demolition, wrecking or dismantling,
34 and no further titling of the vehicle shall be necessary
35 by either the applicant or the demolisher both of whom
36 shall be exempt from the payment of any fees and taxes
37 required under article three, chapter seventeen-a of this
38 code: Provided, That the demolisher must demolish,
39 wreck or dismantle the vehicle within six months after
40 taking possession of the vehicle and if he does not he shall
41 be required to pay any fees and taxes required under
42 article three, chapter seventeen-a of this code.

43 (e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this arti-
44 cle, any person, firm, corporation, or the state, or any
45 county or municipality within the state of West Virginia,
46 upon whose property or in whose possession is found an
47 abandoned vehicle, or any person being the owner of a
48 vehicle whose certificate of title is faulty, lost or destroyed,
49 may dispose of the vehicle to a demolisher without title
50 and without complying with the notification procedures
51 set forth in section six of this article if the vehicle is nine
52 years old or older and has no engine or is totally in-
53 operative.

1. Notwithstanding any provisions contained in chapter seventeen-a to the contrary, any demolisher who purchases or otherwise acquires a vehicle for purposes of wrecking, dismantling or demolition shall be exempt from the payment of any fees and taxes required under chapter seventeen-a of this code: Provided, That the demolisher must demolish, wreck or dismantle the vehicle within six months after taking possession of the vehicle and if he does not he shall be required to obtain a certificate of title in his name and pay the fees and taxes required under article three, chapter seventeen-a of this code. Immediately after the vehicle has been demolished, wrecked, dismantled or changed so that it physically is no longer a vehicle, the demolisher shall surrender to the department of motor vehicles for cancellation the certificate of title or auction sales receipt for the vehicle with the word "scrapped" or word or words of similar meaning written across the face thereof. If the demolisher does not have a certificate of title or auction sales receipt for the vehicle, he shall give notice to the department of motor vehicles on the form the department shall prescribe.

2. The department of motor vehicles shall issue forms, rules and regulations governing the surrender of auction sales receipts, certificates of title and notification to the department that a vehicle has been demolished, wrecked, dismantled or changed so that it physically is no longer a vehicle, as are appropriate; but no action of the department shall change the purpose or intent of this article or slow down or impair the mechanisms and methods for disposing of abandoned and junk vehicles provided for herein.

3. A demolisher shall keep an accurate and complete record of all vehicles purchased or otherwise acquired by him in the course of his business. These records shall contain the name and address of the person from whom each vehicle was purchased or otherwise acquired and the date of purchase or the date otherwise acquired. The records shall be open for inspection by any law-enforcement agency at any time during normal business hours. Any
40 record required under this section shall be kept by the
41 demolisher for a period of at least two years.

1 All other laws or parts of laws inconsistent with this
2 article are hereby repealed to the extent of such
3 inconsistency.

1 If any provision of this article or the application thereof
2 in any case or situation is held invalid, that invalidity
3 shall not affect other provisions or applications of this
4 article, and to this end the provisions of this article are
5 declared severable.

CHAPTER 57

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 523—Originating in the House
Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect January 1, 1971. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections thirty-four, forty-three
and forty-five, article two, chapter twenty of the code of
West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as:
amended, relating to hunting and fishing license fees
for nonresidents.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections thirty-four, forty-three and forty-five, article
two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and
reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-34. Disposition of license fees; reports of agents; special funds
and uses.

§20-2-43. Class E, Class F and Class G licenses for nonresidents.

§20-2-45. Class K nonresident six-day, statewide, fishing license.
§20-2-34. Disposition of license fees; reports of agents; special funds and uses.

All persons in this state who receive money for licenses and permits required by this chapter shall, on the first day of each month, pay over to the director all moneys so collected by them during the preceding month. Such payment shall be accompanied by a report showing, in the case of license money, the name of the county, the class of license sold, the names and addresses of the persons paying the same, the date of the receipt thereof, the signature of the person receiving and remitting such funds, and such other information as the director may deem necessary.

Except where other provisions of this chapter specifically require and direct payment of any such moneys into designated funds for specific uses and purposes, all moneys so received by the director hereunder shall be by him promptly paid into the state treasury and shall be credited to the department of natural resources and shall be further credited to and kept in a separate fund designated "license fund—wildlife resources" which shall be used and paid out, upon order of the director solely for law enforcement and for purposes directly relating to the conservation, protection, propagation and distribution of wildlife in this state pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

No funds from the "license fund—wildlife resources" shall be expended for recreational facilities or activities that are used by or for the benefit of the general public, rather than purchasers of hunting and fishing licenses.

§20-2-43. Class E, Class F and Class G licenses for nonresidents.

A Class E license shall be a nonresident hunting license and shall entitle the licensee to hunt all game in all counties of the state. It shall be issued only to citizens of the United States who are not residents of this state. The fee therefor shall be thirty dollars.

A Class F license shall be a nonresident fishing license and shall entitle the licensee to fish for all fish in all
it shall be issued only to citizens of the United States, and to unnaturalized persons possessing the permit required by section twenty-nine of this article, who are not residents of this state. The fee therefor shall be twenty dollars.

A Class G license shall be a nonresident family fishing license and shall entitle the licensee and members of his family to fish within the territorial limits of state parks and state forests and in the waters of streams bounding same, for a distance of not to exceed one hundred yards from the exterior boundary of any state park or state forest, for a period not to exceed one week. It may be issued to any adult nonresident who is temporarily residing in any state park or forest as tenant or lessee of the state. The fee therefor shall be three dollars for the head of the family, plus fifty cents additional for each member of his family to whom the privileges of such license are extended. Class G licenses may be issued in such manner and under such regulations as the director may see fit to prescribe.

§20-2-45. Class K nonresident six-day, statewide, fishing license.

A Class K license shall be a nonresident fishing license and shall entitle the licensee to fish for all fish in all counties of the state for a period not to exceed six days. It shall be issued only to citizens of the United States, and to unnaturalized persons possessing the permit required by section twenty-nine of this article, who are not residents of this state. The fee therefor shall be ten dollars.

CHAPTER 58

(House Bill No. 539—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Ours)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article four, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand
nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to transfer of the control, management and supervision of Berkeley Springs sanitarium from the commissioner of public institutions to the director of the department of natural resources.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article four, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4. PARKS AND RECREATION.

§20-4-1. Duties and functions of division of parks and recreation.

1 The division of parks and recreation herein created and established shall have within its jurisdiction and supervision:

2 (a) All state parks and state recreation areas, including all lodges, cabins, swimming pools, motorboating and all other recreational facilities therein and thereat;

3 (b) Administration of all laws and regulations relating to beautification of state highways and other public areas;

4 (c) The functions and services of the following commissions which are hereby made activities of the department of natural resources:

5 (1) Point Pleasant battle monument commission, created by Joint Resolution No. 24 adopted by the Legislature of West Virginia on the sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred seventy-five;

6 (2) The Prickett's Fort state park commission, created by chapter forty-eight, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven;

7 (3) Droop Mountain battlefield commission, created by House Joint Resolution No. 8 adopted by the Legislature of West Virginia on the twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven;
(4) Philippi battlefield commission, created by House Joint Resolution No. 15 adopted by the Legislature of West Virginia on the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven; and

(5) Carnifex Ferry battleground park commission, created by chapter nine, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one; and

(d) Administration of all laws and regulations relating to the establishment, development, protection, use and enjoyment of all state parks and state recreational facilities consistent with the provisions of this chapter.

Berkeley Springs sanitarium heretofore established and located on the state property located at Bath Square, or Berkeley Springs property, in Morgan county, shall be continued as a state recreational facility under the jurisdiction and supervision of the division of parks and recreation and shall be managed, directed and controlled as prescribed in articles one and four, chapter twenty of the code.

The director shall have and is hereby granted all of the powers and authority and shall perform all of the functions and duties with regard to Berkeley Springs sanitarium that were previously vested in and performed by the state commissioner of public institutions, who shall no longer have such power and authority and whose power and authority with regard to Berkeley Springs sanitarium is hereby abolished. The title to all property consisting of or belonging to Berkeley Springs sanitarium is hereby transferred to and shall be vested in the director who shall be the custodian of all deeds and other muniments of title to all of that property and shall cause those deeds and muniments susceptible of recordation to be recorded in the proper office.

The chief of the division shall be primarily responsible for the execution and administration of the provisions of this article as an integral part of the natural resources program of the state and shall organize and
AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article eight, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the West Virginia board of optometry.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, article eight, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8. OPTOMETRISTS.

§30-8-3. Board of optometry; duties; disposition of moneys collected; compensation and expenses.

There shall be a state board of examiners in optometry, known as the “West Virginia board of optometry”, which shall consist of five optometrists, who shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Each member of the board, at the time of his appointment, shall have been a resident and a registered practicing optometrist of this state for a period of three years or more immediately preceding his appointment.

The members of the board in office on July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, shall, unless sooner removed, continue to serve until their successors have been appointed and have qualified. On or before the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, and annually thereafter, as their respective terms expire, the governor shall appoint their successors so that one year before the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, and annually thereafter, as their respective terms expire, the governor shall appoint their successors so that one year before the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, and annually thereafter, as their respective terms expire, the governor shall appoint their successors so that one year before the first.
Any member shall be eligible for reappointment. All fees and other moneys collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this article shall be kept in a separate fund and expended solely for the purpose of this article. No part of this special fund shall revert to the general funds of this state. The compensation for the members of the board and all expenses incurred under this article shall be paid from this special fund. No compensation or expense incurred under this article shall be a charge against the general funds of this state.

The board shall make necessary rules and regulations, subject to the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, which are not inconsistent with any other provision or section of this article:

(a) For the proper performance of its duties;
(b) To govern the ethical practice of optometry for the safety, protection and welfare of the public; and
(c) To govern the time, place and manner of conducting examinations in optometry, and the manner and form in which applicants for such examination shall be filed.

CHAPTER 60

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 583—Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article thirteen-a, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section five-a, relating to the certification of underground surveyors and additional requirements therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article thirteen-a, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended,
be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section five-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 13A. LAND SURVEYORS.

§30-13A-5a. Underground surveying; additional requirements.

1 After the first day of July one thousand nine hundred seventy, no person required to be licensed under the provisions of this article shall engage in underground surveying until he shall have first obtained a license under the provisions of this article and in addition shall have received from the board, after application therefor, a certificate to engage in underground surveying, which certificate shall remain valid so long and only so long as the license issued to such person under the provisions of this article remains unexpired, unsuspended and unrevoked. In order to be eligible for such certificate such person shall, in addition to the requirements for a license, have three years or more experience in the practice of underground surveying. In the event an application for any such certificate is denied, all of the provisions of sections nine and ten of this article shall be as fully applicable as if the application denied were an application for a license under the provisions of this article.

CHAPTER 61

(House Bill No. 758—By Mr. Kopp)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections four, seven and eight, article twenty, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to raising the application and renewal fees for licenses for physical therapists.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four, seven and eight, article twenty, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 20. PHYSICAL THERAPISTS.
§30-20-4. Qualifications of applicants for license; applications; fee.
§30-20-7. Registration without examination; reciprocity; fees.
§30-20-8. Renewal of registration; fee; inactive list.

§30-20-4. Qualifications of applicants for license; applications; fee.

1 To be eligible for license by the board as a physical therapist, each applicant must:
2 a. Be at least twenty-one years old.
3 b. Be of good moral character.
4 c. Not be addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol or narcotic drugs.
5 d. Be a citizen of the United States or have obtained a declaration of intention of becoming a citizen.
6 e. Present evidence that he is a graduate of a school of physical therapy approved by the American physical therapy association and the board: Provided, That any person who received his education in physical therapy outside of the United States may qualify for a license by fulfilling those requirements of the American physical therapy association and the medical board, including successful completion of a period of supervised clinical experience and a written examination provided by the board: Provided, however, That on or before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred sixty-six, any person who has practiced physical therapy in this state for five continuous years prior to the effective date of this article (July 1, 1963) under the prescription and direction of a licensed physician or surgeon may qualify for a license by successful completion of a written examination provided by the board.

f. Either (1) pass to the satisfaction of the board an examination conducted by it to determine his fitness for practice as a physical therapist; or (2) be entitled to be licensed without examination as provided in section seven of this article.
Unless entitled to be licensed under section seven of this article, a person who desires to be licensed as a physical therapist shall apply to the board, in writing, on a blank furnished by the board. He shall embody in that application evidence under oath, satisfactory to the board, of his possessing the qualifications preliminary to examination required by this section. He shall pay to the board a fee of fifty dollars at the time of filing his application, no part of which shall be refunded.

§30-20-7. Registration without examination; reciprocity; fees.

1 The board shall register as a physical therapist any person who (1) applies for such registration after the effective date of this article [July 1, 1963], and (2) at the time of the effective date of this article is a member of or is eligible for membership in the American physical therapy association or the American registry of physical therapists; and (3) is residing in the state at the time of the effective date of this article. At the time of making such application, such applicant shall pay the board a fee of fifty dollars.

2 The board shall license as a physical therapist, without examination, on the payment of a fee of fifty dollars, any applicant for registration who is a physical therapist registered or licensed under the laws of another state, territory, or the District of Columbia, if the requirements for registration or license of physical therapists in the state, territory, or the District of Columbia, in which the applicant was registered or licensed, were at the date of his registration substantially equal to the requirements in this article and if he meets all existing rules and regulations set by the board.

§30-20-8. Renewal of registration; fee; inactive list.

1 Every physical therapist shall renew his license on or before January one of each year by payment of a fee of ten dollars. Any license that is not so renewed shall automatically lapse. The board may in its discretion renew a lapsed license on the payment of all unpaid fees.

2 A person licensed under the provisions of this article, desiring to retire from practice temporarily, shall send
a written notice to the board. Upon receipt of such notice, the board shall place the name of such person upon the inactive list. While remaining on this list the person shall not be subject to the payment of any fee and shall not practice physical therapy in the state. When such person desires to resume practice, application for renewal of license and payment of renewal fee for the current year shall be made to the board.

CHAPTER 62

(House Bill No. 524—By Mr. Daugherty and Mr. Nelson, of Cabell)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-one, relating to the practice of psychology; providing for the licensing of persons engaging in the practice of psychology; providing a legislative finding, a declaration of public policy and definitions; relating to the circumstances under which a firm, association or corporation may engage in the practice of psychology; providing certain duties of licensees; providing for construction of article; creating the board of examiners of psychologists; relating to the qualifications, terms, oath and compensation of members of said board; providing for meetings of said board; specifying the powers and duties of said board; relating to the receipt and disbursement of funds by said board; establishing qualifications for the issuance of a license or temporary permit to engage in the practice of psychology; providing exceptions; providing for applications for and the issuance of licenses and temporary permits, renewals thereof and fees therefor; authorizing the board to suspend or revoke a license or temporary permit and establishing the grounds therefor; authorizing said board
to hold hearings; providing a time and place for such hearings; expressly providing that the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of the code shall govern such hearings; authorizing the board to issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum in connection with such hearings; providing an automatic stay or suspension of certain orders of the board pending such hearings; relating to the costs for such hearings; providing for judicial review of decisions of the board entered following such hearings; providing for appeals to the supreme court of appeals; providing for legal counsel for the board; establishing criminal penalties; providing for injunctive relief; and providing a severability clause.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-one, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 21. PSYCHOLOGISTS.

§30-21-1. Legislative findings and declaration of public policy.

§30-21-2. Definitions.

§30-21-3. License required; firms, associations and corporations engaging in the practice of psychology.

§30-21-4. Duties of licensee; construction of article.

§30-21-5. Creation of board of examiners of psychologists; members, terms, meetings, officers, oath and compensation; general provisions.

§30-21-6. Powers and duties of board; funds of board.

§30-21-7. Qualifications of applicants; exceptions; applications; fee.

§30-21-8. Issuance of license; renewal of license; renewal fee; display of license.


§30-21-10. Suspension or revocation of license or temporary permit.


§30-21-12. Judicial review; appeal to supreme court of appeals; legal representation for board.

§30-21-13. Penalties.

§30-21-14. Actions to enjoin violations.


§30-21-1. Legislative findings and declaration of public policy.

1 The Legislature of the state of West Virginia hereby determines and finds that in the public interest persons should not engage in the practice of psychology in this
state without the requisite experience and training and
without adequate regulation and control; and that there
is presently no adequate means to protect the interests
of the citizens of this state from the unauthorized, un-
qualified and unregulated practice of psychology. It is
therefore declared to be the public policy of this state
that the practice of psychology affects the general
welfare and public interest of the state and its citizens;
that persons without the necessary qualifications, train-
ing and education, and persons not of good character
should not engage in the practice of psychology; and
that the evils of such unauthorized and unqualified prac-
tice may be best prevented and the interest of the public
best served by regulating and controlling such practice
as provided in this article.

§30-21-2. Definitions.

1 Unless the context in which used clearly requires
2 a different meaning, as used in this article:
3 (a) "Applicant" means any person making applica-
4 tion for an original or renewal license or a temporary
5 permit under the provisions of this article.
6 (b) "Licensee" means any person holding a license
7 or a temporary permit issued under the provisions of
8 this article.
9 (c) "Board" means the board of examiners of psy-
10 chologists created by this article.
11 (d) "Psychology" means the science involving the
12 principles, methods and procedures of understanding,
13 predicting and influencing behavior; the principles per-
taining to learning, perception, motivation, thinking,
14 emotions and interpersonal relationships; the methods
15 and procedures of interviewing and counseling; the
16 methods and procedures of psychotherapy, meaning the
17 use of learning, conditioning methods and emotional
18 reactions, in a professional relationship, to assist a person
19 or persons to modify feelings, attitudes and behavior,
20 which are intellectually, socially or emotionally mal-
21 adjustive or ineffectual; the constructing, administering
22 and interpreting of tests of intelligence, special abilities,
23 aptitudes, interests, attitudes, personality characteristics,
emotions and motivation; the psychological evaluation, prevention and improvements of adjustment problems of individuals and groups; and the resolution of interpersonal and social conflicts.

(e) "Practice of psychology" means the rendering or offering to render for a fee, salary or other compensation, monetary or otherwise, any psychological service involving: (i) The application of the principles, methods and procedures of understanding, predicting and influencing behavior; (ii) the application of the principles pertaining to learning, perception, motivation, thinking, emotions and interpersonal relationships; (iii) the application of the methods and procedures of interviewing and counseling; (iv) the application of the methods and procedures of psychotherapy, meaning the use of learning, conditioning methods and emotional reactions, in a professional relationship, to assist a person or persons to modify feelings, attitudes and behavior, which are intellectually, socially or emotionally maladjustive or ineffectual; (v) the constructing, administering and interpreting of tests of intelligence, special abilities, attitudes, interests, attitudes, personality characteristics, emotions and motivation; (vi) the psychological evaluation, prevention and improvement of adjustment problems of individuals and groups; and (vii) the resolution of interpersonal and social conflicts.

However, for the purpose of this article, the term "practice of psychology" shall not include:

(1) Teaching, lecturing or engaging in research in psychology as part of salaried employment at an institution of higher learning;

(2) The official duties of a person employed as a psychologist by the state of West Virginia or any of its departments, agencies, divisions or bureaus or by county boards of education or local governments, which duties are performed under the direct and regular supervision of a licensee;

(3) The official duties of a person employed as a psychologist by any department, agency, division or bureau of the United States of America;
65 (4) The official duties of a person working under
66 the direct and regular supervision of a licensee for the
67 purpose of gaining the experience required for a license
68 hereunder by the provisions of subdivision (4), sub-
69 section (a), section seven of this article, which experi-
70 ence is of a type approved by the board;
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72 (5) The use, in good faith, of certain psychological
73 techniques, procedures, methods and principles as an
74 incident to engaging in a recognized occupation or pro-
75 fession, other than the practice of psychology, including,
76 but not limited to, the occupation or profession of a
77 physician, lawyer, dentist, social worker, sociologist,
78 political scientist, economist, probation or parole officer,
79 rehabilitation or marriage counselor, clergyman, audi-
80 ologist, speech pathologist, teacher, educational or
81 guidance counselor and a placement or personnel direc-
82 tor;
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84 (6) The activities of a student of psychology, psy-
85 chological intern or psychological resident, which activi-
86 ties are a part of and are engaged in pursuant to a course
87 of study at an institution of higher learning; or
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89 (7) The activities of an assistant or technician which
90 are performed under the direct and regular supervision
91 of a licensee.
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93 (f) "Examination" means the examination in psy-
94 chology required by subdivision (5), subsection (a),
95 section seven of this article.
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§30-21-3. License required; firms, associations and corporations
engaging in the practice of psychology.
1 (a) No person shall engage in, offer to engage in,
2 or hold himself out to the public as being engaged in,
3 the practice of psychology in this state, nor shall any
4 person use in connection with any trade, business, pro-
5 fession or occupation, except in those instances specifi-
6 cally excluded from the definition of the practice of
7 psychology by subparagraphs (1), (2), (3), (4) and
8 (6), subdivision (e), section two of this article, the
9 word "psychologist," "psychology," "psychological" or
10 any other title, word or abbreviation which induces or
tends to induce the belief that such person is qualified
to engage or is engaged in the practice of psychology,
unless and until he shall first obtain a license or tempo-
rary permit to engage in the practice of psychology in
accordance with the provisions of this article, which
license or temporary permit remains unexpired, un-
suspended and unrevoked: Provided, That no such license
or temporary permit shall be required for a psycholo-
gist who is not a resident of this state, who is the
holder of a license or certificate to engage in the prac-
tice of psychology issued by a state with licensing or
certification requirements determined by the board to
be at least as great as those provided in this article, who
has no regular place of practice in this state and who
engages in the practice of psychology in this state for
a period of not more than ten days in any calendar
year.
(b) No firm, association or corporation shall, except
through a licensee or licensees, render any service or
engage in any activity which if rendered or engaged in
by any individual would constitute the practice of psy-
chology.
§30-21-4. Duties of licensee; construction of article.
(a) It shall be the duty of a licensee when entering
into any psychologist-client relationship to assist his
client in obtaining professional help for all aspects of
his problem which fall outside the boundaries of the
licensee's competence. It shall also be the duty of a
licensee to encourage his client to make provision for
the medical diagnosis and treatment of relevant medical
problems and, whenever indicated, to make referral to
or seek consultation with medical specialists.
(b) Nothing in this article shall be construed as per-
mitting the administering or prescribing of drugs or as
infringing upon the practice of medicine and surgery.
§30-21-5. Creation of board of examiners of psychologists;
members, terms, meetings, officers, oath and com-
pensation; general provisions.
(a) There is hereby created the state board of ex-
aminers of psychologists which shall be composed of
five members appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Each member shall have been actively engaged in the practice of psychology or in the teaching of psychology in the state of West Virginia for at least two years immediately preceding his appointment and shall be the holder of a license under the provisions of this article, or, in the case of the members first appointed, shall be eligible for such a license.

(b) The members of the board shall be appointed for overlapping terms of three years each and until their respective successors have been appointed and have qualified, except for the original appointments. For the purpose of original appointments, two members shall be appointed for a term of three years and until their successors have been appointed and have qualified, two members shall be appointed for a term of two years and until their successors have been appointed and have qualified and one member shall be appointed for a term of one year and until his successor has been appointed and has qualified. Members may be reappointed for any number of terms. Before entering upon the performance of his duties, each member shall take and subscribe to the oath required by section five, article four of the constitution of this state. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term of the member whose office shall be vacant and such appointment shall be made within sixty days of the occurrence of such vacancy. Any member may be removed by the governor in case of incompetency, neglect of duty, gross immorality or malfeasance in office.

(c) The board shall elect from its membership a chairman and secretary who shall serve at the will and pleasure of the board. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum and meetings shall be held at the call of the chairman or upon the written request of three members at such time and place as designated in such call or request, and, in any event, the board shall meet at least once annually to conduct the examination hereinafter provided for and to transact such other business as may come before it. Mem-
bers may be paid such reasonable compensation as the board may from time to time determine, and in addition may be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties, which compensation and expenses shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b), section six of this article.

§30-21-6. Powers and duties of board; funds of board.

(a) The board shall:

(1) Examine applicants and determine their eligibility for a license or temporary permit to engage in the practice of psychology;

(2) Prepare, conduct and grade an apt and proper written, oral or written and oral examination of applicants for a license and determine the satisfactory passing score thereon;

(3) Promulgate reasonable rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this article and the powers and duties conferred upon the board hereby, including, but not limited to, reasonable rules and regulations establishing standards to insure the proper supervision of all persons working under the direct and regular supervision of a licensee under the provisions of this article, all of which reasonable rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code;

(4) Issue, renew, deny, suspend or revoke licenses and temporary permits to engage in the practice of psychology in accordance with the provisions of this article and, in accordance with the administrative procedures hereinafter provided, may review, affirm, reverse, vacate or modify its order with respect to any such denial, suspension or revocation;

(5) Investigate alleged violations of the provisions of this article, reasonable rules and regulations promulgated hereunder and orders and final decisions of the board and take appropriate disciplinary action against any licensee for the violation thereof or institute appropriate
legal action for the enforcement of the provisions of
this article, reasonable rules and regulations promulgated
hereunder and orders and final decisions of the board
or take such disciplinary action and institute such legal
action;
(6) Employ, direct, discharge and define the duties
of full or part-time professional, clerical or other per-
sonnel necessary to effectuate the provisions of this
article;
(7) Keep accurate and complete records of its pro-
ceedings, certify the same as may be appropriate, and
prepare, from time to time, a list showing the names
and addresses of all licensees;
(8) Whenever it deems it appropriate, confer with
the attorney general or his assistants in connection with
all legal matters and questions; and
(9) Take such other action as may be reasonably
necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of
this article.
(b) All moneys paid to the board shall be accepted
by a person designated by the board and deposited by
him with the treasurer of the state and credited to an
account to be known as the “board of examiners of psy-
chologists fund.” All of the reasonable compensation of
the members of the board, the reimbursement of all
reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred by
such members and all other costs and expenses incurred
by the board in the administration of this article shall
be paid from such fund, and no part of the state’s general
revenue fund shall be expended for this purpose.

§30-21-7. Qualifications of applicants; exceptions; applications; fee.

(a) To be eligible for a license to engage in the prac-
tice of psychology, the applicant must:
(1) Be at least twenty-one years of age;
(2) Be of good moral character;
(3) Be a holder of a doctor of philosophy degree or
its equivalent or a master’s degree in psychology from an
accredited institution of higher learning, with adequate
course study at such institution in psychology, the adequacy of any such course study to be determined by the board;

(4) When the degree held is a doctor of philosophy degree or its equivalent, have at least two-years' experience subsequent to receiving said degree in the performance of any of the psychological services described in subdivision (e), section two of this article, including those activities excluded from the definition of the term "practice of psychology" in said subdivision (e), and, when the degree held is a master's degree, have at least eight years' experience subsequent to receiving said degree in the performance of any of the psychological services described in said subdivision (e), including those activities excluded from the definition of the term "practice of psychology" in said subdivision (e);

(5) Have passed the examination prescribed by the board, which examination shall cover the basic subject matter of psychology and psychological skills and techniques;

(6) Not have been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude; and

(7) Not, within the next preceding six months, have taken and failed to pass the examination required by subdivision (5), subsection (a) of this section.

(b) The following persons shall be eligible for a license to engage in the practice of psychology without examination:

(1) Any applicant who holds a doctor of philosophy degree or its equivalent from an institution of higher learning, with adequate course study at such institution in psychology and who is a diplomate of the "American Board of Examiners in Professional Psychology"; and

(2) Any person who holds a license or certificate to engage in the practice of psychology issued by any other state, the requirements for which license or certificate are found by the board to be at least as great as those provided in this article.
(c) Any person who is engaged in the practice of psychology in this state, or is engaged in any of the activities described in subparagraphs (1), (2), or (3), subdivision (e), section two of this article, in this state, on the effective date of this article and has been so engaged for a period of two consecutive years immediately prior thereto shall be eligible for a license to engage in the practice of psychology without examination and without meeting the requirements of subdivision (4), subsection (a) of this section, if application for such license is made within six months after the effective date of this article and if such person meets the requirements of subdivisions (1), (2), (3) and (6), subsection (a) of this section.

(d) Any applicant for any such license shall submit an application therefor at such time (subject to the time limitation set forth in subsection (c) of this section), in such manner, on such forms and containing such information as the board may from time to time by reasonable rule and regulation prescribe, and pay to the board a license fee of fifteen dollars, which fee shall be returned to the applicant if he is denied a license.

§30-21-8. Issuance of license; renewal of license; renewal fee; display of license.

Whenever the board finds that an applicant meets all of the requirements of this article for a license to engage in the practice of psychology, it shall forthwith issue to him such license; and otherwise the board shall deny the same. The license shall be valid for a period of two years from the date issued and may be renewed for a period of two years without examination upon application for renewal on a form prescribed by the board and payment to the board of a renewal fee of ten dollars: Provided, That the board may deny an application for renewal for any reason which would justify the denial of an original application for a license. The board shall prescribe the form of licenses and each license shall be conspicuously displayed by the licensee at his principal place of practice.

(a) Upon proper application the board may issue, without examination, a temporary permit to engage in the practice of psychology in this state:

(1) Pending examination, to an applicant who meets the qualifications of subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4), (6) and (7), subsection (a), section seven of this article, which temporary permit shall expire thirty days after the board gives written notice of the results of the examination held next following the issuance of such temporary permit, and such permit may not be renewed nor another thereof issued to the same person; and

(2) To a psychologist who is not a resident of this state and who meets the requirements of subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4), (6) and (7), subsection (a), section seven of this article, which temporary permit shall be valid only for a period of ninety days in the calendar year in which issued, and such permit may not be renewed nor another thereof issued to the same person in the same calendar year.

(b) The fee for any temporary permit shall be fifteen dollars.

§30-21-10. Suspension or revocation of license or temporary permit.

(a) The board may at any time upon its own motion and shall upon the verified written complaint of any person conduct an investigation to determine whether there are any grounds for the suspension or revocation of a license or temporary permit issued under the provisions of this article.

(b) The board shall suspend or revoke any license or temporary permit when it finds the holder thereof has:

(1) Been convicted of a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude;

(2) Obtained a license or temporary permit by means of fraud or deceit;
(3) Been incompetent, grossly negligent, or guilty of other malpractice as defined by the board by reasonable rules and regulations; or

(4) Failed or refused to comply with the provisions of this article or any reasonable rule and regulation promulgated by the board hereunder or any order or final decision of the board.

(c) The board shall also suspend or revoke any license or temporary permit if it finds the existence of any grounds which would justify the denial of an application for such license or temporary permit if application were then being made for it.


(a) Whenever the board shall deny an application for any original or renewal license or deny an application for a temporary permit or shall suspend or revoke any license or temporary permit, it shall make and enter an order to that effect and serve a copy thereof on the applicant or licensee, as the case may be, by certified mail, return receipt requested. Such order shall state the grounds for the action taken and shall require that any license or temporary permit suspended or revoked thereby shall be returned to the board by the holder within twenty days after receipt of said copy of said order.

(b) Any person adversely affected by any such order shall be entitled to a hearing thereon (as to all issues not excluded from the definition of a “contested case” as set forth in article one, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code) if, within twenty days after receipt of a copy thereof, he files with the board a written demand for such hearing. A demand for hearing shall operate automatically to stay or suspend the execution of any order suspending or revoking a license or temporary permit or denying an application for a renewal license. The board may require the person demanding such hearing to give reasonable security for the costs thereof and if such person does not substantially prevail at such hearing such costs shall be assessed against him.
and may be collected by an action at law or other proper remedy.

(c) Upon receipt of a written demand for such hearing, the board shall set a time and place therefor not less than ten and not more than thirty days thereafter. Any scheduled hearing may be continued by the board upon its own motion or for good cause shown by the person demanding the hearing.

(d) All of the pertinent provisions of article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code shall apply to and govern the hearing and the administrative procedures in connection with and following such hearing, with like effect as if the provisions of said article five were set forth in this subsection.

(e) Any such hearing shall be conducted by a quorum of the board. For the purpose of conducting any such hearing any member of the board shall have the power and authority to issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum which shall be issued and served within the time, for the fees and shall be enforced, as specified in section one, article five of said chapter twenty-nine-a, and all of the said section one provisions dealing with subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum shall apply to subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum issued for the purpose of a hearing hereunder.

(f) At any such hearing the person who demanded the same may represent himself or be represented by an attorney at law admitted to practice before any circuit court of this state. Upon request by the board, it shall be represented at any such hearing by the attorney general or his assistants without additional compensation.

(g) After any such hearing and consideration of all of the testimony, evidence and record in the case, the board shall render its decision in writing. The written decision of the board shall be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law as specified in section three, article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, and a copy of such decision and accompanying findings and conclusions shall be served by certified mail, return
§30-21-12. Judicial review; appeal to supreme court of appeals; legal representation for board.

Any person adversely affected by a decision of the board rendered after a hearing held in accordance with the provisions of section eleven of this article shall be entitled to judicial review thereof. All of the pertinent provisions of section four, article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code shall apply to and govern such judicial review with like effect as if the provisions of said section four were set forth in this section.

The judgment of the circuit court shall be final unless reversed, vacated or modified on appeal to the supreme court of appeals in accordance with the provisions of section one, article six, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.

Legal counsel and services for the board in all appeal proceedings in any circuit court and the supreme court of appeals shall be provided by the attorney general or his assistants and in any circuit court by the prosecuting attorney of the county as well, all without additional compensation.

§30-21-13. Penalties.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this article, any of the reasonable rules and regulations promulgated hereunder or any order or any final decision of the board shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than six months, or both fined and imprisoned.

§30-21-14. Actions to enjoin violations.

Whenever it appears to the board that any person has been or is violating or is about to violate any provision
of this article, any reasonable rule and regulation promul-
gated hereunder or any order or final decision of the board,
the board may apply in the name of the state to the circuit
court of the county in which the violation or violations
or any part thereof has occurred, is occurring or is about
to occur, or the judge thereof in vacation, for an injunc-
tion against such person and any other persons who have
been, are or are about to be, involved in any practices,
acts or omissions, so in violation, enjoining such person
or persons from any such violation or violations. Such
application may be made and prosecuted to conclusion
whether or not any such violation or violations have re-
sulted or shall result in prosecution or conviction under
the provisions of section thirteen of this article.

Upon application by the board, the circuit courts of
this state may by mandatory or prohibitory injunction
compel compliance with the provisions of this article,
the reasonable rules and regulations promulgated here-
under and all orders and final decisions of the board.
The court may issue a temporary injunction in any case
pending a decision on the merits of any application
filed.

The judgment of the circuit court upon any applica-
tion permitted by the provisions of this section shall
be final unless reversed, vacated or modified on appeal
to the supreme court of appeals. Any such appeal shall
be sought in the manner and within the time provided
by law for appeals from circuit courts in other civil
actions.

The board shall be represented in all such proceedings
by the attorney general or his assistants and in such pro-
cedings in the circuit court by the prosecuting attorneys
of the several counties as well, all without additional
compensation.


If any provision of this article or the application thereof
to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or
invalid, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not
affect other provisions or applications of the article, and
to this end the provisions of this article are declared to be severable.

CHAPTER 63

(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 111—Originating in the Senate Committee on Finance)

(Passed February 6, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two, fourteen, twenty-two, twenty-five and thirty-one, article ten, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to definitions of words used in the West Virginia public employees retirement act; service credit; retirement annuity; disability retirement; and employers' contributions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two, fourteen, twenty-two, twenty-five and thirty-one, article ten, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 10. WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ACT.

§5-10-2. Definitions.
§5-10-14. Service credit.
§5-10-22. Retirement annuity.
§5-10-25. Disability retirement.
§5-10-31. Employers accumulation fund; employers contributions.

§5-10-2. Definitions.

1 The following words and phrases as used in this article, unless a different meaning is clearly indicated by the context, shall have the following meanings:

4 (1) "State" means the state of West Virginia;

5 (2) "Retirement system" or "system" means the West Virginia public employees retirement system created and established by this article;

8 (3) "Board of trustees" or "board" means the board of trustees of the West Virginia public employees retirement system;
(4) "Political subdivision" means the state of West Virginia, a county, city or town in the state; a school corporation or corporate unit; any separate corporation or instrumentality established by one or more counties, cities or towns, as permitted by law; any corporation or instrumentality supported in most part by counties, cities or towns; any public corporation charged by law with the performance of a governmental function and whose jurisdiction is coextensive with one or more counties, cities or towns, any agency or organization established by, or approved by the department of mental health for the provision of community health or mental retardation services, and which is supported in part by state, county or municipal funds;

(5) "Participating public employer" means the state of West Virginia, any board, commission, department, institution or spending unit, and shall include any agency created by rule of the supreme court of appeals having full-time employees, which for the purposes of this article shall be deemed a department of state government; and any political subdivision in the state which has elected to cover its employees, as defined in this article, under the West Virginia public employees retirement system;

(6) "Employee" means any person who serves regularly as an officer or employee, full time, on a salary basis, whose tenure is not restricted as to temporary or provisional appointment, in the service of, and whose compensation is payable in whole or in part by any political subdivision, or an officer or employee whose compensation is calculated on a daily basis and paid monthly or on completion of assignment, including technicians and other personnel employed by the West Virginia national guard whose compensation in whole or in part is paid by the federal government: Provided, That members of the state Legislature, the clerk of the House of Delegates, the clerk of the state Senate, members of the legislative body of any political subdivision and judges of the state court of claims shall be considered to be employees, anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding. In any case of doubt as to who is an employee within the meaning of this article the board of trustees shall decide the question;
"Member" means any person who is included in the membership of the retirement system;

"Retirant" means any member who retires with an annuity payable by the retirement system;

"Beneficiary" means any person, except a retirant, who is entitled to, or will be entitled to, an annuity or other benefit payable by the retirement system;

"Service" means personal service rendered to a participating public employer by an employee, as defined in this article, of a participating public employer;

"Prior service" means service rendered prior to July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-one, to the extent credited a member as provided in this article;

"Contributing service" means service rendered by a member from and after the date of his entrance in the retirement system, to the extent credited him as provided in this article;

"Credited service" means the sum of a member's prior service credit and contributing service credit standing to his credit as provided in this article;

"Compensation" means the remuneration paid a member by a participating public employer for personal services rendered by him to the participating public employer. In the event a member's remuneration is not all paid in money, his participating public employer shall fix the value of the portion of his remuneration which is not paid in money;

"Final average salary" means the average of the highest annual compensation received by a member during any period of three consecutive years of his credited service contained within his ten years of credited service immediately preceding the date his employment with a participating public employer last terminated. If he has less than five years of credited service, his final average salary shall be the average of the annual rate of compensation received by him during his total years of credited service. Final average salary for members of the Legislature means their actual compensation serving as a member of the Legislature multiplied by eight; plus any other compensation they receive from any other participating public employer including the state of West Virginia;
(16) "Accumulated contributions" means the sum of all amounts deducted from the compensations of a member and credited to his individual account in the members' deposit fund, together with regular interest thereon;

(17) "Regular interest" means such rate or rates of interest per annum, compounded annually, as the board of trustees shall from time to time adopt;

(18) "Annuity" means an annual amount payable by the retirement system throughout the life of a person. All annuities shall be paid in equal monthly installments, using the upper cent for any fraction of a cent;

(19) "Annuity reserve" means the present value of all payments to be made to a retirant or beneficiary of a retirant on account of any annuity, computed upon the basis of such mortality and other tables of experience, and regular interest, as the board of trustees shall from time to time adopt;

(20) "Retirement" means a member's withdrawal from the employ of a participating public employer with an annuity payable by the retirement system;

(21) "Actuarial equivalent" means a benefit of equal value computed upon the basis of such mortality table and regular interest as the board of trustees shall from time to time adopt;

(22) The masculine gender shall include the feminine gender, and words of the singular number with respect to persons shall include the plural number, and vice versa.

§5-10-14. Service credit.

(a) The board of trustees shall credit each member with the prior service and contributing service to which he is entitled based upon such rules and regulations as the board of trustees shall from time to time adopt: Provided, That in no case shall less than ten days of service rendered by a member in any calendar month be credited as a month of service; nor shall less than ten months of service rendered in any calendar year be credited as a year of service; nor shall more than one year of service be credited any member for all service rendered by him in any calendar year; nor
shall any member who was not in the employ of a political subdivision within a period of twenty-five years immediately preceding the date the political subdivision became a participating public employer be credited with prior service.

(b) The board of trustees shall grant service credit to employees of boards of health, the clerk of the House of Delegates and the clerk of the state Senate, or to any former and present member of the state teachers retirement system who have been contributing members for more than three years, for service previously credited by the state teachers retirement system, and shall require the transfer of the member's contributions to the retirement system, and shall also require a deposit, with interest, of any withdrawals of contributions any time prior to said member's retirement. Repayment of withdrawals shall be as directed by the board of trustees.

(c) Court reporters who are acting in an official capacity, although paid by funds other than the county court or state auditor, may receive prior service credit for such time as served in such capacity.

§5-10-22. Retirement annuity.

Upon a member's retirement, as provided in this article, he shall receive a straight life annuity equal to one and five-tenths percent of his final average salary multiplied by the number of years, and fraction of a year, of his credited service in force at the time of his retirement: Provided, That after March one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, all members retired and all members retiring shall receive a straight life annuity equal to two percent of his final average salary multiplied by the number of years, and fraction of a year, of his credited service in force at the time of his retirement. In either event, upon his retirement he shall have the right to elect an option provided for in section twenty-four hereof. All annuity payments shall commence effective the first of the month following the month in which a member retires or a member dies leaving a beneficiary entitled to benefits and shall continue to the end of the month in which
said retirant or beneficiary dies, and said annuity payments shall not be prorated for any portion of a month in which a member retires or retirant or beneficiary dies.

Any member of the Legislature who retires, or former member who has been retired under this article, shall receive an annuity as provided herein based upon the salary at the time of his retirement, which annuity shall be changed from time to time during the period of his retirement and shall be changed proportionately when and if the compensation of members of the Legislature is changed: Provided further, That all former members of the Legislature, now retired, shall, effective March one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, have their annuity readjusted in accordance with subdivision (15), section two, of this article, as amended.

§5-10-25. Disability retirement.

(a) Upon the application of a member or former member of the retirement system, or his present or past employing authority, any member or former member who (1) is or was in the employ of a participating public employer, (2) has ten or more years of credited service, and (3) becomes totally and permanently incapacitated for employment, by reason of a personal injury or disease, may be retired by the board of trustees if after a medical examination of the said member or former member, made by or under the direction of a medical committee consisting of two physicians, one of whom shall be named by the board, and one by the said member or former member, the said medical committee reports, in writing, to the board that (1) the said member or former member is physically or mentally totally incapacitated for employment, (2) that such incapacity will probably be permanent, and (3) that the said member or former member should be retired. In the event the two above-mentioned physicians do not agree in their findings, then the board of trustees may, at its discretion, appoint a third physician to examine said member or former member and, based upon the third physician's report in writing, the board may retire said member or former member.
(b) A member with less than ten years of credited service shall have the service requirement provided for in subsection (a) above waived in the event (1) the board of trustees finds his total and permanent disability to be the natural and proximate result of a personal injury or disease arising out of and in the course of his actual performance of duty in the employ of a participating public employer, and (2) he is in receipt of workers' compensation on account of such physical or mental disability.

(c) For those members or former members retiring and those members retired, as of March one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, he shall receive a straight life annuity computed according to section twenty-two hereof and he shall have the right to elect an option provided for in section twenty-four hereof: Provided, however, That his straight life annuity payable to his attainment of age sixty-five years shall not be less than fifty percent of his final average salary; and his said straight life annuity payable from and after his attainment of age sixty-five years shall not be less than twenty percent of his final average salary: Provided further, That his said annuity shall be subject to section twenty-six hereof.

§5-10-31. Employers accumulation fund; employers contributions.

(a) The employers accumulation fund is hereby created. It shall be the fund in which shall be accumulated the contributions made by the participating public employers to the retirement system, and from which transfers shall be made as provided in this section.

(b) Based upon the provisions of section thirteen of this article, the participating public employers contributions to the retirement system shall be determined, according to subdivisions one, two, three and four below, for the state as the state division, and for the other participating public employers as the public employer division.

(1) The participating public employers contributions for members' current service shall be a percent of the members' annual compensation which will equal an
amount which if paid annually by the participating public
employers during the members' future service will be
sufficient to provide, at the time annuities will become
payable on their account, the difference between the an-
uity reserves for the future service portions of the an-
uities to be paid and the present value of the members'
future net contributions.

(2) The participating public employers contributions
for members' accrued service shall be a percent of the
members' annual compensation which will equal an
amount which if paid annually by the participating public
employers over a period of years, to be determined by
the board of trustees, will amortize, at regular interest,
the unfunded annuity reserves for the accrued portions
of the annuities to be paid on account of members.

(3) The participating public employers contributions
for annuities being paid retirants and beneficiaries shall
be a percent of the members' annual compensations which
will equal an amount which if paid annually by the par-
ticipating public employers over a period of years, to be
determined by the board of trustees, will amortize, at
regular interest, the unfunded annuity reserves for an-
uities being paid retirants and beneficiaries.

(4) In no year shall the total of the contributions, pro-
vided for in subdivisions one, two and three above, to
be paid by any participating public employer exceed ten
and five-tenths percent of the total payroll for the mem-
ers in the employ of such participating public employer
for the preceding fiscal year.

CHAPTER 64
(House Bill No. 721—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section sixteen, article one,
chapter twenty-five of the code of West Virginia, one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the
transfer of inmates of state institutions.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section sixteen, article one, chapter twenty-five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

§25-1-16. Transfer of inmates of state institutions.

1 The state commissioner of public institutions shall have authority to cause the transfer of any patient or inmate from any state institution to any other state or federal institution which is better fitted for the care or treatment of such patient or inmate, or for other good cause or reason.

7 Whenever a convict in a state prison becomes mentally ill, the warden shall proceed in accordance with section thirty-one, article five, chapter twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended.

12 Whenever a convict in a state prison needs medical attention, other than mental care, not available at said prison, the warden or superintendent of said prison shall immediately notify the commissioner of public institutions, who, after proper investigation, shall cause the transfer of said convict to a hospital within the state of West Virginia properly equipped to render the medical attention necessary. Such a convict, while receiving treatment in said hospital, shall be under guard at all times and shall forthwith be returned to prison upon his recovery.

CHAPTER 65

(House Bill No. 516—By Mrs. Withrow and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 5, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]
hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to state benevolent institutions; continuation; management; superintendent; and renaming of Pinecrest sanitarium.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article five, chapter twenty-six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. PINECREST HOSPITAL.

§26-5-1. Continuation; management; superintendent.

1 The tuberculosis sanitarium heretofore established at Beckley, for the care and treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, shall be continued and shall be known as Pinecrest hospital, and shall be managed, directed and controlled as prescribed in article one, chapter twenty-five, and in section eight, article one, chapter sixteen of the code. The chief executive officer of such hospital shall be the superintendent, who shall be a legally qualified physician of at least six years' experience in the practice of his profession and who shall be a person of good executive ability.

CHAPTER 66

(Senate Bill No. 161—By Mr. Carrigan and Mr. Holliday)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one, two, three, four and five, article five-a, chapter twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said article by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections six and seven, all relating to the establishment and continuance; management and control; appointment of warden; bond; duties; residence; laws governing penitentiary applicable; exceptions; transfer of prisoners; sentencing of
prisoners; and the renaming of the "West Virginia medium security prison."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one, two, three, four and five, article five-a, chapter twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections six and seven; all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5A. HUTTONSVILLE CORRECTIONAL CENTER.

§28-5A-1. Establishment and continuance.
§28-5A-3. Appointment of warden; bond; duties; residence.
§28-5A-4. Laws governing penitentiary applicable; exception.
§28-5A-5. Transfer of prisoners.
§28-5A-6. Diagnostic and classification division established.
§28-5A-7. Diagnosis and classification of prisoners sentenced to penitentiary.

§28-5A-1. Establishment and continuance.

1 The prison farm near Huttonsville in the county of
2 Randolph, undertaken pursuant to chapter eighty-six,
3 acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, one thousand
4 nine hundred thirty-seven, is hereby established, and
5 shall be continued as the "Huttonsville Correctional
6 Center."


1 Huttonsville correctional center, a medium security
2 state prison, shall be managed, directed, and controlled
3 as provided in chapter twenty-five of this code.

§28-5A-3. Appointment of warden; bond; duties; residence.

1 The warden shall be the chief executive officer of
2 Huttonsville correctional center. He shall be appointed
3 by the governor, by and with the advice and consent
4 of the Senate, and shall give bond in such sum as the
5 commissioner of public institutions may require. His
6 duties shall be fixed by the commissioner of public in-
7 stitutions, and shall conform to, as nearly as possible,
8 the duties heretofore assigned to the warden of the West
9 Virginia penitentiary at Moundsville. The warden shall
10 reside in or near the prison.
§28-5A-4. Laws governing penitentiary applicable; exception.

1 The laws governing the West Virginia penitentiary at Moundsville shall, as nearly as may be, apply to Huttonsville correctional center except that criminal proceedings against inmates in said prison shall be in the circuit court of the county of Randolph.

§28-5A-5. Transfer of prisoners.

1 Upon the request of the warden of the West Virginia penitentiary or the warden of Huttonsville correctional center, the commissioner of public institutions may, in his discretion, order the transfer of prisoners from one institution to the other.

§28-5A-6. Diagnostic and classification division established.

1 The commissioner of public institutions shall establish a diagnostic and classification division within the Huttonsville correctional center. This division shall be a maximum security facility.

§28-5A-7. Diagnosis and classification of prisoners sentenced to penitentiary.

1 Notwithstanding any provision of the code to the contrary, all prisoners sentenced to the West Virginia penitentiary at Moundsville after October one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, shall, upon imposition of such sentence, first undergo diagnosis and classification at the Huttonsville correctional center.

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CHAPTER 67

(Senate Bill No. 19—By Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed February 3, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article three, chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the public service commission fund.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article three, chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS OF COMMISSION.

§24-3-6. Special license fee; “public service commission fund.”

(a) All public utilities subject to the provisions of this chapter shall pay a special license fee in addition to those now required by law. The amount of such fees shall be fixed by the auditor and levied by him upon each of such public utilities according to the value of its property as ascertained by the last assessment, and shall be apportioned among such public utilities upon the basis of such valuation, so as to produce a revenue of three hundred twenty thousand dollars per annum, which fees shall be paid on or before the twentieth day of January in each year. Such sum of three hundred twenty thousand dollars, together with that provided in subsection (b) hereof shall be paid into the state treasury and kept as a special fund, designated “public service commission fund,” to be appropriated as provided by law for the purpose of paying the salaries of the commission, as fixed by this chapter, its expenses and salaries, compensations, costs and expenses of its employees.

(b) All public utilities subject to the provisions of this chapter shall pay a special license fee in addition to any and all fees now required by law. The amount of such fees shall be fixed by the auditor and levied by him upon each of such public utilities, in the proportion which the total gross revenue derived from intrastate business done by each of such public utilities in the calendar year next preceding bears to the total gross revenue derived from intrastate business done in such year by all public utilities subject to regulation by the public service commission, so as to produce a revenue of six hundred forty thousand dollars per annum, in addition to such fees as may be fixed by the auditor under the provisions of subsection (a) hereof and which fees shall be paid on or before the
first day of July in each year. Such sum of six hundred forty thousand dollars shall be paid into the state treasury and be kept, appropriated and used as provided in subsection (a) hereof.

(c) Any balance in said fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not revert to the treasury but shall remain in said fund and may be appropriated and used as provided in subsection (a) hereof.

(d) With respect to the fiscal year which began on July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Legislature that the provisions of subsection (b) hereof shall be applicable to said fiscal year which began on July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, and the auditor shall fix such fees as provided for in said subsection at an amount so as to produce during said fiscal year a revenue of six hundred forty thousand dollars. Any additional amount levied upon public utilities as a result of said subsection (b) for said fiscal year which began on July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, shall be paid not later than April one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, and all such fees for each and every fiscal year thereafter shall be paid as specified in said subsection (b).

CHAPTER 68

(Senate Bill No. 24—By Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed February 7, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article one, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, and that section one, article two-a of said chapter be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

Article
1. Definitions.
2A. West Virginia Commissioner of Highways.

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS.

§17-1-2. “Commission”; “road commission”; “state road commission.”

1 The words and terms “commission,” “road commission” or “state road commission,” when used in this chapter, except in article two thereof and in references to the commission established by said article, shall refer to and mean the West Virginia commissioner of highways, created by section one, article two-a of this chapter. Whenever reference is made to the “commission,” “road commission” or “state road commission,” the power or duty prescribed shall apply to the West Virginia commissioner of highways, unless the context clearly requires a different meaning.

ARTICLE 2A. WEST VIRGINIA COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS.

§17-2A-1. Duties of state road commissioner transferred to department of highways; department to act through commissioner of highways; office of commissioner of highways created; appointment, etc.

1 The office of state road commissioner heretofore existing is hereby continued in all respects as heretofore constituted, but is hereby designated as the West Virginia department of highways. All duties and responsibilities heretofore imposed upon the state road commissioner and the powers exercised by him are hereby transferred to the West Virginia department of highways and such duties and responsibilities shall be performed by the said department and the powers may be exercised thereby through the West Virginia commissioner of highways, who shall be the chief executive officer of the department.
There is hereby created the office of West Virginia commissioner of highways, who shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, subject to the provisions of section two-a, article seven, chapter six of this code. Also subject to the provisions of section two-a, article seven, chapter six of this code, the state road commissioner in office when this section takes effect, shall, unless sooner removed, continue in the office of West Virginia commissioner of highways until a successor is appointed pursuant to the terms of this article.

CHAPTER 69
(Senate Bill No. 18—By Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed February 10, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section seventeen-b, article four, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the relocation of public utility facilities to accommodate federal aid highway projects.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seventeen-b, article four, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4. STATE ROAD SYSTEM.
§17-4-17b. Relocation of public utility lines to accommodate federal-aid highway projects.

1 Whenever the state road commissioner shall determine that any public utility line or facility located upon, across or under any portion of a state highway shall be relocated in order to accommodate a federal-aid interstate or Appalachian highway project, and upon such determination and due notice thereof, the public utility owning or operating such facility shall relocate the same in accordance with the order of the commissioner; then the cost of such relocation shall be paid out of the state road fund in all cases
involved the interstate or the Appalachian system where
proportionate reimbursement of such cost shall be ob-
tained by the state road commissioner from the United
States pursuant to the “Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956”
or the “Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965”,
as amended, and all acts amendatory or supplementary
thereto: Provided, That the cost of any relocation of mu-
nicipally owned utility facilities and water or sanitary dis-
tricts or authorities shall be paid out of state road funds
in any case involving any federal-aid system where pro-
portionate reimbursement of such cost shall be obtained
by the state road commissioner from the United States.

For the purposes of this section, the term, “cost of re-
location”, shall include the entire amount paid by such
utility, exclusive of any right-of-way costs incurred by
such utility, properly attributable to such relocation after
deducting therefrom any increase in the value of the new
facility and salvage value derived from the old facility.

The cost of relocating utility facilities, as defined herein,
in connection with any federal-aid interstate or Appa-
lachian highway project is hereby declared to be a cost
of highway construction.

CHAPTER 70

(Senate Bill No. 138—By Mr. Carrigan and Mr. Crawford)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

AN ACT authorizing the issuance and sale by the governor of
bonds of the state of West Virginia, under authority of
the Better Roads Amendment of 1964, in an amount not
exceeding twenty million dollars during the fiscal year
ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred seventy-
one, for the sole purpose of raising funds for the building
and construction of free state roads and highways as pro-
vided for by the constitution and the laws enacted there-
under; specifying the powers of and limitations upon the
governor in the issuance and sale of such bonds; prescribing the duties of the auditor and treasurer with respect to such bonds; providing for redemption; providing for transfer and registration fees with respect to registered bonds and the disposition of such fees; providing for places of payment of principal and interest on such bonds; exempting such bonds from taxation by the state, or by any county, district, or municipality thereof; setting forth the form of coupon and registered bonds and coupons; stating what moneys shall be paid into the state road sinking fund; providing for the disposition and investment of the state road sinking fund; providing a covenant between the state and the bondholders; providing that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds shall be paid into a separate and distinct account in the state road fund and for expenditures from such account; providing that the plates, etc., from which the bonds are produced or made shall be the property of the state; providing for interim certificates in lieu of permanent bonds; and declaring that all necessary expenses incurred in the execution of the act shall be paid out of the state road fund on warrants of the auditor drawn on the state treasurer.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ISSUANCE AND SALE OF ROAD BONDS.

§1. Road bonds; amount; redemption; when may issue.

§2. Transfer fee; registration fee; where payable; interest rate; tax exempt.

§3. Form of bond.

§4. Form of coupon.

§5. Listing by auditor.

§6. State road sinking fund sources used to pay bonds and interest; investment of remainder.

§7. Covenants of state.

§8. Sale by governor; minimum price.

§9. Proceeds paid into separate account in state road fund; expenditures.

§10. Plates, etc., property of state.

§11. Auditor to be custodian of unsold bonds.

§12. Interim certificates.

§13. Payment of expenses.

§1. Road bonds; amount; redemption; when may issue.

1 Bonds of the state of West Virginia, under authority
2 of the Better Roads Amendment of 1964, of the par
value not to exceed twenty million dollars during the
fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hun-
dred seventy-one, are hereby authorized to be issued and
sold for the sole purpose of raising funds for the build-
ing and construction of free state roads and highways as
provided for by the constitution and the laws enacted
thereunder. Such bonds may be issued by the governor
in such amounts, in coupons or registered form, in such
denominations, at such time, bearing such date or dates
and redemption provisions, if any, as the governor may
determine, based upon an examination of the state road
commission’s yearly program which justifies the issuance
by the governor of said bonds, and shall become due and
payable serially, annually or semiannually, in such
amounts and mature in such years as the governor may
determine: Provided, however, That such bonds shall
mature within and not exceeding twenty-five years from
their date. The governor may retain such fiscal, financial
and other professional services as he may deem necessary
and desirable for the issuance and sale of said bonds.

§2. Transfer fee; registration fee; where payable; interest
rate; tax exempt.

The auditor and the treasurer are hereby authorized
to arrange for the transfer of registered bonds and for
each such transfer a fee of fifty cents shall be charged
by and paid to the state of West Virginia, to the credit
of the state road sinking fund. Bonds taken in exchange
shall be cancelled by the auditor and treasurer and be
carefully preserved by the treasurer. The treasurer shall
make provisions for registering “payable to bearer” bonds,
and for each bond registered a fee of fifty cents shall
likewise be charged by and paid to the state of West
Virginia, to the credit of the state road sinking fund.
All such bonds shall be payable at the office of the
treasurer of the state of West Virginia, or, at the option
of the holder, at a bank in the city of New York to be
designated by the governor, or, at the option of the
holder at such other bank or banks, within or without
the state, as may be designated or approved by the
governor. The bonds shall bear interest, payable semi-
annually, to bearer, at the office of the treasurer of the
state of West Virginia, at the capitol of the state, or at
the banks designated and approved by the governor,
upon presentation and surrender of interest coupons,
then due, in the case of coupon bonds. For the payment
of interest on registered bonds, the treasurer of the state
of West Virginia shall requisition a warrant from the
auditor of the state to be drawn on the state treasurer,
and shall mail such warrant to the registered owner at
the address as shown by the record of registration. Both
the principal and interest of the bonds shall be payable
in lawful money of the United States of America and
the bonds shall be exempt from taxation by the state of
West Virginia, or by any county, district, or municipality
thereof, which facts shall appear on the face of the bonds
as part of the contract with the holder thereof.

§3. Form of bond.

The bonds shall be executed on behalf of the state of
West Virginia, by the manual or facsimile signature of the
treasurer thereof, under the great seal of the state or a
facsimile thereof, and countersigned by the manual or
facsimile signature of the auditor of the state: Provided,
however, That one of said signatures on said bonds shall be
a manual signature and said bonds shall be in the follow­
ing form or to the following effect, as nearly as may be,
namely:

COUPON ROAD BOND
(Or registered road bond, as the case may be)
OF THE
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
$ ........................................... No. .......... 

The state of West Virginia, under and by virtue of
authority of an amendment to the constitution, which
was proposed by House Joint Resolution No. 10, adopted
the seventh day of March, one thousand nine hundred
sixty-three, and was ratified by a vote of the people at
the general election on the third day of November, one
thousand nine hundred sixty-four, which is hereby made
a part hereof as fully as if set forth at length herein, ac­
knowledges itself to be indebted to and hereby promises
to pay to the bearer hereof (in case of a coupon bond) or
to ...................................................... or assigns (the owner
of record, in case of registered bonds) on the ______ day of
 .......... , 19 .... , in lawful money of the United States of
America at the office of the treasurer of the state of West
Virginia at the capitol of said state, or, at ............... 
 .......... bank in the city of New York, or, at .............
 .......... bank, at the option of the holder, the sum of
 .......... dollars, with interest thereon at .......... per
centum per annum from the date, payable semiannually
in like lawful money of the United States of America at
the treasurer’s office or banks aforesaid, on the first day of
 .......... and the first day of .......... of each year (and
in the case of coupon bonds) according to the tenor of the
annexed coupons bearing the facsimile signature of the
treasurer of the state of West Virginia, upon surrender of
such coupons. This bond (in case of a coupon bond) may
be exchanged for a registered bond of like tenor upon
application to the treasurer of the state of West Virginia.
(Redemption provisions, if any, to be inserted here)

To secure the payment of the principal and interest of
this bond, the state of West Virginia covenants and
agrees with the holder as follows: (1) That this bond
shall constitute a direct and general obligation of the state
of West Virginia; (2) that the full faith and credit of the
state is pledged to secure the payment of the principal and
interest of this bond; (3) that an annual state tax shall be
collected in an amount sufficient to pay as it may accrue
the interest on this bond and the principal thereof; and
(4) that such tax shall be levied in any year only to the
extent that the moneys in the state road fund irrevoca-
bly set aside and appropriated for and applied to the pay-
ment of the interest on and principal of this bond becoming
due and payable in such year are insufficient therefor.

This bond is hereby made exempt from any taxation
by the state of West Virginia, or by any county, district,
or municipal corporation thereof.

In testimony whereof, witness the manual or facsimile
signature of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia,
and the manual or facsimile countersignature of the audi-
tor of the state, hereto affixed according to law, dated the
 .......... day of .......... , one thousand nine hundred ..........,
and the seal of the state of West Virginia or a facsimile thereof.

Treasurer of the State of West Virginia

(SEAL)

Countersigned:

Auditor of the State of West Virginia

§4. Form of coupon.

The form of coupon shall be substantially as follows, to wit:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

Bond No. ____________  Coupon No. ____________

On the first day of ________________, 19__, the state of West Virginia will pay to the bearer, in lawful money of the United States of America, at the office of the treasurer of the state, or, at ________________________________, bank in the city of New York, or, at ________________________________, at the option of the holder, the sum of ________________, dollars, the same being semiannual interest on Road Bond No. ____________.

The signature of the treasurer to such coupon shall be by his facsimile signature and the coupons shall be numbered in the order of their maturity, from number one consecutively. The bonds and coupons may be signed, as provided in this act, by the present treasurer and auditor, or by any of their respective successors in office, and the bonds signed by the persons now in the office may be sold by the governor or his successor in office without being signed by the successor in office of the present treasurer or auditor.

§5. Listing by auditor.

All coupons and registered bonds issued under this bill shall be separately listed by the auditor of the state in books provided for the purpose, in each case giving the date, number, character and amount of obligations issued, and in case of registered bonds, the name and post-office
§6. State road sinking fund sources used to pay bonds and interest; investment of remainder.

Into the state road sinking fund there shall be paid all money from any and all appropriations made by the state from the state road fund for the purpose of paying the interest on such bonds or paying off and retiring the bonds, from transfer and registration fees as herein provided, and from any other source whatsoever which is made liable by law for the payment of the principal of such bonds or the interest thereon.

All such funds shall be kept by the treasurer in a separate account, under the designation aforesaid, and all money belonging to the fund shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit thereof.

Such fund shall be applied by the treasurer of the state first to the payment of the semiannual interest on such bonds as it shall become due as herein provided. The remainder of the fund shall be turned over by the state treasurer to the state sinking fund commission, whose duty it shall be to invest the same in obligations of the government of the United States, bonds of the state of West Virginia, or any political subdivision thereof: Provided, That bonds or other obligations so purchased by the state sinking fund commission shall mature so as to provide sufficient money to pay off all bonds herein provided to be issued as they become due; and the money so paid into the state road sinking fund under the provisions of this act shall be expended for the purpose of paying the interest and principal of the bonds hereby provided for as they severally become due and payable and for no other purpose except that the fund may be invested until needed, as herein provided.

§7. Covenants of state.

The state of West Virginia covenants and agrees with the holders of the bonds issued pursuant hereto as follows: (1) That such bonds shall constitute a direct and general obligation of the state of West Virginia; (2) that
the full faith and credit of the state is hereby pledged to
secure the payment of the principal and interest of such
bonds; (3) that an annual state tax shall be collected in
an amount sufficient to pay as it may accrue the interest
on such bonds and the principal thereof; and (4) that
such tax shall be levied in any year only to the extent
that the moneys in the state road fund irrevocably set
aside and appropriated for and applied to the payment
of the interest on and principal of said bonds becoming
due and payable in such year are insufficient therefor.

§8. Sale by governor; minimum price.
1 The governor shall sell the bonds herein authorized
2 at such time or times as he may determine necessary to
3 provide funds for the building and construction of free
4 state roads and highways, as herein provided, upon the
5 recommendation of the state road commissioner, and after
6 reviewing the program of the state road commission and
7 subject to the limitations contained in section one hereof.
8 All sales shall be at not less than par and accrued interest.
9 All interest coupons becoming payable prior to the sale
10 date shall be cancelled by the treasurer and rendered
11 ineffective, before the delivery of the bonds so sold.

§9. Proceeds paid into separate account in state road fund; expenditures.
1 The proceeds of all sales of bonds herein authorized
2 shall be paid into a separate and distinct account in the
3 state road fund and shall be used and appropriated solely
4 for the building and construction of free state roads and
5 highways provided for by the state constitution and the
6 laws enacted thereunder. Except for such sums necessary
7 for current operating balances, such account shall be
8 invested and reinvested in short-term obligations of the
9 United States treasury: Provided, That no such invest-
10 ment or reinvestment shall adversely affect the current
11 operating balances of such account.

§10. Plates, etc., property of state.
1 The plates, casts, dies or other forms from which the
2 bonds authorized by this act are produced or made shall
3 be the property of the state of West Virginia.
§11. Auditor to be custodian of unsold bonds.
1 The state auditor shall be the custodian of all unsold
2 bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this act.

§12. Interim certificates.
1 The governor may authorize the issuance of interim
2 certificates to be issued to the purchasers of such bonds
3 to be held by them in lieu of permanent bonds. When
4 interim certificates are so issued, they shall become full
5 and legal obligations of the state of West Virginia under
6 all of the provisions of this act just as fully and com-
7 pletely as the permanent bonds.

§13. Payment of expenses.
1 All expenses incurred in the execution of this act,
2 shall be paid out of the state road fund on warrants of
3 the auditor of the state drawn on the state treasurer.
fees; providing for places of payment of principal and interest on such bonds; exempting such bonds from taxation by the state, or by any county, district, or municipality thereof; setting forth the form of coupon and registered bonds and coupons; stating what moneys shall be paid into the state road sinking fund; providing for the disposition and investment of the state road sinking fund; providing a covenant between the state and the bondholders; providing that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds shall be paid into a separate and distinct account in the state road fund and for expenditures from such account; providing that the plates, etc., from which the bonds are produced or made shall be the property of the state; providing for interim certificates in lieu of permanent bonds; and declaring that all necessary expenses incurred in the execution of the act shall be paid out of the state road fund on warrants of the auditor drawn on the state treasurer.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ISSUANCE AND SALE OF ROAD BONDS.

§1. Road bonds; amount; redemption; when may issue.
§2. Transfer fee; registration fee; where payable; interest rate; tax exempt.
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§10. Plates, etc., property of state.
§11. Auditor to be custodian of unsold bonds.
§12. Interim certificates.
§13. Payment of expenses.

§1. Road bonds; amount; redemption; when may issue.

1 Bonds of the state of West Virginia, under authority of
2 the Roads Development Amendment of 1968, of the par
3 value not to exceed seventy million dollars during
4 the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine
5 hundred seventy-one, are hereby authorized to be issued
6 and sold for the sole purpose of raising funds for the
building and construction of free state roads and highways as provided for by the constitution and the laws enacted thereunder. Such bonds may be issued by the governor in such amounts, in coupons or registered form, in such denominations, at such time, bearing such dates or dates and redemption provisions, if any, as the governor may determine, based upon an examination of the state road commission's yearly program which justifies the issuance by the governor of said bonds, and shall become due and payable serially, annually or semi-annually, in such amounts and mature in such years as the governor may determine: Provided, however, That such bonds shall mature within and not exceeding twenty-five years from their date. The governor may retain such fiscal, financial and other professional services as he may deem necessary and desirable for the issuance and sale of said bonds.

§2. Transfer fee; registration fee; where payable; interest rate; tax exempt.

The auditor and the treasurer are hereby authorized to arrange for the transfer of registered bonds and for each such transfer a fee of fifty cents shall be charged by and paid to the state of West Virginia, to the credit of the state road sinking fund. Bonds taken in exchange shall be cancelled by the auditor and treasurer and be carefully preserved by the treasurer. The treasurer shall make provisions for registering "payable to bearer" bonds and for each bond registered a fee of fifty cents shall likewise be charged by and paid to the state of West Virginia, to the credit of the state road sinking fund. All such bonds shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia, or, at the option of the holder, at a bank in the city of New York to be designated by the governor, or, at the option of the holder at such other bank or banks, within or without the state, as may be designated or approved by the governor. The bonds shall bear interest, payable semiannually, to bearer, at the office of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia, at the capitol of the state, or at the banks designated and approved by the governor, upon presentation
and surrender of interest coupons, then due, in the case
of coupon bonds. For the payment of interest on regis-
tered bonds, the treasurer of the state of West Virginia
shall requisition a warrant from the auditor of the state to be drawn on the state treasurer, and shall mail
such warrant to the registered owner at the address as
shown by the record of registration. Both the principal
and interest of the bonds shall be payable in lawful
money of the United States of America and the bonds
shall be exempt from taxation by the state of West Vir-
ginia, or by any county, district, or municipality thereof,
which facts shall appear on the face of the bonds as part
of the contract with the holder thereof.

§3. Form of bond.

The bonds shall be executed on behalf of the state of
West Virginia, by the manual or facsimile signature of
the treasurer thereof, under the great seal of the state
or a facsimile thereof, and countersigned by the manual
or facsimile signature of the auditor of the state: Pro-
vided, however, That one of said signatures on said bonds
shall be a manual signature and said bonds shall be
in the following form or to the following effect, as nearly
as may be, namely:

COUPON ROAD BOND
(Or registered road bond, as the case may be)

OF THE

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

$........................ No. .....................

The state of West Virginia, under and by virtue of
authority of an amendment to the constitution, which
was proposed by Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, adopted
the eighth day of February, one thousand nine hundred
sixty-eight, and was ratified by a vote of the people at
the general election on the fifth day of November, one
thousand nine hundred sixty-eight, which is hereby made
a part hereof as fully as if set forth at length herein,
acknowledges itself to be indebted to and hereby prom-
ises to pay to the bearer hereof (in case of a coupon
bond) or to ................................ or assigns (the owner
of record, in case of registered bonds) on the .................
day of____________________, 19____, in lawful money of the
United States of America at the office of the treasurer
of the state of West Virginia at the capitol of said state,
or, at____________________ bank in the city of New York, or,
at____________________ bank, at the option of the holder,
the sum of __________ dollars, with interest thereon at
________________ per centum per annum from the date, payable
semiannually in like lawful money of the United States
of America at the treasurer's office or banks aforesaid,
on the first day of_______________ and the first day of ______________
of each year (and in the case of coupon bonds) ac-
cording to the tenor of the annexed coupons bearing the
facsimile signature of the treasurer of the state of West
Virginia, upon surrender of such coupons. This bond
(in case of a coupon bond) may be exchanged for a
registered bond of like tenor upon application to the
treasurer of the state of West Virginia.

To secure the payment of the principal and interest
of this bond, the state of West Virginia covenants and
agrees with the holder as follows: (1) That this bond
shall constitute a direct and general obligation of the
state of West Virginia; (2) that the full faith and credit
of the state is pledged to secure the payment of the
principal and interest of this bond; (3) that an annual
state tax shall be collected in an amount sufficient to
pay as it may accrue the interest on this bond and the
principal thereof; and (4) that such tax shall be levied
in any year only to the extent that the moneys in the
state road fund irrevocably set aside and appropriated
for and applied to the payment of the interest on and
principal of this bond becoming due and payable in such
year are insufficient therefor.

This bond is hereby made exempt from any taxation
by the state of West Virginia, or by any county, district,
or municipal corporation thereof.

In testimony whereof, witness the manual or facsimile
signature of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia,
and the manual or facsimile countersignature of the
auditor of the state, hereto affixed according to law,
dated the______________day of____________________, one thousand
The form of coupon shall be substantially as follows, to wit:

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**

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<th>Bond No.</th>
<th>Coupon No.</th>
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On the first day of ________________, 19__, the state of West Virginia will pay to the bearer, in lawful money of the United States of America, at the office of the treasurer of the state, or, at ___________________________ bank in the city of New York, or, at ___________________________, at the option of the holder, the sum of ______________________ dollars, the same being semiannual interest on Road Bond No. _____________.

The signature of the treasurer to such coupon shall be by his facsimile signature and the coupons shall be numbered in the order of their maturity, from number one consecutively. The bonds and coupons may be signed, as provided in this act, by the present treasurer and auditor, or by any of their respective successors in office, and the bonds signed by the persons now in the office may be sold by the governor or his successor in office without being signed by the successor in office of the present treasurer or auditor.

All coupons and registered bonds issued under this bill shall be separately listed by the auditor of the state in books provided for the purpose, in each case giving the date, number, character and amount of obligations issued, and in case of registered bonds, the name and post-office
§6. State road sinking fund sources used to pay bonds and interest; investment of remainder.

Into the state road sinking fund there shall be paid all money from any and all appropriations made by the state from the state road fund for the purpose of paying the interest on such bonds or paying off and retiring the bonds, from transfer and registration fees as herein provided, and from any other source whatsoever which is made liable by law for the payment of the principal of such bonds or the interest thereon.

All such funds shall be kept by the treasurer in a separate account, under the designation aforesaid, and all money belonging to the fund shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit thereof.

Such fund shall be applied by the treasurer of the state first to the payment of the semiannual interest on such bonds as it shall become due as herein provided. The remainder of the fund shall be turned over by the state treasurer to the state sinking fund commission, whose duty it shall be to invest the same in obligations of the government of the United States, bonds of the state of West Virginia, or any political subdivision thereof: Provided, That bonds or other obligations so purchased by the state sinking fund commission shall mature so as to provide sufficient money to pay off all bonds herein provided to be issued as they become due; and the money so paid into the state road sinking fund under the provisions of this act shall be expended for the purpose of paying the interest and principal of the bonds hereby provided for as they severally become due and payable and for no other purpose except that the fund may be invested until needed, as herein provided.

§7. Covenants of state.

The state of West Virginia covenants and agrees with the holders of the bonds issued pursuant hereto as follows: (1) That such bonds shall constitute a direct and general obligation of the state of West Virginia; (2) that
the full faith and credit of the state is hereby pledged to
secure the payment of the principal and interest of such
bonds; (3) that an annual state tax shall be collected in
an amount sufficient to pay as it may accrue the interest
on such bonds and the principal thereof; and (4) that
such tax shall be levied in any year only to the extent that
the moneys in the state road fund irrevocably set aside
and appropriated for and applied to the payment of the
interest on and principal of said bonds becoming due and
payable in such year are insufficient therefor.

§8. Sale by governor; minimum price.
1 The governor shall sell the bonds herein authorized at
2 such time or times as he may determine necessary to
3 provide funds for the building and construction of free
4 state roads and highways, as herein provided, upon the
5 recommendation of the state road commissioner, and after
6 reviewing the program of the state road commission and
7 subject to the limitations contained in section one hereof.
8 All sales shall be at not less than par and accrued interest.
9 All interest coupons becoming payable prior to the sale
date shall be cancelled by the treasurer and rendered
ineffective, before the delivery of the bonds so sold.

§9. Proceeds paid into separate account in state road fund;
expenditures.
1 The proceeds of all sales of bonds herein authorized
2 shall be paid into a separate and distinct account in the
3 state road fund and shall be used and appropriated solely
4 for the building and construction of free state roads and
5 highways provided for by the state constitution and the
6 laws enacted thereunder. Except for such sums necessary
7 for current operating balances, such account shall be
8 invested and reinvested in short-term obligations of the
9 United States treasury: Provided, That no such invest-
10 ment or reinvestment shall adversely affect the current
11 operating balances of such account.

§10. Plates, etc., property of state.
1 The plates, casts, dies or other forms from which the
2 bonds authorized by this act are produced or made shall
3 be the property of the state of West Virginia.
§11. Auditor to be custodian of unsold bonds.
1 The state auditor shall be the custodian of all unsold
2 bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this act.

§12. Interim certificates.
1 The governor may authorize the issuance of interim
2 certificates to be issued to the purchasers of such bonds
3 to be held by them in lieu of permanent bonds. When
4 interim certificates are so issued, they shall become full
5 and legal obligations of the state of West Virginia under
6 all of the provisions of this act just as fully and completely
7 as the permanent bonds.

§13. Payment of expenses.
1 All expenses incurred in the execution of this act, shall
2 be paid out of the state road fund on warrants of the
3 auditor of the state drawn on the state treasurer.

CHAPTER 72
(House Bill No. 757—By Mr. Watson and Mr. Seibert)
[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to repeal sections forty-four and forty-five, article three, chapter five-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend said chapter by adding thereto a new article, designated article eight, relating to the creation of a new division within the department of finance and administration which division shall be known as the state agency for surplus property, providing for the regulation and control of the acquisition of surplus property acquired from the federal government and for its distribution to donable state agencies and institutions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
That sections forty-four and forty-five, article three, chapter five-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that said chapter be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article eight, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8. STATE AGENCY FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY.

§5A-8-1. State agency for surplus property created as division.

§5A-8-2. Commissioner of finance and administration director; duties.

§5A-8-3. Authority and duties of the state agency for surplus property.

§5A-8-4. Power of director to delegate authority; bonding employees.

§5A-8-5. Warehousing, transfer, etc., charges.

§5A-8-6. Department of agriculture and other agencies exempted from application of article.

§5A-8-7. Severability.

§5A-8-1. State agency for surplus property created as division.

1 There is hereby established within the department of finance and administration a division to be known as the state agency for surplus property.

§5A-8-2. Commissioner of finance and administration director; duties.

1 The commissioner of finance and administration is hereby designated as the director of the state agency for surplus property, and with respect to the acquisition of federal surplus property, the agency shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the commissioner of finance and administration. He, as director of the agency, shall prescribe the duties which shall be assigned to the personnel of the state agency for surplus property.

§5A-8-3. Authority and duties of the state agency for surplus property.

1 (a) The state agency for surplus property is hereby authorized and empowered (1) to acquire from the United States of America such property, including equipment, materials, books or other supplies under the control of any department or agency of the United States of America as may be usable and necessary for educational purposes or public health purposes, including research; (2) to warehouse property acquired; and (3) to distribute the property to tax-supported medical institutions, hospitals, clinics, health centers, school systems, schools, colleges and universities within the state, and to other
nonprofit medical institutions, hospitals, clinics, health
centers, schools, colleges and universities within the
state which have been held exempt from taxation under
section 101 (6) of the United States Internal Revenue
Code.

(b) For the purpose of executing its authority under
this article, the state agency for surplus property is
authorized and empowered to adopt, amend or rescind
rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary, and
take other action necessary and suitable in the admin-
istration of this article, including the enactment and
promulgation of rules and regulations necessary to bring
this article and its administration into conformity with
any federal statutes or rules and regulations promul-
gated under federal statutes for the acquisition and dis-
position of surplus property.

(c) The state agency for surplus property is autho-
rized and empowered to appoint advisory boards or com-
mittees necessary to the end that this article and the
rules and regulations promulgated hereunder conform
with federal statutes and rules and regulations pro-
mulgated under federal statutes for the acquisition and
disposition of surplus property.

(d) The state agency for surplus property is au-
thorized and empowered to take action, make expendi-
tures and enter into contracts, agreements and under-
takings for and in the name of the state, require reports,
and make investigations as may be required by law or
regulation of the United States of America in connec-
tion with the receipt, warehousing and distribution of
property received by the state agency for surplus prop-
erty from the United States of America.

(e) The state agency for surplus property is au-
thorized and empowered to act as a clearinghouse of
information for the public and private nonprofit insti-
tutions and agencies referred to in subsection (a) of this
section, to locate property available for acquisition from
the United States of America, to ascertain the terms
and conditions under which the property may be ob-
tained, to receive requests from the above-mentioned
institutions and agencies and to transmit to them all
available information in reference to the property, and
to aid and assist the institutions and agencies in every
way possible in the consummation or acquisition of trans-
actions hereunder.

(f) The state agency for surplus property, in the ad-
ministration of this article, shall cooperate to the fullest
extent consistent with the provisions of this article, with
the departments or agencies of the United States of
America and shall make reports in the form and con-
taining the United States of America or
any of its departments or agencies may from time to time
require, and it shall comply with the laws of the United
States of America and the rules and regulations of any
of the departments or agencies of the United States of
America governing the allocation, transfer, use or ac-
counting for property donable or donated to the state.

§5A-8-4. Power of director to delegate authority; bonding
employees.

1 The commissioner of finance and administration, as
director of the state agency for surplus property, may
delegate to any employee of the agency such power and
authority as he deems reasonable and proper for the
effective administration of this article. The director of
the agency may, in his discretion, bond any person in
the employ of the state agency for surplus property,
handling moneys, signing checks or receiving or distrib-
uting property from the United States of America under
authority of this article.

§5A-8-5. Warehousing, transfer, etc., charges.

1 Any charges made or fees assessed by the state agency
for surplus property for the acquisition, warehousing,
distribution or transfer of any property acquired by
donation from the United States of America for edu-
cational purposes or public health purposes, including
research, shall be limited to those reasonably related
to the costs of care and handling in respect to its acquisi-
tion, receipts, warehousing, distribution or transfer by
the state agency for surplus property. All charges desig-
10 nated herein shall be used by the state agency for surplus
11 property to defray the general operating expenses of such
12 state agency for surplus property.

§5A-8-6. Department of agriculture and other agencies exempted from application of article.

1 Notwithstanding any provisions or limitations of this
2 article, the state department of agriculture and any other
3 state departments or agencies hereafter so designated
4 are authorized and empowered to distribute food, food
5 stamps, surplus commodities and agricultural products
6 under contracts and agreements with the federal gov-
7 ernment or any of its departments or agencies, and the
8 state department of agriculture and any other state
9 departments or agencies hereafter so designated are
10 authorized and empowered to adopt rules and regulations
11 in order to conform with federal requirements and stan-
12 dards for such distribution and also for the proper dis-
13 tribution of such food, food stamps, commodities and
14 agricultural products. To the extent set forth above and
15 in this section, the provisions of this article shall not
16 apply to the state department of agriculture and any
17 other state departments or agencies hereafter so desig-
18 nated for the purposes set forth in this section.

§5A-8-7. Severability.

1 If any provision of this article is declared unconstitu-
2 tional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction,
3 that decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining
4 provisions of this article or the article in its entirety,
5 and to that end the provisions of this article are severable.

CHAPTER 73
(House Bill No. 566—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to repeal sections eighteen through thirty-one, in-
clusive, article twelve; and to repeal article thirteen-a,
all of chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact sections one through seventeen, inclusive, article twelve of said chapter eleven, all relating to license for operation of stores, license taxes, and business franchise registration certificate tax.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections eighteen through thirty-one, inclusive, article twelve, and article thirteen-a, all of chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that sections one through seventeen, inclusive, article twelve of said chapter eleven, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 12. BUSINESS FRANCHISE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE TAX.

§11-12-1. Short title.
§11-12-2. Definitions.
§11-12-3. Business franchise registration tax levied.
§11-12-4. Application for business registration certificate; issuance of business certificate; effect of business registration certificate; municipal license taxes.
§11-12-5. Time for which registration certificate granted; power of tax commissioner to cancel certificate.
§11-12-6. Business certificate a personal privilege not assignable; change of name, location, ownership, etc.
§11-12-7. Display of registration certificate; injunctions; public information.
§11-12-8. Collection by distraint.
§11-12-9. Penalties.
§11-12-10. Collection of back taxes; notice of discontinuance of business.
§11-12-11. Collection by civil action; venue.
§11-12-12. Criminal liability for violation of article; jurisdiction.
§11-12-13. Assessment; jeopardy assessment.
§11-12-14. Hearing; appeal.
§11-12-15. Forms and regulations; enforcement.
§11-12-16. Disposition of money collected.
§11-12-17. Severability of provisions.

§11-12-1. Short title.

1 This article shall be cited as the “Business Franchise Registration Tax.”

§11-12-2. Definitions.

1 For the purposes of this article:
(a) "Business" shall mean any business, whether a person engaged expressly or impliedly holds himself out as engaged in business or supplying his products or a commodity or service to the public as a class or a limited portion of the public or sells any goods, wares, merchandise of any kind or provides a service of any kind: Provided, however, That "business" shall not include sales of products of the farm, garden, or dairy by the producer or grower thereof; occasional sales by societies acting for charitable, religious or benevolent purposes; judicial sales directed by law or court order; or any business the gross income of which is less than one thousand dollars per license year. "Gross income" shall mean the gross receipts of the business received as compensation for personal services and from trade, commerce, or sales and the value accruing from the sale of tangible property (real or personal), or service, or both, without any deduction on account of the cost of property sold, materials used, labor costs, taxes or any other expense whatsoever.

(b) "Business franchise registration certificate" shall mean a franchise or certificate authorizing a person to conduct business within the state of West Virginia and when referred to in this article as certificate or registration shall mean business franchise registration certificate.

(c) "Person" or "company" shall mean and include any individual, firm, copartnership, joint venture, association, corporation, trust and any other group or combination acting as a unit in the plural as well as the singular and when used in connection with the penalties imposed by section nine of this article, shall mean and include the officers, directors, trustees, or members of any firm, copartnership, joint venture, association, corporation, trust or any other groups acting as a unit.

(d) "Tax commissioner" shall mean the tax commissioner or his agent.

§11-12-3. Business franchise registration tax levied.

No person shall, without a business franchise registration certificate, engage in or prosecute, in the state of
West Virginia, any business activity without first obtaining a business certificate from the state of West Virginia.

The business franchise registration tax levied shall be fifteen dollars for each location a person holds himself out to engage in or transact business therefrom.

§11-12-4. Application for business registration certificate; issuance of business certificate; effect of business registration certificate; municipal license taxes.

Any person making and filing the proper application for a business registration certificate on forms to be prescribed and furnished by the tax commissioner on tendering the business registration certificate tax for each business certificate requested shall be provided a certificate if the tax commissioner determines to his satisfaction that all of the conditions precedent to the granting of such certificate have been fulfilled by the applicant before issuing the certificate of registration.

Nothing in this article, in any payment or issuance of any certificate under the provisions hereof, shall be deemed to legalize any act which otherwise may be in violation of law, or to exempt any person from any penalty prescribed from such violation.

When any municipality is authorized by its charter or by any law of this state to impose a license tax or related penalty for engaging in or prosecuting any business, activity, trade or employment within the limits of said municipality, pursuant to the ordinances of such municipality, no state business registration certificate issued under this article shall exonerate the registrant from any such municipal license tax or penalty, unless otherwise expressly provided. Notwithstanding the provisions of this article, any municipality may impose a license tax or penalty pursuant to the provisions of section four, article thirteen, chapter eight of this code up to but not in excess of the amount of the state license tax in effect on such business, activity, trade or employment on January one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, with like effect as if this article had not been enacted.
§11-12-5. Time for which registration certificate granted; power of tax commissioner to cancel certificate.

1 All annual certificates issued under the provisions of section four of this article shall be for a period of one year beginning the first day of July and ending the thirtieth day of the following June.

2 If a registrant shall at any time knowingly or wilfully file false data or information required by section four of this article, or shall wilfully refuse or neglect to file any tax report or to pay the tax or penalty, or any part thereof, required by chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, the tax commissioner may cancel his certificate. Before canceling any such certificate, the tax commissioner shall set a hearing as prescribed in this article, and notify the person by certified mail not less than twenty days prior to the hearing date to appear and show cause why such registration certificate should not be canceled.

§11-12-6. Business certificate a personal privilege not assignable; change of name, location, ownership, etc.

1 Every business certificate issued under the provisions of section four of this article shall confer a personal privilege only to transact the business, activity or trade, which may be the subject of the business certificate and shall not be exercised except by the persons holding the same and shall not be assignable to any other person.

2 Changes in the name of the person or change of location, or address, or changes in ownership of the business or changes in real parties of interest shall be considered a cessation of the business and a new certificate shall be required. Changes of partners or members of firms or officers of a corporation shall not require a new certificate to be issued.

§11-12-7. Display of registration certificate; injunctions; public information.

1 Any person to whom a certificate of registration shall be issued under the provisions of section four of this
article, shall keep such certificate posted in a conspicuous
position in the place where the privilege of such business
is exercised. Such certificate of registration shall be
produced for inspection whenever required by the tax
commissioner or by any law-enforcement officers of this
state, county or municipality wherein the privileges to
conduct business is exercised.

No injunction shall issue from any court in the state
enjoining the collection of any business registration cer-
tificate tax required herein; and any person claiming
that any business certificate is not due, for any reason,
shall pay the same under protest and petition the tax
commissioner for a refund in accordance with the pro-
visions of section two-a of article one of this chapter.

If any person engaging in or prosecuting any business,
or trade, contrary to any other provisions of this article,
whether without obtaining a business certificate therefor
before commencing the same, or by continuing the same
after the termination of the effective period of any such
business certificate, the circuit court or the judge thereof in
vacation, of the county in which such violation occurred,
shall, upon proper application in the name of the state,
and after ten days' written notice thereof to such person,
grant an injunction prohibiting such person from con-
suming such business, activity or trade until he has
fully complied with the provisions of this article. The
remedy provided in this section shall be in addition to
all other penalties and remedies provided by law.

The tax commissioner shall make available, when re-
quested, information as to whether a person is registered
to do business in the state of West Virginia.

§11-12-8. Collection by distraint.

The tax commissioner, or his agent, may distraint upon
any personal or real property, including intangibles, of
any person delinquent in the payment of taxes and
penalties accrued and unpaid under the provisions of
section three of this article, and may require the assist-
ance of the sheriff of any county in levying such distress
in the county in which such sheriff is an officer. The
sheriff so collecting taxes due hereunder shall be en-
9 titled to compensation in the amount of all penalties collected over and above the principal amount of tax due but in no case shall such compensation exceed twenty-five dollars. All taxes and penalties so collected, less the compensation above, shall be remitted within ten days after the collection to the tax commissioner. The tax commissioner shall prescribe by general regulation the manner of remittance of such funds and of allowing the collecting officer the compensation due him under this section. The sheriff shall be authorized to distrain immediately upon request, as aforesaid, for the amount which any person may have been assessed under the provisions of this article, and to sell upon ten days notice so much of said person's property, subject to such distress, as may be necessary to pay the tax so assessed, including penalties.

§11-12-9. Penalties.

Any person engaging in or prosecuting any business contrary to the provisions of this article, whether without obtaining a business registration certificate therefor before commencing the same, or by continuing the same after the termination of the effective period of any such certificate may, in addition to paying the business registration tax, be liable for a penalty of fifty dollars for each month or fraction thereof during which he has been in default of the business registration tax. It shall be the duty of the tax commissioner to collect the full amount of the business registration tax and penalty imposed.

§11-12-10. Collection of back taxes; notice of discontinuance of business.

Any person engaging in or prosecuting any business contrary to provisions of this article, whether without obtaining a certificate therefor before commencing the same, or by continuing the same after the termination of the effective period of such certificate, shall, in addition to all other penalties provided in this article, be liable for the payment of all back taxes and penalties for a period not exceeding five years.

Whenever any person ceases to engage in business within this state by reason of the discontinuance, sale or
transfer or by any other means of disposition of the busi-
ness, it shall be his duty to notify the tax commissioner
in writing of the discontinuance, sale or transfer or other
disposition of the business, the date thereof and the name
and address of the seller or transferor and purchaser or
transferee thereof.

Unless the notice shall have been given to the tax com-
missioner as above provided, such seller or transferor
and purchaser or transferee shall be jointly liable to the
state of West Virginia for the amount of all taxes and
penalties under the provisions of sections three and nine
of this article.

§11-12-11. Collection by civil action; venue.

The tax commissioner may collect any business regis-
tration certificate tax and penalties unpaid under the
provisions of sections three and nine of this article by
civil action or other appropriate legal or equitable proce-
dure; venue shall be in any court of limited or general
jurisdiction in the county in which the person engaging
in business resides or any county in which the business
subject to this article was doing business.

§11-12-12. Criminal liability for violation of article; jurisdic-
tion.

Except as may herein be expressly provided, any person
violating any provisions under this article shall be guilty
of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be
fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hun-
dred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more
than three months, or both fined and imprisoned and
each day or part thereof that any violation shall con-
tinue shall be deemed to constitute a distinct and separate
offense and be punishable accordingly. Justices of the
peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with any other
court having jurisdiction for the trial of all misde-
meanors arising under this section.

§11-12-13. Assessment; jeopardy assessment.

Whenever the tax commissioner shall determine that
any tax due under section three of this article has not
been paid in full, the tax commissioner shall make an
assessment, from any available information, against the
taxpayer of such deficiency in tax, addition to tax, in-
terest or penalties as he may find to be due, and shall
serve the taxpayer with written notice of such assessment,
either in person or by certified mail. For purposes of
this article such written notice is termed as "notice of
assessment".

If the tax commissioner believes that the assessment
or collection of a deficiency, or the collection of any tax
due under section three of this article, will be jeopar-
dized by delay, he shall immediately make an assess-
ment of such deficiency for such tax due (together with
all additional amounts, interest or penalties provided for
by section nine of this article), noting that fact upon
the assessment. The amount so assessed shall be im-
mediately due and payable, and a notice of assessment
and demand for the payment thereof shall be served
upon the taxpayer. If the taxpayer against whom a
jeopardy assessment is made desires to immediately make
a petition for reassessment his petition shall be accom-
panied by such security as the tax commissioner may
decem necessary to insure compliance with this article.
If such petition for reassessment is filed, accompanied
by the necessary security, the provisions for hearing,
determination and appeal set forth in this article shall
then be applicable.

The tax commissioner may abate in whole or in part
any assessment which he shall determine to be erroneous.

§11-12-14. Hearing; appeal.

Any person against whom an order or decision of
the tax commissioner, or his representative, has been ad-
versely affected relating to the granting or the canceling
of the certificate, or any other matter wherein the find-
ings are in the discretion of the tax commissioner, may
appeal from such determination by requesting a hearing
before the tax commissioner, or his examiner, if such
request is made within thirty days from receipt of such
order or decision.
The tax commissioner shall issue a ruling within a reasonable time from date of the hearing.

An appeal may be taken by the taxpayer to the circuit court of the county of his residence, or in the circuit court of Kanawha county, within thirty days after he shall have received notice from the tax commissioner of his determination as provided hereinbefore, in this section.

§11-12-15. Forms and regulations; enforcement.

The tax commissioner is hereby invested with full power and authority and it is hereby made his duty to prescribe forms for applications, for business registration certificates, and certificates and assessments and to make, issue and put in force all necessary and needful rules and regulations for ascertaining, assessing and collecting the taxes imposed by section three of this article and the enforcement under the provisions thereof.

Any employee of the state tax department so designated by the tax commissioner, shall have all the lawful powers delegated to members of the department of public safety to enforce the provisions of this article in any county or city of this state, and such employee shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, execute a bond with security in the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars, payable to the state of West Virginia, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such, and such bond shall be approved as to form by the attorney general, and as to sufficiency by the board of public works, and the same shall be filed with the secretary of state and preserved in his office.

§11-12-16. Disposition of money collected.

All money collected under the provisions of sections three and nine of this article shall be paid into the state treasury, monthly, by the state tax commissioner, and shall be added to and shall constitute a part of the general fund for the elementary schools.

§11-12-17. Severability of provisions.

The provisions of this article are severable and if any shall be held unconstitutional, the decision of the court
CHAPTER 74

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 676—Originating in the House Committee on Finance)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections three and twenty-a, article fourteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the gasoline excise tax, the amount thereof, the measure of lien for such tax, notice of discontinuance of business, and partial refund of such taxes when used by certain bus lines.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three and twenty-a, article fourteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 14. GASOLINE TAX.

§11-14-3. Amount, measure and lien of tax; notice of discontinuance of business.
§11-14-20a. Partial refund of tax on gasoline used by buses.

§11-14-3. Amount, measure and lien of tax; notice of discontinuance of business.

There is hereby imposed upon every person who is a distributor, retail dealer or importer under the terms of this article, an excise tax based on the quantities of all gasoline produced, purchased, sold or used in this state, which tax shall be equivalent to eight and one-half cents per gallon on all gasoline. The tax shall be paid as hereinafter provided.
A distributor shall use as the measure of the tax the gallonage produced, purchased, sold or used in this state, as provided in section four of this article. Gallonage shall be included in the measure of the tax by refiners and producers when such gallonage has been placed into any tank from which withdrawals are made for sales or transfer to any other person.

An importer shall use as the measure of the tax the gallonage purchased and received for whatever use, as provided in section six of this article.

A retail dealer shall use as the measure of the tax the gallonage purchased or obtained by him, as provided in section five of this article.

The excise tax imposed by this article shall be paid by the person first producing, or receiving in this state, the gallonage of gasoline which under this article shall form the measure of such tax; but in no case shall any such gallonage be used more than once in determining taxes due hereunder.

The taxes imposed by this article are in addition to all other taxes now imposed by law.

The excise tax imposed by this article shall accrue from the date of production, purchase, sale or use of the gasoline. The penalties imposed by section thirteen of this article shall accrue from the date they become due and payable. A tax due and unpaid under this article shall be a debt due the state of West Virginia. It shall be a personal obligation of the taxpayer and shall be a lien in favor of the state of West Virginia upon all property and rights to property, whether real or personal, belonging to such taxpayer. The lien shall arise when a taxpayer fails to file his return and remit the tax at the time required by this article. Such lien shall not be valid or enforceable against a purchaser, including lien creditor, of real estate or personal property for a valuable consideration without notice, unless docketed in the office of the clerk of the county court as provided in sections one and two, article ten-c, chapter thirty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended and reenacted by chapter ninety-
Whenever a distributor, importer or retail dealer ceases to engage in business within this state by reason of the discontinuance, sale or transfer of the business of such distributor, importer or retail dealer, it shall be his duty to notify the tax commissioner in writing at the time of the discontinuance, sale or transfer. Such notice shall give the date of discontinuance, and in the event of the sale or transfer of the business, the date thereof and the name and address of the purchaser or transferee thereof; all taxes accruing under this article, but not yet due and payable under the provisions of this article, shall, notwithstanding such provisions, become due and payable concurrently with such discontinuance, sale or transfer, and it shall be the duty of such distributor, importer or retail dealer to make a report and pay all such taxes, and to surrender to the tax commissioner the license certificate theretofore issued, under the provisions of this article.

Unless the notice shall have been given to the tax commissioner as above provided, such purchaser or transferee shall be liable to the state of West Virginia, for the amount of all taxes and penalties, under the article accrued against such distributor, importer or retail dealer so selling or transferring his business, on the date of such sale or transfer, but only to the extent of the value of the property and business thereby acquired from such distributor, importer or retail dealer.

Any unexpended and unobligated revenue derived from the one cent tax per gallon on gasoline imposed or levied by chapter one hundred sixty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-nine, to match federal funds allocated for the interstate road system in West Virginia, shall be used only for the purposes set out in section twenty-two of this article.

§11-14-20a. Partial refund of tax on gasoline used by buses.

Any person who shall buy in quantities of twenty-five gallons or more, at any one time, gasoline as defined by
this article, for use in any vehicle or vehicles regularly
operated by such person under a certificate of public
convenience and necessity or under a contract carrier
permit for transportation of persons, may, if the gasoline
tax imposed by this article shall have previously been
paid upon such gasoline, be refunded an amount equal
to four and one-half cents per gallon for each gallon of
gasoline upon which tax has been paid, upon presenting
to the tax commissioner an affidavit accompanied by
proof of such purchases as required in section twenty and
in the manner and subject to the requirements as therein
set forth. The right to a refund under this section shall
not be assignable, and any assignment so made shall be
void.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no refund
shall be made under authority of this section except on
gasoline and motor fuel used in the operation of urban
or suburban bus lines in this state, which are hereby de-
dined as bus lines the majority of whose passengers use
the buses for traveling a distance of not exceeding forty
miles, measured one way, on the same day between their
places of abode and their places of work, shopping areas
or schools.

CHAPTER 75

(House Bill No. 563—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 6, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact article seventeen, chapter
eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to cigarette taxes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article seventeen, chapter eleven of the code of West
Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended,
be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
ARTICLE 17. CIGARETTE TAX ACT.

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§11-17-1. Short title.

1 This article shall be known, and may be cited, as the 2 "Cigarette Tax Act."

§11-17-2. Definitions.

1 When used in this article the following words, terms 2 and phrases and any variations thereof required by the 3 context, shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this 4 article, except where the context indicates a different 5 meaning:

6 (1) "Cigarette" means:

7 (a) Any roll for smoking made wholly or in part 8 of tobacco, irrespective of size or shape and whether or 9 not such tobacco is flavored, adulterated or mixed with 10 any ingredient, the wrapping or cover of which is made 11 of paper or any substance or material, except tobacco.
(b) Any roll of tobacco wrapped in any substance containing tobacco which, because of its appearance, the type of tobacco used in the filler, or its packing and labeling, is likely to be offered to, or purchased by, consumers as a cigarette described in paragraph (a).

(2) "Commissioner" means the state tax commissioner and where the meaning of the context requires, all deputies or agents and employees duly authorized by him.

(3) "Consumer" means a person who receives or in any way comes into possession of cigarettes for the purpose of consuming or giving them away or disposing of them in any way other than by sale, barter or exchange.

(4) "Sale" means selling, exchange, transfer of title, barter, gift, offer for sale or distribution or disposition of.

(5) "Sale at retail" or "retail sale" means a sale to a consumer or to any person for any purpose other than resale.

(6) "Sale by wholesaler" shall mean and include any bona fide transfer of title to cigarettes by a wholesaler for a valuable consideration, made in the ordinary course of trade or in the usual conduct of the wholesaler's business.

(7) "Stamp" or "meter impression" shall mean any cigarette stamp or any meter or ink impression authorized by the tax commissioner to serve as such stamp, and shall be of the design and color as prescribed by the tax commissioner.

(8) "Stamped cigarettes" means that the stamp or meter impression as required by this article has been affixed to the bottom of the package of cigarettes.

(9) "Subjobber" or "subjobber dealer" shall include any person who purchases stamped cigarettes from any other person who purchases from the manufacturer when such other person is located in any state which levies an excise tax on cigarettes and who purchases such cigarettes solely for the purpose of bona fide resale to retail dealers.

(10) "Package" means the individual package, box or
other container in or from which retail sales of cigarettes are normally made or intended to be made.

(11) "Person" shall mean and include any individual, firm, association, company, partnership, corporation, joint-stock company, club, agency, syndicate, municipal corporation or other political subdivision of this state, trust, receiver, trustee, fiduciary or conservator, and when used in connection with any penalties imposed by this article, shall mean and include officers, directors, trustees or members of any firm, copartnership, association, corporation, trust or any other unit acting as a group.

(12) "Retail dealer" includes every person in this state, other than a wholesaler or subjobber, engaged in the selling of cigarettes at retail to a consumer or to any person for any purpose other than resale.

(13) "Unstamped cigarettes" means that the stamp or impression as required by this article has not been affixed to the bottom of the package of cigarettes.

(14) "Vending machine operator" is any person operating one or more cigarette vending machines. The sale of cigarettes through a vending machine will be construed as sales at retail and will subject the vending machine operator to the cigarette tax law and rules and regulations pertaining to retail dealers.

Whenever any cigarette vending machine operator purchases cigarettes directly from the manufacturer such person or operator shall be deemed to be a wholesaler and shall be liable for the excise tax and the affixing of the required stamps.

(15) "Wholesaler" or "wholesale dealer" shall include any person who purchases unstamped cigarettes directly from the manufacturer.

§11-17-3. Levy of tax; ratio.

1 For the purpose of providing revenues for the general revenue fund of the state an excise tax is hereby levied and imposed on sales of cigarettes at the rate of four cents on each ten cigarettes or fractional part thereof. Only one sale of the same article shall be used in computing the amount of tax due hereunder.
§11-17-4. Additional cigarette tax for support of schools.

1 For the purpose of providing additional revenue for the support of free schools, there is hereby levied and imposed, in addition to the tax imposed hereinbefore in this article, an additional excise tax of two cents on each ten cigarettes, or fractional part thereof, sold within this state. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all provisions of this article relating to the levy, imposition and collection of the regular excise tax on the sale of cigarettes shall be applicable to the levy, imposition and collection of such additional tax. Notwithstanding other provisions of this article to the contrary, all moneys received from the additional tax imposed by this section, less deductions allowed by this article for refunds and for costs of administration and operation, shall be paid by the tax commissioner into the general school fund, to be used solely for the support of free schools.

§11-17-4a. No cigarette tax by municipalities or other governmental subdivisions.

1 No municipality or governmental subdivision shall levy any excise or other tax requiring cigarettes to be stamped, or requiring licenses for sale thereof, other than licenses which may be imposed as a result of licenses provided for in article twelve of this chapter.

§11-17-5. How tax paid; stamps; how affixed; violations.

1 The tax hereby imposed shall be paid by the purchase of stamps as provided in this article. Payment for stamps purchased from the commissioner shall be made by cash, money order, bank draft, certified check or by non-certified check. However, in the event a noncertified check is returned unpaid by its bank, then it shall be considered that payment has not been made for the taxes due.

9 A stamp as required by this article, as described in the cigarette tax rules and regulations, shall be affixed to, or impressed upon each package of cigarettes of an aggregate value of not less than the amount of tax upon the contents thereof. The stamp or impression, so affixed,
shall be prima facie evidence of payment of the tax imposed by this article. Stamps or meter impressions shall be purchased from the commissioner or his deputy, by, and paid for, by wholesalers.

Except as may be otherwise provided in the rules and regulations prescribed by the commissioner, under authority of this article, and unless such stamps have been previously affixed, they shall be so affixed by each wholesale dealer who must be authorized to do business in this state prior to the sale or delivery of any cigarettes to any retail dealer or subjobber in this state.

Whenever any cigarettes are found in the place of business of any retail dealer or subjobber without the stamps so affixed, the prima facie presumption shall arise that such cigarettes are kept therein in violation of the provisions of this article.

The tax commissioner, if he shall determine that it is practicable to stamp packages of cigarettes by impression by means of a metering device, shall provide that such metering device and its impression may be used in lieu of the stamps otherwise required by law. The tax commissioner may authorize any wholesaler purchasing unstamped cigarettes, and holding the business registration certificate or license as required by chapter eleven, article twelve of this code, to use any metering device approved by the commissioner, such devices to be sealed by the commissioner or a deputy, or agent, authorized by the commissioner, before being used, which device shall be used only in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the commissioner.

A wholesaler may elect to pay the tax in advance where a metering device is used, in which event such wholesaler shall deliver the metering device to the commissioner, or his agent authorized for that purpose, who shall seal the meter in accordance with the prepayment so made.

§11-17-6. Sales of stamps by deputies; fees; reports of deputies.

The tax commissioner may appoint, subject to such conditions as he shall deem to be the best interest of
§11-17-7. Form of stamps; custody; discounts; security for payments.

The commissioner shall design and procure stamps to be used as herein provided for, affixed and attached to containers, packages or receptacle of whatever kind that may be used for containing cigarettes. In the preparing of said stamp or stamps the same shall have printed or impressed thereon the words "State of West Virginia—Cigarette Tax Stamp" and such other words and figures as the commissioner may deem proper. He shall also prescribe the form of impression to be placed upon any package or container of cigarettes by any metering de-
The tax commissioner shall collect the taxes provided for by this article.

Such stamps shall be kept in the custody of the tax commissioner or such deputies as he may designate to sell the same. Such stamps shall be sold and accounted for at the tax value thereof except that the tax commissioner may authorize sale thereof, or sell to wholesalers in this state, or to wholesalers outside of this state such stamps at a discount of four percent of the tax value of such stamps, the same to be allowed as a commission for affixing the stamps and prepaying the cigarette tax; and excepting further that the tax commissioner may, by like regulation so certified, authorize the delivery of stamps, to wholesalers in this state, or to wholesalers outside of this state, on credit, allowing the same discount as when sold for cash, if and when the purchaser shall file with the tax commissioner a bond made payable to the state of West Virginia, in such form and amount as the commissioner shall prescribe, and with surety or sureties to the satisfaction of the commissioner, conditioned as he may require, to guarantee payment within thirty days for stamps so delivered within such period of time and by making of such reports and settlement as the commissioner may require. The commissioner may, by further regulations, provide for canceling, renewing or increasing such bond or for the substitution of the surety thereon.

For the purposes of this article “tax value” shall mean the tax value of each stamp or meter impression, as imposed by this article.


Whenever any person ceases by reason of the discontinuance, sale or transfer of his business at any location, he shall notify the tax commissioner in writing at the time the discontinuance, sale or transfer takes effect. The notice shall give the date of discontinuance, and in the event of a sale or transfer of the business, the date of such sale or transfer and the name and address of the seller or transferor and the purchaser or transferee. All taxes, penalties not yet due and payable under this
article shall, notwithstanding such provision(s), become
due and payable concurrently with the discontinuance,
sale or transfer and said person shall make the report
prescribed by this article and pay all taxes and penalties
imposed by this article.

The successor in business of any such person shall
withhold so much of the purchase money as will satisfy
the tax, interest, additions to tax and penalties which
may be due until the former owner shall produce a
receipt from the tax commissioner evidencing the pay-
ment thereof. If the purchaser of a business or stock
of goods shall fail to withhold purchase money as above
provided, and such tax, interest, additions to tax and
penalties remain unpaid after expiration of the thirty-
day period allowed for payment thereof, the seller or
purchaser shall be jointly and personally liable for the
payment of all such tax, interest, additions to tax and
penalties, and the same shall be recoverable by the tax
commissioner by whatever appropriate legal action to
prosecute said person as provided in this article.


1 A discount of four percent will be allowed on all tax
due for persons affixing stamps, collecting and paying
of tax as required and prescribed by this article.

§11-17-10. Refunds.

1 The commissioner shall redeem any unused or muti-
lated, but identifiable, stamps, that any wholesaler or
retail dealer may present for redemption, on written
verified requests made by the purchaser, his adminis-
trators, executors, successors, or assigns, and refund
therefor, ninety-five percent of the face value of said
stamps, less any discounts allowed on the purchase of
said stamps. The commissioner shall pay on a like basis
for stamps destroyed by fire or flood upon presentation
of proof of such loss satisfactory to him. Such payments
shall for the purposes hereof be deemed to be refunds of
taxes improperly collected and shall be allowed and paid
from funds collected. Stamps or meter impressions on
cigarettes returned to the manufacturers will be subject
to refund upon the filing of an affidavit in duplicate
issued by the manufacturer evidencing the destruction of
stamps or meter impressions, the tax commissioner may
by regulation prescribe procedures for refund.

§11-17-11. Surety bonds required; release of surety; new bond.

The tax commissioner may require wholesalers, sub-
jobbers or retail dealers to file continuous surety bond
in an amount to be fixed by the tax commissioner except
that the amount shall not be less than one thousand
dollars. Upon completion of the filing of a surety bond
an annual notice of renewal, only, shall be required
thereafter. The surety must be authorized to engage in
business within this state. The bond shall be conditioned
upon faithfully complying with the provisions of this
article including the filing of the returns and payment
of all taxes prescribed by this article.

Any surety on a bond furnished hereunder shall be
released and discharged from all liability accruing on
such bond after the expiration of sixty days from the
date the surety shall have lodged, by certified mail, with
the tax commissioner a written request to be discharged.
This shall not relieve, release or discharge the surety
from liability already accrued, or which shall accrue be-
fore the expiration of the sixty-day period. Whenever
any surety shall seek release as herein provided, it shall
be the duty of the person to supply the tax commissioner
with another bond.

§11-17-12. Reports required; due date; records to be kept; in-
spection of records; examination of witnesses;
summons, etc.

On or before the fifteenth day of each month common
carriers, wholesalers, subjobbers, retail dealers, and
agents, or vending machine operators shall, when re-
quired by this article, or the tax commissioner, file a
report covering the business transacted in the previous
month covering such information as the commissioner
may deem necessary for the ascertainment or assessment
of the tax imposed by this article; and shall be signed
under penalty of perjury on such forms as the tax com-
missioner may prescribe and shall at this time remit any taxes owed or due, if any.

The reports imposed by this section shall be deemed as having been timely filed for the purpose of avoiding penalties only if the postmark date thereon is clearly within the said due date of the calendar month, or is received within such period. If the due date falls on a Saturday or Sunday, or a day which is a legal holiday in the state of West Virginia, filing will be considered timely if it is done on the next succeeding secular day which is not a legal holiday.

The reports prescribed herein are required although a tax might not be due, or no business transacted, for the period covered by the report.

Each person required to file a report under this article shall make and keep such records as shall be prescribed by the tax commissioner that are necessary to substantiate the returns required by this article including but not limited to, inventories, receipts, disbursements and sales, for a period of time not less than five years.

Unless otherwise permitted, in writing, by authority of the tax commissioner, each delivery ticket or invoice for each purchase or sale of cigarettes must be recorded upon a serially numbered invoice showing the name and address of the seller and the purchasers, point of delivery, the date, quantity, price of product, and the tax must be set out separate or the invoice must indicate whether or not the West Virginia cigarette excise tax is included in the total price and such other reasonable information as the tax commissioner may require. However, these invoicing requirements do not apply to cash sales, and a person making such sales must maintain such records as may be reasonably necessary to substantiate his return.

The tax commissioner or his deputy or agent authorized by him may inspect or examine the records, books, papers, and any equipment or records of any manufacturer, wholesaler, subjobber, retail dealer, common carrier, or any other person pertaining to the quantity of cigarettes acquired or disbursed to verify the truth and accuracy of
any statement or report to ascertain whether the tax imposed by this article has been properly paid.

As a further means of obtaining the records, books and papers of a manufacturer, common carrier, wholesaler, subjobber, or retailer or any other person and ascertaining the amount of taxes and reports due under this article the commissioner and his duly appointed agent shall have the power to examine witnesses under oath; and if the witness shall fail or refuse at the request of the tax commissioner or his duly appointed agent to grant access to the books, records, or papers, the tax commissioner or such agent shall certify the facts and names to the circuit court of the county having jurisdiction of the party and such court shall thereupon issue summons to such party to appear before the tax commissioner or his agent, at a place designated within the jurisdiction of such court, on a day fixed, to be continued as the occasion may require for good cause shown and give such evidence and lay open for inspection such books and papers as may be required for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of tax and reports due, if any.


(1) Except when required in an official investigation, administrative tax hearing or proceedings in court involving taxes payable under this article, and except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, it shall be unlawful for any officer or employee of the state to divulge or make known in any manner the amount of tax on cigarettes or any particulars set forth or disclosed in any report, return, or statement required to be filed with the tax commissioner by this article or any regulation of the tax commissioner issued hereunder and any person who shall divulge such other information shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars for each offense, or shall forfeit his office or appointment held or both.

(2) The tax commissioner, or his representative, may upon request permit the proper officer of the United States
or any state, territory or political subdivision of the United States, to inspect reports, returns or statements filed with the tax commissioner or may furnish to such officer or representative a copy of any such document provided such other jurisdiction grants substantially similar privileges to the tax commissioner of this state. Subsection (1) of this section shall not be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics so classified as to prevent the identification of particular reports and the items therein.

(3) Any taxpayer under this article may, in writing, waive the secrecy rules provided in subsection (1) of this section for such purpose and such period as he shall therein state, and the tax commissioner, if he so determines may thereupon release to designated recipient said taxpayer's tax, quantity of cigarettes or other particulars filed under this article.

§11-17-14. Assessment of tax; assessments as evidence; petition for reassessment; jeopardy assessment; distraint. Whenever any person pursuant to the requirements of this article shall neglect or refuse to make or file any report or pay the taxes or penalties in the time required by this article or related regulations or shall file an incorrect or fraudulent report, the tax commissioner may estimate, from any information obtainable, the number of cigarettes manufactured, purchased, received, sold or used with respect to which the person has incurred liability under this article, the tax commissioner may give a notice of assessment in person or by certified mail, and, in any action or proceeding for the collection of the tax or any penalties imposed by this article, an assessment by the tax commissioner shall constitute prima facie evidence of the claim of the state and the burden of proof shall be upon the person assessed to show that the assessment was incorrect and contrary to law.

If a taxpayer against whom an assessment has been made desires to object to the assessment and obtain a hearing as provided by section sixteen of this article he shall file within thirty days from date of service of the assessment with the commissioner, either personally or by certified mail a petition for reassessment.
A petition for reassessment filed by certified mail will be deemed to have complied with the foregoing requirements if the postmark date thereon is clearly within said thirty days, or is received within such period. If the thirtieth day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, or a day which is a legal holiday in the state of West Virginia, filing will be considered timely if it is done on the next succeeding secular day which is not a legal holiday.

The petition for reassessment shall be in writing with an original and one copy. It shall be complete in itself so as to fully state the issues. The tax commissioner may by regulations adopt procedures and forms relating to petitions. No telegrams, telephone calls or similar communication will be recognized as a petition.

Failure to file a petition for reassessment within thirty days after receipt of the assessment shall result in the assessment becoming due and payable and not subject to judicial review.

In the case of jeopardy assessments, wherein the tax commissioner believes that the collection of the tax will be jeopardized by delay the amount assessed shall be immediately due and payable and a bond with corporate surety thereon in an amount to be fixed by the tax commissioner, conditioned upon the payment of all taxes, penalties and costs legally due, shall accompany the petition for reassessment.

The commissioner may abate in whole or in part any assessment issued under this article.

If the statement of tax or notice of assessment mentioned hereinbefore in this section is not paid and no petition for reassessment is filed as hereinbefore prescribed in this section then it shall be lawful for:

(1) The tax commissioner, or his duly appointed agent to collect such tax and penalty by distraint and sale of goods, chattels or effects, including stocks, securities and evidence of debt, of the taxpayer liable for the payment of such tax and penalty.

(2) If goods, chattels or effects sufficient to pay such tax and penalty due from such person are not found by the tax commissioner, or his duly appointed agent, the
tax commissioner is authorized to collect such tax and penalty stated hereinbefore by seizure and sale of real estate. Further, the tax commissioner shall cause appropriate action for the recovery of such tax and/or penalty, or to enforce the lien of the state of West Virginia for tax upon any real estate, to be brought in the name of the state, and it shall be the duty of the attorney general of this state or the prosecuting attorney of any county to take whatever appropriate legal action to prosecute said person, at the request of the tax commissioner, and judgment shall be rendered for the amount found to be due, together with cost, and the amount collected shall be paid into the state treasury, as provided by this article.

§11-17-15. Injunction.

If any taxpayer or person fails to comply with any of the provisions of this article for a period of more than thirty days the tax commissioner may institute a proceeding to secure an injunction to restrain the taxpayer or person from doing business in this state until said person fully complies with the provisions of this article.

§11-17-16. Hearing; appeals.

Any person against whom an order or decision of the tax commissioner, or his representative has been adversely affected relating to the filing of returns, assessment of taxes, granting of refunds, any other matter wherein the findings are in the discretion of the tax commissioner, may appeal from such determination by requesting a hearing before the tax commissioner, or his examiner, if such request is made within thirty days from receipt of such order or decision.

The tax commissioner may designate an examiner to conduct a hearing, and when the term "commissioner" is used in this section relating to the conduct of the hearing it shall likewise mean "examiner."

The tax commissioner may by regulation prescribe the procedure for hearings.

The commissioner shall notify the petitioner, his counsel or representative, by certified mail, of the time and
place of the hearing but not less than twenty days prior
to the hearing. The hearing shall be held in Charleston,
West Virginia unless the commissioner determines other-
wise, and such hearing shall be informal unless other-
wise stipulated in writing by either party.

The tax commissioner shall issue a ruling by certi-
fied mail within a reasonable time from the date of the
hearing.

An appeal may be taken by the taxpayer if the appeal
is filed with the circuit court of the county in which
the activity taxed was engaged, or in the circuit court
of Kanawha county, within thirty days after he shall
have received notice from the tax commissioner of his
determination as provided in this section.

The appeal shall be taken by written notice to the
tax commissioner and served as an original notice. When
said notice is so served it shall, with the return thereon,
be filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court
and docketed as other cases with the taxpayer as plain-
tiff and the tax commissioner as defendant.

The court shall hear the appeal and determine anew
all questions submitted to it on appeal from the deter-
mination of the tax commissioner. In such an appeal
a certified copy of the tax commissioner's assessment
shall be admissible and shall constitute prima facie
evidence of the tax due under the provisions of this
article. The court shall render its decree thereon and
a certified copy of said decree shall be filed by the clerk
of said court with the tax commissioner who shall then
if necessary, correct the assessment in accordance with
said decree. An appeal may be taken by the taxpayer
or the tax commissioner to the supreme court of appeals
of this state.

§11-17-17. Forms, rules and regulations; enforcement powers.

The tax commissioner is hereby invested with full
power and authority and it is hereby made his duty
to prescribe the necessary forms and to promulgate
necessary and needful rules and regulations to ascer-
tain, assess and collect the taxes imposed by this article and to enforce the provisions thereof.

Any employee or agent of the tax commissioner, so designated by the tax commissioner, shall have all the lawful powers delegated to members of the department of public safety to enforce the provisions of this article, in any county, or municipality in this state.

The state department of public safety is hereby authorized and may be requested to assist in the enforcement of the provisions of this article as directed by the tax commissioner, or his agents.

Such employee shall execute a bond with security in the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars, payable to the state of West Virginia conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, as such, and such bond shall be approved as to form by the attorney general, and the same shall be filed with the secretary of state and preserved in his office.

§11-17-18. Amounts allowed for administration.

The state tax commissioner, in the administration and enforcement of this article, shall be allowed to expend out of the taxes collected thereunder, or proceeds of sales of stamps, a sum of not to exceed one and one-half percent of the tax collected or stamps sold.

§11-17-19. Penalties; crimes.

(1) If any person:

(a) Fails to pay the taxes imposed by this article when due, said taxes shall bear interest at the legal rate of interest per annum for each month or fraction thereof from the due date of the tax or return, each assessment made by the tax commissioner shall bear interest for failure to timely pay the taxes imposed by this article, or

(b) Fails to make or file a return or whenever the full amount of the tax on any portion or deficiency thereof has not been paid in the time required by this article, unless it be shown that such failure was due to reasonable cause and not due to wilful neglect, there
may be added to the tax a penalty of five percent per month if a failure is not for more than one month, with an additional five percent for each additional month or fraction thereof during which failure shall continue, not to exceed twenty-five percent in the aggregate. If no tax is due, the penalty will be twenty-five dollars per month or fraction thereof for failure to file a tax return: Provided, That in all cases of delinquency in the payment of taxes due, interest shall be assessed.

(2) If any person:

(a) Files a false or fraudulent return with intent to evade the tax imposed by this article, or in the case of a wilful failure to file a return with intent to evade the tax, or file a false claim for credit or refund there shall be added to the tax due an amount equal to one hundred percent of the tax due. The burden of proving fraud, wilfulness, or intent to evade tax shall be upon the tax commissioner.

(3) If any person:

(a) Makes any false entry upon an invoice, package or container of cigarettes required to be made under the provisions of this article, or with intent to evade the tax imposed by this article, presents any such false entry for the inspection of the commissioner, or

(b) Prevents or hinders the commissioner or his deputy from making a full inspection of any place where cigarettes subject to the tax imposed by this state are sold or stored, or prevents or hinders the full inspection of invoices, books, records, or papers required to be kept under the provisions of this article, or

(c) Sells cigarettes in this state without there having been first affixed to each individual package thereof the stamp or stamps required to be affixed thereto by this article, or

(d) Being a retail dealer in this state, has in his possession packages of cigarettes not bearing the stamps herein required to be affixed thereto or, whoever fails to produce on demand by the commissioner invoices of all cigarettes purchased or received by him within
two years prior to such demand, unless upon satisfactory proof it is shown that such nonproduction is due to providential or other causes beyond his control, or

(e) Whenever any cigarettes are found in the place of business of any retail dealer or subjobber without the stamps so affixed, the prima facie presumption shall arise that such cigarettes are kept therein in violation of the provisions of this article, or

(f) If any wholesale dealer shall sell cigarettes to any person in this state other than to another wholesaler, subjobber, or retail dealer and no person in this state other than a wholesaler, or subjobber, shall sell cigarettes to a retail dealer. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this article for any retail cigarette dealer to purchase or acquire cigarettes from any person other than a wholesaler or subjobber. The original wholesaler who purchases unstamped cigarettes from the manufacturer is liable for the excise tax and the affixing of the required stamps, or

(g) If a person, firm or corporation, who is not a wholesaler, subjobber or retail dealer in tobacco products, as provided by this article, shall have in his possession within the state more than ten packages of cigarettes not bearing cigarette tax paid indicia of this state, such possession shall be presumed to be for the purpose of evading the payment of the taxes due thereon, or

(h) Whoever violates any of the provisions of subdivision (a), subsection (2), through subdivision (g), subsection (3), of this section, or any lawful rule or regulation promulgated by the commissioner under authority of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

(4) Whoever falsely or fraudulently makes, forges, alters or counterfeits any stamp prescribed, or defined, by the provisions of this article, or its related rules and regulations, and any person who knowingly and wilfully
makes, causes to be made, purchases, receives or has in his possession, any device for forging or counterfeiting any stamp or has in his possession, any stamps not properly issued by the commissioner or his agent or deputy, or uses more than once any stamp provided for and required by this article for the purpose of evading the tax hereby imposed, shall be guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than five thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars and imprisoned in the penitentiary for a term of not less than one year nor more than five years.

(5) Whenever the commissioner or any of his deputies or employees authorized by him for the purpose shall discover any cigarettes subject to tax as provided by this section and upon which the tax has not been paid as herein required, the commissioner, or such deputy or employee is hereby authorized and empowered forthwith to seize and take possession of such cigarettes, without a warrant, which shall thereafter be deemed to be contraband, forfeited to the state and the commissioner shall within a reasonable time thereafter sell such forfeited cigarettes: Provided, however, That such seizure and sale shall not be deemed to relieve any person from fine or imprisonment as provided herein for violation of any provisions of this article. Such sale may be made in any county the tax commissioner deems most convenient and economical. Notice of such sale shall be published as a Class I legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publication area for such publication shall be the county wherein such seizure was made and the county wherein the sale is to take place. Notice shall be published at least five days prior to the sale. All taxes and penalties collected under the provisions of this section shall be paid into the state treasury and treated as other taxes collected under this article.

(6) Justices of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with any other courts having jurisdiction for the trial of all misdemeanors arising under this article.
§11-17-20. Transportation of unstamped cigarettes; unstamped cigarettes in vending machines; forfeitures and sales of cigarettes and equipment.

Every person who shall transport cigarettes not stamped as required by this article upon the public highways, waterways, roads or streets of this state shall have in his actual possession invoices or delivery tickets for such cigarettes which shall show the true name and complete and exact address of the consignor or seller, the true name and complete and exact address of the consignee, or purchaser, the quantity and brands of the cigarettes transported and the true name and complete and exact address of the person who has or shall assume payment of the West Virginia state tax, or the tax, if any, of the state or foreign country at the point of ultimate destination: Provided, That any common carrier which has issued a bill of lading for a shipment of cigarettes and is without notice to itself or to any of its agents or employees that said cigarettes are not stamped as required by this article shall be deemed to have complied with this article and the vehicle or vessel in which said cigarettes are being transported shall not be subject to confiscation hereunder.

In the absence of such invoices, delivery tickets or bills of lading, as the case may be, the cigarettes so transported, the vehicle or vessel in which the cigarettes are being transported and any paraphernalia or devices used in connection with the unstamped cigarettes, are declared to be contraband goods and may be seized by the commissioner, his agents or employees or by any peace officer of the state when directed by the commissioner, his agents or employees so to do without a warrant.

If unstamped cigarettes are found in any vending machine, both the cigarettes and the vending machine shall be contraband goods and may be seized by the commissioner, at the discretion of the commissioner, his agents or employees, without a warrant.

Cigarettes and vending machines seized under this section shall be forthwith sold in the manner provided hereinafter in this section and such sale shall not relieve
the owner of the sold personal property of any action
by the commissioner for violations of any other sections
of this article.

The commissioner shall immediately, after any seizure
made pursuant to this section, institute a proceeding for
the confiscation thereof in the circuit court of the county
in which the seizure is made. The court may proceed
in a summary manner and may direct confiscation to the
commissioner: Provided, however, That anything to the
contrary notwithstanding that any person claiming to
be the holder of security interest in any vehicle or vessel,
or vending machine, the disposition of which is provided
for above, may present his petition so alleging and be
heard, and in the event it appears to the court that
the property was unlawfully used by a person other than
such claimant, and if the said claimant acquired his
security interest in good faith and without knowledge
that the vehicle or vessel or vending machine was
going to be so used, the court shall either waive for-
feiture in favor of such claimant and order the vehicle
or vessel or vending machine returned or delivered to
such claimant or if it is found that the value thereof
exceeds the amount of the claim, the court shall order
payment of the amount of the claim out of the proceeds
of the sale.


If any provision of this article or the application thereof
shall for any reason be adjudged by any court of com-
petent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not
affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of said article,
but shall be confined in its operation to the provision
thereof directly involved in the controversy in which
such judgment shall have been rendered, and the ap-
plicability of such provision to other persons or circum-
stances shall not be affected thereby.
AN ACT to amend and reenact sections four-a, four-b and nine, article twenty-one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to further amend said article by adding thereto a new section, designated section four-c, relating to the rates of the personal income tax, the effect of rate changes, and the determination of the meaning of terms as used in said article and chapter.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four-a, four-b and nine, article twenty-one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section four-c, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 21. PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

§11-21-4a. Rate of tax—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1963, and ending prior to January 1, 1970.

§11-21-4b. Same—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1970.

§11-21-4c. Effect of rate changes during a taxable year.


§11-21-4a. Rate of tax—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1963, and ending prior to January 1, 1970.

(a) Rate of Tax on Individuals and Heads of Households.—The tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income of every individual, every individual who is a head of a household in the determination of his federal income tax for the taxable year, and every estate and trust shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(b) Rate of Tax in Case of Joint Return or Return of Surviving Spouse.—In the case of a joint return of a husband and wife and the return of an individual who is entitled to file his federal income tax return for the taxable year as a surviving spouse, the tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(c) **Effective Date.**—The provisions of this section shall be given effect in determining the rate of tax imposed by this article for all taxable years or portions thereof beginning on or after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, and ending prior to January one, one thousand nine hundred seventy.

§11-21-4b. Same—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1970.

(a) **Rate of Tax on Individuals and Heads of Households.**—The tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income of every individual, every individual who is a head of a household in the determination of his federal income tax for the taxable year, and every estate and trust shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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34 (b) Rate of Tax in Case of Joint Return or Return of Surviving Spouse.—In the case of a joint return of a husband and wife and the return of an individual who is entitled to file his federal income tax return for the taxable year as a surviving spouse, the tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(c) Effective Date.—The provisions of this section shall be given effect in determining the rate of tax imposed by this article for all taxable years or portions thereof beginning on or after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy.

§11-21-4c. Effect of rate changes during a taxable year.

If any rate of tax imposed by this article changes to become effective after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred sixty-two, and if the taxable year includes the effective date of the change (unless that date is the first day of the taxable year), then: (1) Tentative taxes shall be computed by applying the rate for the period before the effective date of the change, and the rate for the period on and after such date, to the taxable income for the entire taxable year; and (2) the tax for such taxable year shall be the sum of that proportion of each tentative tax which the number of days in each period bears to the number of days in the entire taxable year.


Any term used in this article shall have the same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly required. Any reference in this article to the laws of the United States shall mean the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and such other provisions of the laws of the United States as relate to the determination of income for federal income tax purposes. All amendments made to the laws of the United States prior to the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy, shall be given effect in determining the taxes imposed by this article for the tax period beginning the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy, and thereafter, but no amendment to laws of the United States made on or after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy, shall be given effect.
CHAPTER 77

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 612—Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section five, article two, chapter twenty-one-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; to amend and reenact sections ten and ten-a, article five of said chapter; to amend and reenact sections ten and eleven, article six of said chapter; to amend and reenact section twenty-seven, article seven of said chapter; and to amend article five of said chapter by adding thereto a new section, designated section seventeen-c, all relating to unemployment compensation, the department of employment security and the commissioner of said department.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five, article two, chapter twenty-one-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; that sections ten and ten-a, article five of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that sections ten and eleven, article six of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that section twenty-seven, article seven of said chapter be amended and reenacted; and that article five of said chapter be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section seventeen-c, all to read as follows:

Article

5. Employer Coverage and Responsibility.
6. Employee Eligibility; Benefits.
7. Claim Procedure.

ARTICLE 2. THE COMMISSIONER OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

§21A-2-5. Compensation; traveling expenses.

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section two-a, article seven, chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, the com-
missioner of employment security shall receive a yearly
salary of twenty thousand dollars and the necessary
traveling expenses incident to the performance of his
duties. Requisition for traveling expenses shall be ac-
 companied by a sworn itemized statement which shall
be filed with the auditor and preserved as a public
record.

ARTICLE 5. EMPLOYER COVERAGE AND RESPONSIBILITY.

§21A-5-10. Same—Decreased rates; adjustment of accounts and rates;
debit balance account rates.

§21A-5-10a. Same—Modification or suspension of decreased rates.

§21A-5-17c. Service of process on nonresident employer.

§21A-5-10. Same—Decreased rates; adjustment of accounts
and rates; debit balance account rates.

(a) On and after January one, one thousand nine
hundred fifty-four, after the requirements of section
nine have been complied with, an employer's payment
shall remain two and seven-tenths percent until:

(1) There have elapsed thirty-six consecutive months
immediately preceding the computation date through-
out which an employer's account was chargeable with
benefits.

(2) His payments credited to his account for all past
years exceed the benefits charged to his account by
an amount equal to at least the percent of his average
annual payroll as shown in Column B of Table II. His
rate shall be the amount appearing in Column C of Table
II on line with the percentage in Column B.

When the total assets of the fund as of January one
of a calendar year equal or exceed one hundred million
dollars, an employer's rate shall be the amount appearing
in Column D of Table II on line with the percentage
in Column B.

When the total assets of the fund as of January one
of a calendar year equal or exceed one hundred ten
million dollars, an employer's rate shall be the amount
appearing in Column E of Table II on line with the per-
centage in Column B.
If the commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of section ten-a, article five of this chapter, determines the fund to be below the sum of seventy-five million dollars, then, by the express provisions of this paragraph, the employer's rate shall immediately be the amount appearing in Column C of Table II on line with the percentage in Column B; and the provisions of section ten-a, article five of this chapter shall be fully applied by the commissioner. It is the express intent of this paragraph that the increases of the aforesaid section ten-a be applied to and added to the employers' rates set forth in the aforesaid Column C of Table II.

The commissioner shall determine an employer's compliance with these requirements.

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(b) All employer accounts in which charges for all past years exceed credits for such past years shall be
adjusted effective June thirty, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, so that as of said date, for the purpose of determining such employer's rate of contribution, the credits for all past years shall be deemed to equal the charges to such accounts.

Effective on and after the computation date of June thirty, one thousand nine hundred sixty-eight, and notwithstanding the provisions of subsection one of section seven of article five relating to the noncrediting of employers' accounts with the first seven tenths of one percent of contributions paid; for the purpose of determining whether or not an employer shall pay contributions at a rate in excess of two and seven-tenths percent as hereinafter set forth, but not for the purpose of determining such rate, the department shall, only for the purpose set forth herein and not as a credit to such account, add to the accounts of all employers having a debit balance, contribution payments made by such employers on and after July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, which payments are not credited to employers' accounts by reason of the provisions contained in subsection one of section seven of article five. If, after such contribution payments have been added to such employers' accounts, such accounts continue to show a debit balance, such employers shall make payments at a rate in excess of two and seven-tenths percent. If, after such contribution payments have been added to such employers' accounts, such accounts show a credit balance, such employers shall make payments at the rate of two and seven-tenths percent. If, under the conditions set forth in this paragraph, it is determined that an employer shall pay contributions at a rate in excess of two and seven-tenths percent, the rate in excess of two and seven-tenths percent at which an employer shall pay contributions shall then be determined solely under the conditions set forth in the following paragraphs of this subsection. The provisions contained in this paragraph shall in no way be considered as providing for the crediting to an employer's account, of amounts of employer contribution payments
which are expressly not credited to employers' accounts in subsection one of section seven of article five.

Effective on and after the computation date of June thirty, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, all employers with a debit balance account in which the benefits charged to their account for all past years exceed the payments credited to their account for such past years by an amount up to and including ten percent of their average annual payroll, shall make payments to the unemployment compensation fund at the rate of three percent of wages paid by them with respect to employment.

Effective on and after the computation date of June thirty, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven, all employers with a debit balance account in which the benefits charged to their account for all past years exceed the payments credited to their account for such past years by an amount in excess of ten percent of their average annual payroll, shall make payments to the unemployment compensation fund at the rate of three and three-tenths percent of wages paid by them with respect to employment.

"Debit balance account" for the purposes of this subsection means an account in which the benefits charged for all past years exceed the payments credited for such past years.

"Credit balance account" for the purposes of this subsection means an account in which the payments credited for all past years exceed the benefits charged for such past years.

Once a debit balance account rate is established for an employer's account for a year, it shall apply for the entire year notwithstanding the provisions of section ten-a of this article.

§21A-5-10a. Same—Modification or suspension of decreased rates.

(1) As used in this section, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
"Due date" means the last day of the month next following a calendar quarter. In determining the amount in the fund on any due date, contributions received, but not benefits paid, for such month next following the end of a calendar quarter shall be included.

(2) The commissioner shall as of the due date for the payment of contributions for each calendar quarter determine the amount in the unemployment compensation fund, including the trust fund, the clearing account, and the benefit account; and if, at any such time or times the fund is below the sum of seventy-five million dollars, the commissioner shall, effective at the commencement of the next calendar quarter, increase each employer's rate one step, and if, at any such time or times the fund is below the sum of seventy million dollars, the commissioner shall further increase each employer's rate one additional step; and if, at any such time or times the fund is below the sum of sixty-five million dollars, the commissioner shall further increase each employer's rate one additional step.

Where the employer rates have been increased by virtue of the provisions of this section, they shall be correspondingly decreased in the same manner when the balance in the fund returns to the successive levels hereinabove set forth.

For purposes of this subsection the term "one step" or "one additional step" shall mean four tenths of one percent, except that, for an employer whose rate is zero the term "one step" shall mean three tenths of one percent: Provided, however, That under no circumstances shall an employer's rate be increased above two and seven-tenths percent if such employer's contribution rate, as computed by the commissioner in compliance with subsection three, section seven, article five of this chapter is two and seven-tenths percent or less: Provided further, That if the contribution rate of such employer as computed by the commissioner in compliance with subsection three, section seven, article five of this chapter is three percent or higher, then such employer's
rate shall not be increased above three and three-tenths percent.

(3) If, as of the due date for the payment of contributions for any calendar quarter the unemployment compensation fund, including the trust fund, clearing account and benefit account, is below the sum of sixty million dollars, the commissioner shall, effective at the commencement of the next calendar quarter, suspend the decreased rates as provided in this chapter, and all contributions of employers due thereafter whose contribution rate as computed by the commissioner in compliance with subsection three, section seven of this article, is two and seven-tenths percent or less, shall be paid at the rate of two and seven-tenths percent; and all contributions of employers due thereafter whose contribution rate as computed by the commissioner in compliance with subsection (b), section ten of this article, is over two and seven-tenths percent, shall remain and be paid at said rate over two and seven-tenths percent.

(4) As of January first of the year next following the date on which the unemployment compensation fund, including the trust fund, clearing account and benefit account, reaches and remains above the sum of sixty-five million dollars, the commissioner shall supersede the suspension of the decreased rates as provided for in subsection three.

§21A-5-17c. Service of process on nonresident employer.

If an employer is not a resident of West Virginia or is a corporation not authorized to do business in this state and for which employer services are performed in insured work within the state of West Virginia and liability for payment of unemployment compensation contributions is due and payable to this state under the provisions of the West Virginia unemployment compensation law, such employer shall be deemed to appoint the auditor of the state of West Virginia, or his successor in office, to be the employer's true and lawful attorney upon whom may be served all lawful process in any action or any proceeding for all purposes under this chapter and when served as hereinafter provided such service
shall have the same force, effect and validity as if said nonresident employer were personally served with summons and complaint in this state.

Service shall be made by leaving the original and two copies of both the summons and complaint, and a fee of two dollars, with said auditor, or in his office, and said service shall be sufficient upon said nonresident. In the event any such summons and complaint is so served on said auditor he shall immediately cause one of the copies of the summons and complaint to be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the employer at the latter's last known or reasonably ascertainable address. The employer's return receipt or, if such registered or certified mail is returned to said auditor refused by the addressee or for any other reason is undelivered, such mail showing thereon the stamp of the post-office department that delivery has been refused, or other reason for nondelivery, shall be appended to the original summons and complaint, and filed by the state auditor in the clerk's office of the court from which said process issued.

ARTICLE 6. EMPLOYEE ELIGIBILITY; BENEFITS.

§21A-6-10. Benefit rate—Total unemployment; annual computation and publication of rates.

§21A-6-11. Same—Partial unemployment.

§21A-6-10. Benefit rate—Total unemployment; annual computation and publication of rates.

1 Each eligible individual who is totally unemployed in any week shall be paid benefits with respect to that week at the weekly rate appearing in Column (C) in Table A in this paragraph, on the line on which in Column (A) there is indicated the employee's wage class, except as otherwise provided under the term "total and partial unemployment" in section three, article one of this chapter. The employee's wage class shall be determined by his base period wages as shown in Column (B) in Table A. The right of an employee to receive benefits shall not be prejudiced nor the amount thereof be diminished by reason of failure by an employer to pay either the wages earned
by the employee or the contribution due on such wages. An individual who is totally unemployed but earns in excess of fifteen dollars as a result of odd-job or subsidiary work in any benefit week shall be paid benefits for such week in accordance with the provisions of this chapter pertaining to benefits for partial unemployment.

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Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this section, on and after July one, one thousand nine hundred
sixty-seven, the maximum weekly benefit rate shall be forty percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this section, on and after July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, the maximum weekly benefit rate shall be forty-five percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia.

The commissioner, after he has determined the maximum weekly benefit rate upon the basis of the above formula, shall establish as many additional wage classes as are required, increasing the amount of base period wages required for each class by one hundred fifty dollars, the weekly benefit rate for each class by one dollar, and the maximum benefit by twenty-six dollars.

After he has established such additional wage classes, the commissioner shall prepare and publish a table setting forth such information.

Average weekly wage shall be computed by dividing the number of employees in West Virginia earning wages in covered employment into the total wages paid to employees in West Virginia in covered employment, and by further dividing said result by fifty-two, and shall be determined from employer wage and contribution reports for the previous calendar year which are furnished to the department on or before June one following such calendar year. The average weekly wage, as determined by the commissioner, shall be rounded to the next higher dollar.

The computation and determination of rates as aforesaid shall be completed annually before July one, and any such new wage class, with its corresponding wages in base period, weekly benefit rate, and maximum benefit in a benefit year established by the commissioner in the foregoing manner effective on a July one, shall apply only to a new claim established by a claimant on and after said July one, and shall not apply to continued claims of a claimant based on his new claim established before said July one.
§21A-6-11. Same—Partial unemployment.

1 An eligible individual who is partially unemployed in any week shall, upon claim therefor filed within such time and in such manner as the commissioner may by regulation prescribe, be paid benefits for such partial unemployment in an amount equal to his weekly benefit rate, as determined in accordance with section ten of this article, less that part of wages from any source payable to him with respect to such week which is in excess of fifteen dollars: Provided, That such amount of benefits if not a multiple of one dollar shall be computed to the next higher multiple of one dollar. Such partial benefits shall be paid to such individual for the week for which he is claiming benefits without regard to the provisions of subdivisions one and four of section one of this article.

ARTICLE 7. CLAIM PROCEDURE.

§21A-7-27. Appeal to supreme court of appeals.

1 The appeal from the decision of the circuit court of Kanawha county may be taken to the supreme court of appeals if a proper petition for certiorari is filed within sixty days of the date of the final decision of the circuit court of Kanawha county. The cases shall go from the circuit court of Kanawha county only on writ of certiorari and need be heard only at the session of the supreme court.

CHAPTER 78

(House Bill No. 681—By Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact chapter nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the continuation and organization of the department of welfare, the office of commissioner of welfare; qualifications for holding the office of commissioner of welfare; the responsibilities, duties and powers of the department of welfare and of the commissioner of welfare; the acceptance of certain federal funds by the state;
the granting of assistance to those persons qualified therefor; the definition of certain words and terms used in this chapter; the advisory board to the commissioner; the department of welfare services fund and disbursements therefrom; the advisory council to the commissioner of welfare respecting the department of welfare medical services fund; exempting grants of all classes of welfare assistance from certain taxes and claims; release or reassignment of certain liens and insurance policies; making available certain information for public inspector; and providing penalties for violation of certain provisions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

CHAPTER 9. PUBLIC WELFARE.

ARTICLE 1. LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS.

§9-1-1. Legislative purpose.

§9-1-2. Definitions.

§9-1-1. Legislative purpose.

The Legislature in enacting this chapter intends to continue on a reorganized basis welfare assistance programs heretofore administered by the state department of welfare and county councils to the end that residents of the state who are subject to the recurring misfortunes of life may continue to have such aid and encouragement as the county alone, the state alone or the state in cooperation with the federal government may provide.

§9-1-2. Definitions.

The following words and terms when used in this chapter shall have the meaning hereafter ascribed to
them unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(a) The term "department" shall mean the state department of welfare.

(b) The term "commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of welfare.

(c) The term "federal-state assistance" shall mean and include (1) all forms of aid, care, assistance and services to or on behalf of persons, which are authorized by, and who are authorized to receive the same under and by virtue of, subchapters one, four, five, ten, fourteen, sixteen, eighteen and nineteen, chapter seven, Title 42, United States Code, as those subchapters have heretofore been and may hereafter be amended, supplemented and revised by acts of Congress, and as those subchapters so amended, supplemented and revised have heretofore been and may hereafter be supplemented by valid rules and regulations promulgated by authorized federal agents and agencies, and as those subchapters so amended, supplemented and revised have heretofore been and may hereafter be supplemented by rules and regulations promulgated by the state department of welfare, which department rules and regulations shall be consistent with federal laws, rules and regulations, but not inconsistent with state law, and (2) all forms of aid, care, assistance and services to persons, which are authorized by, and who are authorized to receive the same under and by virtue of, any act of Congress, other than the Federal Social Security Act, as amended, for distribution through the state department of welfare to recipients of any form of aid, care, assistance and services to persons designated or referred to in (1) of this definition and to recipients of state assistance, including by way of illustration, surplus food and food stamps, which Congress has authorized the secretary of agriculture of the United States to distribute to needy persons.

(d) The term "federal assistance" shall mean and include all forms of aid, care, assistance and services to or on behalf of persons, which are authorized by,
and who are authorized to receive the same under and by virtue of, any act of Congress for distribution through the state department of welfare, the cost of which is paid entirely out of federal appropriations.

(e) The term “state assistance” shall mean and include all forms of aid, care, assistance, services and general relief made possible solely out of state and county appropriations to or on behalf of indigent persons, which are authorized by, and who are authorized to receive the same under and by virtue of, department rules and regulations.

(f) The term “welfare assistance” shall mean the three classes of assistance administered by the department, namely: Federal-state assistance, federal assistance and state assistance.

(g) The term “indigent person” shall mean any person who is domiciled in this state and who is actually in need as defined by department rules and regulations and has not sufficient income or other resources to provide for such need as determined by the department.

(h) The term “domiciled in this state” shall mean being physically present in West Virginia accompanied by an intention to remain in West Virginia for an indefinite period of time, and to make West Virginia his or her permanent home. The department may by rules and regulations supplement the foregoing definition of the term “domiciled in this state,” but not in such a manner as would be inconsistent with federal laws, rules, and regulations applicable to and governing federal-state assistance.

(i) The term “medical services” means medical, surgical, dental and nursing services, and other remedial services recognized by law, in the home, office, hospital, clinic and any other suitable place, provided or prescribed by persons permitted or authorized by law to give such services; such services to include drugs and medical supplies, appliances, laboratory, diagnostic and therapeutic services, nursing home and convalescent
83 care and such other medical services and supplies as
84 may be prescribed by such persons.
85 (j) The term "general relief" shall mean cash or
86 its equivalent in services or commodities expended for
87 care and assistance to an indigent person other than
88 for care in a county infirmary, child shelter, or similar
89 institution.

ARTICLE 2. DEPARTMENT OF WELFARE AND OFFICE OF COM-
MISSIONER OF WELFARE; POWERS, DUTIES
AND RESPONSIBILITIES GENERALLY.

§9-2-1. Continuation of department of welfare.
§9-2-2. Commissioner to be administrative head of department; ap-
pointment, qualifications, etc.; not to hold other office or
engage in political activity.
§9-2-4. Organization of department of welfare.
§9-2-5. Responsibility and powers of department.
§9-2-7. State's participation in federal work incentive program.

§9-2-1. Continuation of department of welfare.
1 The state department of welfare, first created as the
2 state department of public assistance by chapter one,
3 acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one
4 thousand nine hundred thirty-six, and later reconsti-
5 tuted as the state department of welfare by chapter
6 one hundred ten, acts of the Legislature, regular session,
7 one thousand nine hundred sixty-one, shall be continued
8 and organized as provided and authorized by this chap-
9 ter and shall have those powers and duties respecting
10 the administration of the welfare assistance programs
11 as authorized, granted and imposed by this chapter and
12 elsewhere by law.

§9-2-2. Commissioner to be administrative head of department;
appointment, qualifications, etc.; not to hold other
office or engage in political activity.
1 The chief executive officer and administrative head of
2 the department shall be the commissioner of welfare,
3 who shall be appointed and compensated, and shall serve,
4 as provided by section two-a, article seven, chapter six
5 of this code.
6 The commissioner shall be selected with special refer-
7 ence and consideration given to his training, experience,
8 capacity and interest in or relating to the welfare assist-
ance programs administered by the state department of welfare.

Before entering upon the duties of his office, the commissioner shall take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed by section five, article four of the state constitution and shall execute a corporate surety bond in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the faithful performance of his duties. The bond shall be in the form prescribed by the attorney general and approved by the governor, and both the certificate of the oath and the bond shall be filed with the secretary of state. Premiums upon the bond shall be paid out of the funds of the department.

The commissioner shall not be a candidate for, or hold, any other public office or public employment under the federal government or under the government of this state or any of its political subdivisions, or be a member of officer of any political party committee, or serve as an election official, or engage in any political activity, other than to vote, in behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate, political party or public issue involved in an election. Any violation by the commissioner of the provisions of this paragraph shall automatically vacate his appointment as commissioner.


The state assents to the purposes of federal-state assistance and federal assistance, accepts federal appropriations and other forms of assistance made under or pursuant thereto, and authorizes the receipt of such appropriations into the state treasury and the receipt of other forms of assistance by the department for expenditure, disbursement, and distribution by the department in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and the conditions imposed by applicable federal laws, rules and regulations.

§ 9-2-4. Organization of department of welfare.

Within limits of state appropriations and federal grants and subject to provisions of state and federal laws, rules and regulations, the commissioner shall organize the department into such offices, divisions, agencies and other
administrative units, and, consistent with the require-
ments of article six, chapter twenty-nine of this code,
shall appoint and employ for the department such depu-
ties, assistants and employees, as may in his judgment
be necessary or desirable to carry out fully and in an
orderly, efficient and economical manner the powers,
duties and responsibilities of the department and of his
office.

§9-2-5. Responsibility and powers of department.

The department is charged with the responsibility of
administering for the state the welfare assistance pro-
grams, for which responsibility it shall have (1) all
powers, not inconsistent with state law, as may be neces-
sary for this state to obtain maximum federal funds made
available for federal-state assistance within whatever
limits or restrictions may be imposed by, or may exist by
reason of the amount of state funds appropriated for such
assistance under, the state's budget act and supplementary
appropriation acts, and (2) all powers, not inconsistent
with state law, as may be necessary for the disbursement
and distribution of welfare assistance to those persons
qualified therefor in as prompt, fair, orderly, efficient and
economical manner as possible.


Within limits of state appropriations and federal grants
and subject to provisions of state and federal laws and
regulations, the commissioner, in addition to all other
powers, duties and responsibilities granted and assigned
to that office in this chapter and elsewhere by law, is
authorized and empowered to:

(1) Promulgate, amend, revise, and rescind depart-
ment rules and regulations respecting the organization
and government of the department and the execution and
administration of those powers, duties and responsi-
bilities granted and assigned by this chapter and else-
where by law to the department and the commissioner.

(2) Promulgate, amend, revise and rescind depart-
ment rules and regulations respecting qualifications for
receiving the different classes of welfare assistance con-
sistent with or permitted by federal laws, rules and regulations, but not inconsistent with state law.

(3) Obtain by purchase or lease such grounds, buildings, office or other space, equipment, facilities and services, as may be necessary for the execution and administration of those powers, duties and responsibilities granted and assigned by this chapter and elsewhere by law to the department and the commissioner.

(4) Sign and execute in the name of the state by the state department of welfare any contract or agreement with the federal government or its agencies, other states, political subdivisions of this state, corporations, associations, partnerships or individuals.

(5) Establish such special funds as may be required by the Federal Social Security Act, as amended, or by any other act or acts of Congress, in order for this state to take full advantage of the benefits and provisions thereof relating to the federal-state assistance and federal assistance programs administered by the department, and to make payments into and disbursements out of any such special fund or funds in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Social Security Act, as amended, or any other act or acts of Congress, and in accordance with applicable state law and the objects and purposes of this chapter. In addition, the state department of welfare, through the commissioner, is hereby authorized to accept any and all gifts or grants, whether in money, land, services, or materials, which gift or gifts, if in the form of moneys, shall be placed in a separate fund and expended solely for the purpose of welfare programs. No part of this special fund shall revert to the general revenue funds of this state. No expenses incurred pursuant to this special fund shall be a charge against the general funds of this state.

(6) Establish, in addition to the state advisory board and advisory council provided for in this chapter, such county advisory boards as may in his judgment be necessary or desirable to advise the department and the commissioner with respect to the total welfare assistance.
program administered by the department or any phase thereof, such additional board or boards to consist of such number of persons, professional, lay, or both, and to have such responsibilities of an advisory nature, as the commissioner may determine. However, (1) the members of any such additional board or boards shall not be compensated for their services but shall be entitled to reimbursement for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as a member of any such board; and (2) the members of any such additional board or boards shall serve at the will and pleasure of the commissioner.

(7) Provide at department expense a program of continuing professional, technical, and specialized instruction for the personnel of the department.

(8) Pay from available funds all or part of the reasonable expenses incurred by a person newly employed by the department in moving his household furniture, effects and immediate family from his place of residence in this state to his place of employment in this state; and to pay from available funds all or part of the reasonable expenses incurred by a department employee in moving his household furniture, effects and immediate family as a result of a reassignment of the employee which is considered desirable, advantageous to and in the best interests of the state, but no part of the moving expenses of any one such employee shall be paid more frequently than once in twelve months or for any movement other than from one place of employment in this state to another place of employment in this state.

(9) Establish and maintain such institutions as are necessary for the temporary care, maintenance, and training of children and other persons.

(10) Prepare and submit state plans which will meet the requirements of federal laws, rules and regulations governing federal-state assistance and federal assistance and which are not inconsistent with state law.

(11) Organize within the department a board of review, consisting of a chairman appointed by the com-
missioner and as many assistants or employees of the department as may be determined by the commissioner and as may be required by federal laws, rules and regulations respecting state assistance, federal-state assistance and federal assistance, such board of review to have such powers of a review nature and such additional powers as may be granted to it by the commissioner and as may be required by federal laws, rules and regulations respecting federal-state assistance and federal assistance.

(12) Provide by rules and regulations such review and appeal procedures within the department of welfare as may be required by applicable federal laws, rules and regulations respecting state assistance, federal-state assistance and federal assistance and as will provide applicants for, and recipients of all, classes of welfare assistance an opportunity to be heard by the board of review, a member thereof, or individuals designated by said board, upon claims involving denial, reduction, closure, delay, or other action or inaction pertaining to welfare assistance.

(13) Provide by rules and regulations, consistent with requirements of applicable federal laws, rules and regulations, application forms and application procedures for the various classes of welfare assistance.

(14) Provide locations for making applications for the various classes of welfare assistance.

(15) Provide a citizen or group of citizens an opportunity to file objections and to be heard upon objections to the grant of any class of welfare assistance.

(16) Delegate to the personnel of the department all powers and duties vested in the commissioner, except the power and authority to sign contracts and agreements, but the commissioner shall remain responsible therefor.

(17) Make such reports, in such form and containing such information, as may be required by applicable federal laws, rules and regulations respecting federal-state assistance and federal assistance.
(18) Invoke any legal, equitable or special remedies for the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter.

§9-2-7. State’s participation in federal work incentive program.

The state of West Virginia hereby acknowledges that the Congress of the United States has enacted legislation amending the Social Security Act to permit states to establish work incentive programs. The commissioner is hereby authorized to transfer moneys from any appropriate public assistance grant account under his control to the special fund, administered by the United States secretary of labor, created by such amendments. Any moneys transferred by the commissioner to the aforesaid special fund shall be considered as money expended for welfare grants. The commissioner is further empowered to promulgate rules, establish plans and perform any other acts necessary to implement this state’s participation in the aforesaid work incentive program.

The commissioner is directed and authorized to cooperate and coordinate his activities in regard to such program with the commissioner of the West Virginia department of employment security as contemplated by section sixteen-a, article two, chapter twenty-one-a of the code of West Virginia.

ARTICLE 3. APPLICATION FOR AND GRANTING OF ASSISTANCE.

§9-3-1. Application for and granting of federal-state or federal assistance.

§9-3-2. Application for and granting of state assistance.

§9-3-3. Making application, investigation and grant.

§9-3-1. Application for and granting of federal-state or federal assistance.

Any person domiciled in this state, who shall make, or have made in his or her behalf, an application therefor and who is otherwise in all respects qualified to receive the same, shall be granted federal-state assistance or federal assistance in such form and amount, to such extent, and for such period, as authorized by applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations and as determined by the department in accordance with such laws, rules and regulations and within limits of available funds.
§9-3-2. Application for and granting of state assistance.

Any indigent person domiciled in this state, who shall make, or have made in his or her behalf, an application therefor and who is otherwise in all respects qualified to receive the same, shall be granted state assistance in such form and amount, to such extent, and for such period, as authorized by applicable state laws, rules and regulations of the department and as determined by the department in accordance with such laws, rules and regulations and within limits of available funds.

§9-3-3. Making application, investigation and grant.

All persons wishing to make application for any class of welfare assistance shall have an opportunity to do so. Upon receipt of an application for any class of welfare assistance, the department shall make such investigation as may be necessary and as the exigency of the case will permit to determine the eligibility of the applicant for, and the form, amount, extent, and period of, such assistance.

When the department approves an application for any class of welfare assistance, it shall fix the amount, form, extent and period of such assistance in accordance with applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations and within the limits of available funds.

ARTICLE 4. STATE ADVISORY BOARD, MEDICAL SERVICES FUND, ADVISORY COUNCIL, GENERAL RELIEF FUND.

§9-4-1. State advisory board.
§9-4-2. Medical services fund.
§9-4-3. Advisory council.
§9-4-4. General relief fund.

§9-4-1. State advisory board.

The state advisory board, created as an advisory body to the commissioner by chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, shall be continued and organized as provided by this section and shall have those advisory powers and duties as are granted and imposed by this section and elsewhere by law.
The term of office of those persons serving as members of the state advisory board upon the effective date of this article shall continue until their appointments would have expired under the law applicable thereto in effect at the time of their appointments. As those appointments expire, all new appointments shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

The state advisory board shall be composed of five members, who shall be appointed by the commissioner and shall serve at his will and pleasure.

Members of the board shall be selected with special consideration given to their interest in the welfare program administered by the department.

Each member of the board shall receive an honorarium of twenty-five dollars for each day actually served in attendance at meetings of the board, and all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of his duties and responsibilities under the provisions of this section. Requisitions for all such expenses shall be accompanied by a sworn and itemized statement, which shall be filed with the auditor and preserved as a public record.

The offices and meeting place of the board shall be in the offices of the commissioner, and the board shall meet on call of the commissioner.

The board shall be an advisory body to the commissioner, and as such shall have the following advisory powers and duties, viz., to:

1. Study and reconsider the entire field of legislation and administration relating to welfare assistance.
2. Advise the commissioner concerning the organization and administration of the department.
3. Recommend to the commissioner policies and practices relative to his duties.
4. Advise, and make recommendations to, the governor and Legislature relative to the welfare assistance policy of the state.
5. Advise the commissioner with respect to special problems of different regions of the state and different economic groups.
(6) Advise the commissioner with respect to the preparation and amendment of rules and regulations to give effect to the provisions of this chapter.

(7) Exercise any other advisory powers necessary or reasonably implied within the provisions and purposes of this chapter.

§9-4-2. Medical services fund.

The special fund known as the state of West Virginia public assistance medical services fund established by chapter one hundred forty-three, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three, as amended by chapter two, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred sixty, and chapter forty-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-six, shall be continued in accordance with the provisions of this section so long as the same may be required by federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to federal-state assistance and thereafter so long as the commissioner shall deem such fund to be otherwise necessary or desirable, and henceforth such special fund shall be known as the department of welfare medical services fund, hereinafter referred to as the fund.

The fund shall consist of payments made into the fund out of state appropriations for medical services to recipients of specified classes of welfare assistance and such federal grants-in-aid as are made available for specified classes of welfare assistance. Any balance in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not expire or revert. Payments shall be made out of the fund upon requisition of the commissioner by means of a warrant signed by the auditor and treasurer.

Any county determined to be a non-state-aid county by the department and having funds available to render medical services for recipients of assistance shall be permitted to contribute such funds into the department of welfare medical services fund. Any such payment shall entitle the recipients of assistance in said county to the services provided by the state medical plan. Said county
payment shall be made in the form of a monthly contribution at the same rate as determined by the department, said rate being equally applicable on a statewide basis. Any county making such contributions shall receive the benefit of such federal grants-in-aid as are available for this purpose under the Federal Social Security Act, as amended.

Recipients of those classes of welfare assistance as are specified by the department, consistent with applicable federal laws, rules and regulations, shall be entitled to have costs of necessary medical services paid out of the fund, in the manner and amounts, to the extent, and for the period determined from time to time to be feasible by the commissioner pursuant to rules, regulations and standards established by him. Such rules, regulations and standards shall comply with requirements of applicable federal laws, rules and regulations and shall be established on the basis of money available for the purpose, the number of recipients, the experience with respect to the incidence of illness, disease, accidents, and other causes among such recipients causing them to require medical services and the costs thereof, the amounts which recipients require otherwise in order to maintain a subsistence compatible with decency and health, and any other factor considered relevant and proper by the commissioner.

§9-4-3. Advisory council.

The advisory council, created by chapter one hundred forty-three, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three, as an advisory body to the commissioner with respect to the medical services fund and disbursements therefrom, shall be continued so long as the medical services fund remains in existence, and thereafter so long as the commissioner shall deem such advisory council to be otherwise necessary or desirable, and it shall be organized as provided by this section and shall have those advisory powers and duties as are granted and imposed by this section and elsewhere by law.
The term of office of those five persons serving as members of the advisory council upon the effective date of this article shall continue until their appointments would have expired under the law applicable thereto in effect at the time of their appointments. As those appointments expire, all new appointments shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this section.

The advisory council shall consist of nine members, eight of whom shall be appointed by the commissioner and shall serve at his will and pleasure, and the ninth member shall be the state director of health, ex officio.

Of the eight members of the advisory council appointed by the commissioner, one shall be a person of recognized ability in the field of medicine and surgery with respect to whose appointment the state medical association shall be afforded the opportunity of making nomination of three qualified persons, one shall be a person of recognized ability in the field of dentistry with respect to whose appointment the state dental association shall be afforded the opportunity of making nomination of three qualified persons, and the remaining six shall be chosen from persons of recognized ability in the fields of hospital organization and administration, nursing, welfare, public health, or allied professions in the field of health, or consumers of medical services.

The council shall meet on call of the commissioner.

Each member of the advisory council shall receive an honorarium of twenty-five dollars for each day actually served in attendance at meetings of the council, and all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of his duties and responsibilities under the provisions of this section. Requisitions for all such expenses shall be accompanied by a sworn and itemized statement, which shall be filed with the auditor and preserved as a public record.

The advisory council shall assist the commissioner in the establishment of rules, regulations and standards necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and
shall serve as consultants to the commissioner in carrying out the provisions of this section.

§9-4-4. General relief fund.

The special fund known as the “General Relief Fund of County”, hereinafter county fund, established by chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, shall be continued and governed as provided by this section and rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner.

General relief shall remain the fiscal responsibility of the county as declared in chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six. To the extent that a county is unable because of constitutional restrictions to meet reasonable costs of general relief as required by this article, the responsibility of the state is hereby recognized.

The state general relief fund, established by chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, shall be continued and administered by the commissioner for the purpose of supplementing the county fund for the support of general relief.

The county court shall include as a separate item within its levy estimate and shall provide each year to the county fund not less than six percent of the total which the county is legally authorized to levy for current purposes by section ten, article eight, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended: Provided, however, That the said six percent of such total shall not be required to be provided by the county court if it shall be determined, prior to the laying of the county’s levies, that an amount less than such percent will be sufficient to meet the reasonably anticipated general needs of the county. Such a determination shall require the agreement of at least two of the following persons: The commissioner of welfare, the tax commissioner and the president of the county court at the time such determination is made. Such a determination shall be in writing; shall state the specific
amount determined upon as sufficient to meet the reasonably anticipated general relief needs of the county; shall be signed by the three persons designated or by at least two of them; and shall be filed of record in the office of the tax commissioner. Complete duplicates shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of welfare and with the county court, respectively.

The county court shall levy for general relief not less than the amount so determined and agreed: Provided, further, That if a county court finds that expenditures mandatory under other provisions of law aggregate in excess of ninety-four percent of the total amount which the county court is authorized by law to levy for current purposes, the court may petition the tax commissioner for authority to provide an amount less than that required by the fourth paragraph of this section. If the tax commissioner finds that other mandatory expenditures for the county will exceed ninety-four percent of the authorized total levy for current purposes, he may authorize the county court to provide a lesser amount than that required by said fourth paragraph, but he shall require the maximum possible under the circumstances.

Such part or all of a county general relief fund as can be matched by federal grants may be requisitioned from the county court by the commissioner of welfare and placed in a special fund in the department of welfare to be known as "Special County General Relief Fund", from which the commissioner of welfare shall pay for office space in the county and the services in a county not inconsistent with those for which the county general relief fund was established; but only to the extent of the amount requisitioned from that county and matched by grants from the federal government.

A transfer from the county fund to any other fund shall not be made without the prior approval of the commissioner.

ARTICLE 5. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.
§9-5-1. Exemption of grants from certain taxes and claims.
§9-5-2. Release of liens and reassignment of insurance policies.
§9-5-3. Recipient of assistance not a pauper.
§9-5-4. Penalties for false statements, etc.
§9-5-5. Recipients of cash grants.

§9-5-6. Attorney general and prosecuting attorneys to render legal services to commissioner.

§9-5-7. Visitation by county employees.

§9-5-8. Authority to examine witnesses, administer oaths and take affidavits.

§9-5-9. Liability of relatives for support.

§9-5-10. Continuation of present aid.

§9-5-1. Exemption of grants from certain taxes and claims.

1 Grants of all classes of welfare assistance received under the provisions of this chapter shall be exempted from the collection of taxes except sales taxes, from levy of execution, garnishment, suggestion, and any other legal process.

§9-5-2. Release of liens and reassignment of insurance policies.

1 All liens and claims upon real and personal property and all assignments of insurance policies, imposed, existing or made under the provisions of chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, chapter one hundred five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, chapter seventy-four, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, chapter one hundred twenty-four, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, and chapter one hundred forty-three, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven, which have not been released or reassigned, shall be released or reassigned by the commissioner by the preparation, execution and acknowledgment of a release of each lien or claim and by the delivery of such release to the person or persons entitled thereto for recordation and by a reassignment of each such insurance policy to the person or persons entitled thereto.

§9-5-3. Recipient of assistance not a pauper.

1 A recipient of any class of welfare assistance shall not be deemed a pauper by reason of the receipt of such assistance.

§9-5-4. Penalties for false statements, etc.

1 It shall be a misdemeanor to obtain or attempt to obtain, or aid or abet an applicant or recipient in obtaining
or attempting to obtain, by means of a wilfully false statement or misrepresentation or by impersonation or any other fraudulent device:

(1) Any class of welfare assistance to which the applicant or recipient is not entitled.

(2) Any class of welfare assistance in excess of that to which the applicant or recipient is justly entitled.

Any person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or confined in jail not more than one year, or both; or in the discretion of the court be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars and confined in jail not more than one year. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, prosecutions for violations of this section shall be commenced within three years from the date of any such violation.

§9-5-5. Recipients of cash grants.

Within such limitations as may be imposed by applicable federal laws, rules and regulations, the department of welfare shall make available for public inspection by the thirtieth day of each month a separate alphabetical list of the names and addresses of all persons receiving any class of welfare assistance in the form of cash grants during the preceding month, together with the amounts of such cash grants. This information shall be delivered to the clerk of each county court in the state who shall immediately file the same in his office with respect to persons receiving such cash grants as residents of that county. Such information shall be retained in the files of said clerks of the county courts for a period of two years from the date of receipt thereof. All information other than names, addresses and amounts of such cash grants shall be considered as confidential.

It shall be unlawful, for commercial or political purposes of any nature, for any person or persons, body, association, firm, corporation or other agency to solicit, disclose, receive, make use of, or to authorize, knowingly
permit, participate in, or acquiesce in the use of, any lists of names of, or any information concerning, persons applying for or receiving any class of welfare assistance, directly or indirectly derived from the records, papers, files, or communications of the department of welfare or acquired in the course of performance of official duties. The violation of this provision is a misdemeanor, punishable upon conviction, by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or imprisonment of not more than six months, or both.

For the protection of applicants and recipients of welfare assistance, the department shall be required to establish reasonable rules and regulations governing the custody, use and preservation of the records, papers, files and communications of the department.

§9-5-6. Attorney general and prosecuting attorneys to render legal services to commissioner.

The attorney general of the state and his assistants, and the prosecuting attorneys of the various counties shall render to the commissioner, without additional compensation, such legal services as he shall require of them in the discharge of his duties. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the department from developing plans for cooperation with courts, prosecuting attorneys, and other law-enforcement officials in such a manner as to permit the state and its citizens to obtain maximum fiscal benefits under federal laws, rules and regulations.

§9-5-7. Visitation by county employees.

Health officers, physicians, and nurses employed by the county shall, at the request of the commissioner, make home visits to indigent persons.

§9-5-8. Authority to examine witnesses, administer oaths and take affidavits.

The commissioner and employees of the department of welfare shall have the power and authority to administer oaths, examine witnesses and take and certify affidavits
in any matter or thing pertaining to the business of the
department of welfare.

§9-5-9. Liability of relatives for support.

The relatives of an indigent person, who are of suffi-
cient ability, shall be liable to support such person in the
manner required by the department of welfare and to pay
the expenses of burial when he dies, in the following
order:

(1) The children.
(2) The father.
(3) The brothers and sisters.
(4) The mother.

The commissioner may proceed by motion in the circuit
court of the county in which the indigent person may be,
against one or more of the relatives liable.

If a relative so liable does not reside in this state and
has no estate or debts due him within the state by means
of which the liability can be enforced against him, the
other relatives shall be liable as provided by this section,
but a relative shall not be compelled to receive the
indigent person in his own home.

If it appears that a relative liable for the support of
an indigent person is unable wholly to support him, but
is able to contribute toward his support, the court may
assess upon the relative the proportion which he shall
be required to contribute either to the past expense in-
curred by the department of welfare or to the future
support. The court may assess the residue upon the rela-
tives in the order of their liability.

Payment with interest and costs may be enforced by
execution.

§9-5-10. Continuation of present aid.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, aid or
assistance rendered under existing law shall not be
deemed to be discontinued.
AN ACT to repeal section fourteen, article two; section six, article four; and section twenty-seven, article seven, chapter forty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; to amend and reenact sections one and five, article one of said chapter; to amend and reenact sections nine, twelve and sixteen, article two of said chapter; to amend and reenact section seventeen, article five of said chapter; to amend and reenact sections three and five, article six of said chapter; to amend and reenact section two, article six-a of said chapter; and to amend and reenact sections fourteen, twenty-three, twenty-six and twenty-eight, article seven of said chapter, all relating to child welfare.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fourteen, article two; section six, article four; and section twenty-seven, article seven, chapter forty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; that sections one and five, article one of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that sections nine, twelve and sixteen, article two of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that section seventeen, article five of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that sections three and five, article six of said chapter be amended and reenacted; that section two, article six-a of said chapter be amended and reenacted; and that sections fourteen, twenty-three, twenty-six and twenty-eight, article seven of said chapter be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

Article

1. Purposes; Definitions.
2. State Responsibilities for the Protection and Care of Children.
4. Procedure in Neglect Cases.
5. Reports of Child Abuse by Physicians and Others.
ARTICLE 1. PURPOSES; DEFINITIONS.

§49-1-1. Purpose.
§49-1-5. Definitions of other terms.

1 The purpose of this chapter is to provide a comprehensive system of child welfare throughout the state.

2 The child welfare service of the state shall be administered by the state department of welfare and the licensing board herein provided in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

3 The state department of welfare is designated as the agency to cooperate with the children's bureau of the United States department of health, education and welfare in extending and improving child welfare services, to comply with regulations of the children's bureau, and to receive and expend federal funds for these services.

§49-1-5. Definitions of other terms.

1 For the purposes of this chapter:

2 (1) "State department" means the state department of welfare;

3 (2) "State board" means the state advisory board;

4 (3) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of welfare;

5 (4) "Child welfare agency" means any agency or institution maintained by a municipality or county, or any agency or institution maintained by a person, firm, corporation, association or organization to receive children for care and maintenance or for placement in a family home, or day care center or any institution that provides care for unmarried mothers and their children, but shall not include county shelters established and maintained for the detention of delinquent children or those charged with delinquency;

6 (5) "Licensing board" means a board consisting of the commissioner of welfare, the state director of health and three persons appointed by the governor.

ARTICLE 2. STATE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CARE OF CHILDREN.

§49-2-12. Same—Removal of child from undesirable foster home.

Any family home, not under the supervision of the state department of welfare or of a child welfare agency, in which one or more neglected children under the care of the state department of welfare and under eighteen years of age, separated from parents or guardian and not related by blood or marriage to the person maintaining the home, are received, cared for and maintained for compensation, or otherwise, shall be considered an unsupervised foster home. No person shall conduct an unsupervised foster home without a certificate from the state department.

§49-2-12. Same—Removal of child from undesirable foster home.

If at any time the state department shall find a child in an unsupervised foster home where the child is subject to undesirable influences or lacks proper or wise care and management, it shall take necessary action to remove the child and arrange for his care.


The state department of welfare is authorized to provide care, support and protective services for children who are handicapped by dependency, neglect, illegitimate birth, mental or physical disability, or who for other reasons are in need of public service. The state department of welfare is hereby authorized and empowered in its discretion to accept children for care from their parent or parents, guardian or relatives and to accept the custody of children committed to its care by courts exercising juvenile jurisdiction.

The state department of welfare shall provide care in special boarding homes for children needing detention pending disposition by a court having juvenile jurisdiction or temporary care following such court action.

ARTICLE 5. JUVENILE COURTS.

§49-5-17. Probation officers of juvenile court—Generally.

The commissioner of the state department of welfare shall, with the approval of the juvenile court, designate
one of the employees of the state department of welfare to act as a juvenile court probation officer, and when required one or more employees of the state department of welfare to act as assistant or assistants to such probation officer, and such employee or employees, when so assigned, shall perform their duties under the sole supervision and control of the juvenile court and the judge of said court shall have the sole power to recommend the transfer or dismissal of employees so assigned.

The foregoing provisions of this section shall not be construed as abrogating or affecting in any way the power and authority vested in any juvenile court by any special act of the Legislature or otherwise to select, supervise and discharge its own probation officers and assistants thereto.

ARTICLE 6. PROCEDURE IN NEGLECT CASES.

§49-6-3. Same—Temporary custody.

§49-6-5. Disposition of neglected children.

§49-6-3. Same—Temporary custody.

1 Until a hearing can be held upon the petition, the court or judge may order that the child be delivered into the custody of the state department of welfare or into such other custody as the court or judge may deem proper.

§49-6-5. Disposition of neglected children.

1 In any case of a neglected child the court may:

2 (1) Return the child to his own home under supervision of the state department of welfare;

3 (2) Commit the child to the custody of the state department of welfare or a licensed private child welfare agency;

4 (3) When necessary for the welfare of the child, terminate all the parental rights and responsibilities of the parent or parents of the child and commit the child to the permanent care and guardianship of the state department or of a licensed private child welfare agency;

5 (4) Commit the child to a suitable person who may be appointed guardian of the person of the child;

6 (5) Enter whatever other order may, in the discretion of the court, be most conducive to the welfare of the child.
ARTICLE 6A. REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE BY PHYSICIANS AND OTHERS.

§49-6A-2. Reports to department of welfare and to prosecuting attorney; form and contents.

Any duly licensed physician or surgeon, resident physician or surgeon, or intern, or doctor of the healing arts, examining, attending or treating a child under the age of eighteen years, or any registered nurse, any visiting nurse, any school teacher or any social worker, acting in his or her official capacity as such, having a reason to believe that a child under the age of eighteen years has had serious injury or injuries inflicted upon him or her as a result of abuse or neglect, shall report the matter promptly to the nearest office of the department of welfare and to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the injury or abuse occurred or if the county in which the injury or abuse occurred be unknown, to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which such injury or abuse be discovered or reported: Provided, That when attendance with respect to a child is pursuant to the performance of services as a member of the staff of a hospital or similar institution, such staff member shall immediately notify the superintendent, manager, or other person in charge of the institution, who shall immediately make the report to the department of welfare and to the prosecuting attorney. If the report is not made in writing in the first instance, it shall be reduced to writing by the maker thereof as soon as may be practicable thereafter and shall contain the names and addresses of the child and his or her parent or parents, or other person or persons responsible for his or her care, if known, the name of the person or persons delivering or accompanying the child for treatment, if known, the child's age, the nature and extent of the child's injury or injuries, including any evidence of previous injury or injuries, and any other information that the maker of the report believes to be helpful in establishing the cause of the injury and the identity of the person or persons responsible therefor, and such written report shall be immediately filed with the department of welfare and the prosecuting attorney.
ARTICLE 7. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§49-7-14. Same—Recovery on forfeited bond.

§49-7-23. Preservation of records.

§49-7-26. Duty of prosecuting attorney.

§49-7-28. Proceeding by the state department of welfare.

§49-7-14. Same—Recovery on forfeited bond.

1 The penalty of a bond given upon suspension of sentence which becomes forfeited shall be recoverable without separate suit. The court or judge may cause citation or summons to issue to the principal and surety, requiring that they appear at a time named by the court or judge, not less than ten nor more than twenty days from the issuance of the summons, and show cause why judgment should not be entered for the penalty of such bond and execution issued against the property of the principal and of the surety. Upon failure to appear, or failure to show sufficient cause, the court shall enter judgment in behalf of the state of West Virginia against the principal and surety in an amount not to exceed the penalty of the bond plus costs.

15 Any money collected or paid upon an execution, or upon the bond, shall be deposited with the clerk of the court in which the bond was given. The money shall be applied first to the payment of all court costs and then to the treatment, care, or maintenance of the child for whose delinquency conviction was had. If any money so collected is not required for these purposes, it shall be paid within one year into the state treasury.

§49-7-23. Preservation of records.

1 The proceedings, records, reports, case histories, and all other papers or documents of or received by the state department in the administration of this chapter shall be filed of record and preserved.

§49-7-26. Duty of prosecuting attorney.

1 The prosecuting attorney shall render to the state department of welfare, without additional compensation, such legal services as the department may require. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the department from developing plans for cooperation with courts,
§49-7-28. Proceeding by the state department of welfare.

The state department of welfare shall have the authority to institute, in the name of the state, proceedings incident to the performance of its duties under the provisions of this chapter.

CHAPTER 80

(House Bill No. 526—By Mr. Watson and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section seven, article one, chapter twenty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact section five, article two of said chapter, relating to the authority of the secretary of the workmen’s compensation fund to act during the commissioner’s absence or inability to act, and the payment of workmen’s compensation premiums.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seven, article one, chapter twenty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that section five, article two of said chapter be amended and reenacted, all to

Article


2. Employers and Employees Subject to Chapter; Premiums.

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

§23-1-7. Secretary to act during commissioner’s absence or inability to act and in case of vacancy; bond of secretary.

Whenever it shall appear that the commissioner will be absent or unable to act for one week or more, the
secretary of the commissioner may be designated by
the commissioner to act during his absence or inability
to act, and during such period he shall have all the
duties and powers of the commissioner. The secretary
shall give bond in the penalty of twenty-five thousand
dollars conditioned for the faithful performance of the
duties of his office, which bond shall be approved by
the attorney general as to form and by the governor
as to sufficiency. The surety of such bond may be a
bonding or surety company, in which case the premium
shall be paid out of the appropriation made for the ad-
ministration of this chapter.

In the event a vacancy occurs in the office of commis-
sioner, the secretary of the commissioner shall have all
the duties and powers of the commissioner until a com-
missioner is appointed by the governor in accordance
with section one of this article.

ARTICLE 2. EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES SUBJECT TO
CHAPTER; PREMIUMS.

§23-2-5. Payment of premiums; payroll report; effect of fail-
ure to pay premiums or make payroll report; re-
instatement; application for benefits; deposit to
insure payment of premiums; refund of deposit;
notice to employees.

For the purpose of creating a workmen's compensation
fund each employer subject to this chapter shall pay the
premiums of liabilities based upon and being such a per-
centage of the payroll of such employer as may have
been determined by the commissioner and be then in
effect. The premiums shall be paid quarterly on or be-
fore the last day of the next succeeding month
for the preceding quarter, and shall be the prescribed
percentage of the total earnings of all employees within
the meaning of this chapter, for such preceding quarter.
The minimum premium to be paid by any employer for
any quarter shall be one dollar and fifty cents. The
premiums and deposits provided for in this chapter shall
be paid by the employers to the state compensation com-
missioner, who shall issue receipts for all sums so re-
ceived to the state treasurer and retain a copy for his
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own records. All sums received by the state compensa-
tion commissioner as herein provided shall be deposited
in the state treasury to the credit of the workmen's com-
ensation fund in the manner now prescribed by law
for depositing money in the state treasury. Each em-
ployer shall make a payroll report to the commissioner
for each quarter as heretofore specified, and such report
shall be on the form or forms prescribed by the commis-
sioner, and furnish all information required by him.

Failure to pay premiums as herein provided or to make
the quarterly payroll reports required by the commis-
sioner shall deprive the employer so delinquent of the
benefits and protection afforded by this chapter, and
shall automatically terminate the election of such
employer to pay into the workmen's compensation fund
as herein provided, and such employer shall be liable to
his employees as provided in section eight of this article;
and the commissioner shall not be required to notify
the delinquent employer of such termination, but he
shall notify the employees of such employer by written
notice posted as hereinafter provided for in this section.

The termination of election of such delinquent employer
shall date from twelve o'clock p. m., of the last day of
the month in which he fails to pay the premiums or
make a payroll report, as above provided, for the pre-
ceding quarter.

The employer so delinquent may be reinstated upon
application under such terms as are prescribed by this
chapter and by the commissioner hereunder, after the
payment into the workmen's compensation fund of all
unpaid premiums, penalties and charges. Such reinstate-
ment shall be in effect from and after the date that the
new application is accepted by the commissioner: Pro-
vided, however, That such delinquent employer shall
be entitled to the benefits and protection of this chapter
until twelve o'clock p. m., of the last day of the month
immediately succeeding the month in which his election
is terminated, and his employees shall be entitled to
compensation for injuries received during such period,
but not thereafter unless such delinquent employer be-
comes reinstated as herein provided.
Any employer hereafter electing to avail himself of the benefits of this chapter shall at the time of making application to the commissioner deposit in the workmen’s compensation fund an amount estimated to be equal to the amount of the premium which shall be paid by him for the next succeeding quarter. Any employer whose deposit is less than the amount of his premium for the last quarter shall, upon written request from the commissioner mailed to his address as carried upon the books of the commissioner by twelve o’clock p. m., of the last day of the month in which request is mailed, pay to the commissioner a sum sufficient to make his deposit at least equal to the amount of his premium for the last preceding quarter, and failure of any employer to comply with such written request within the time specified shall deprive him of the benefits and protection afforded by this chapter, and shall automatically terminate his election to pay into the workmen’s compensation fund as herein provided, and such employer shall be liable to his employees as provided in section eight of this article; and the commissioner shall not be required to notify the delinquent employer of such termination, but he shall notify the employees of such employer by written notice posted as hereafter provided for in this section. The termination of election of such employer shall date from twelve o’clock p. m., of the last day of the month in which he is notified by the commissioner that his deposit is not equal to the sum of his premium for the last preceding quarter. Such employer may be reinstated upon application under such terms as are prescribed by this chapter and the rules of the commissioner. The deposit hereinbefore described shall be credited to the employer’s account on the books of the commissioner and used to pay premiums and any other sums due the fund when such employer becomes delinquent in the payment of the same.

Upon withdrawal from the fund or termination of election of any employer, he shall be refunded the balance due him of his deposit, after deducting all amounts owed by him to the workmen’s compensation fund, and the commissioner shall notify the employees of such em-
player of said termination in such manner as he may
deeem best and sufficient.

Notices to employees in this section provided for shall
be given by posting written notice that the employer
is delinquent under the compensation law of West Vir-
ginia, and that neither the employer nor the employees
of such employer are protected by said law as to any
injury or death sustained after the date specified in said
notice. Such notice shall be in the form prescribed by
the commissioner and shall be posted in a conspicuous
place at the chief works of the employer, as the same
appear in records of the commissioner. If the said chief
works of the employer cannot be found or identified,
then said notices shall be posted at the front door of
the courthouse of the county in which said chief works
are located, according to the records in the commis-
sioner’s office. Any person who shall, prior to the rein-
statement of the said employer, as hereinbefore provided
for, or prior to sixty days after the posting of said notice,
whichever shall first occur, remove, deface or render
illegible the said notice, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,
and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not to ex-
ceed five hundred dollars, and the said notice shall state
this provision upon its face. The commissioner may re-
quire any sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, or other
official of the state of West Virginia, who may be
authorized to serve civil process, to post such notice and
to make return thereof of the fact of such posting to the
commissioner, and any failure of such officer to post any
notice within ten days after he shall have received the
same from the commissioner, without just cause or ex-
cuse, shall constitute a wilful failure or refusal to per-
form a duty required of him by law within the meaning
of section twenty-eight, article five, chapter sixty-one
of the code of West Virginia. Any person actually in-
jured by reason of such failure shall have an action
against said official, and upon any official bond he may
have given, for such damages as such person may actually
have incurred, but not to exceed, in the case of any surety
upon said bond, the amount of the penalty of said bond.

Any official posting said notice as herein required shall
be entitled to the same fee as is now or may hereafter be provided for the service of process in suits instituted in courts of record in the state of West Virginia, which fee shall be paid by the commissioner out of any funds at his disposal, but shall be charged by him against the account of the employer to whose delinquency such notice relates.

CHAPTER 81
(House Bill No. 746—Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one, three, six, six-a, eight-c, fifteen, fifteen-b and sixteen, article four, chapter twenty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to further amend said article four by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-one, all relating to workmen's compensation and occupational pneumoconiosis and to the severability of the provisions of said article.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one, three, six, six-a, eight-c, fifteen, fifteen-b and sixteen, article four, chapter twenty-three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, and that said article four be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-one, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4. DISABILITY AND DEATH BENEFITS.

§23-4-1. To whom compensation fund disbursed; occupational pneumoconiosis and other occupational diseases included in "injury" and "personal injury"; definition of occupational pneumoconiosis and other occupational diseases.

§23-4-3. Schedule of maximum disbursements for medical, surgical, dental and hospital treatment; charges in excess of scheduled amounts not to be made; contract by employer with hospital, physician, etc., prohibited; penalties.

§23-4-6. Classification of disability benefits.
§23-4-6a. Benefits and mode of payment to employees and dependents for occupational pneumoconiosis; further adjustment of claim for occupational pneumoconiosis.

§23-4-8c. Same—Reports and distribution thereof; presumption; findings required of board; objection to findings; procedure thereon.


§23-4-15b. Determination of nonmedical questions by commissioner—Claims for occupational pneumoconiosis; hearing.

§23-4-16. Commissioner's jurisdiction over case continuous; modification of finding or order; time limitation on awards; reimbursement of claimant for expenses.


§23-4-1. To whom compensation fund disbursed; occupational pneumoconiosis and other occupational diseases included in “injury” and “personal injury”; definition of occupational pneumoconiosis and other occupational diseases.

Subject to the provisions and limitations elsewhere in this chapter set forth, the commissioner shall disburse the workmen's compensation fund to the employees of such employers as are not delinquent in the payment of the premiums for the quarter in which the injury occurs, and in case of catastrophe, in addition to the employees next above described, to the employees of employers who have elected, under section nine, article two of this chapter, to make payments into the surplus fund as provided in that section, and which employees shall have received personal injuries in the course of and resulting from their employment in this state, or in temporary employment without the state as provided in section one, article two of this chapter, or to the dependents, if any, of such employees in case death has ensued, according to the provisions hereinafter made; and also for the expenses of the administration of this chapter, as provided in section two, article one of this chapter.

For the purposes of this chapter the terms “injury” and “personal injury” shall include occupational pneumoconiosis and any other occupational disease, as herein-after defined, and the commissioner shall likewise disburse the workmen's compensation fund to the employees of such employers as are not delinquent in the payment of premiums for the last quarter in which such employees...
have been exposed to the hazards of occupational pneumo-
coniosis or other occupational disease, and have con-
tracted occupational pneumoconiosis or other occupa-
tional disease, or have suffered a perceptible aggravation
of an existing pneumoconiosis or other occupational dis-
ease, in this state in the course of and resulting from
their employment, or to the dependents, if any, of such
employees, in case death has ensued, according to the
provisions hereinafter made: Provided, That compensa-
tion shall not be payable for the disease of occupational
pneumoconiosis, or death resulting therefrom, unless the
employee has been exposed to the hazards of occupational
pneumoconiosis in the state of West Virginia over a con-
tinuous period of not less than two years during the
ten years immediately preceding the date of his last
exposure to such hazards. An application for benefits
on account of occupational pneumoconiosis shall set forth
the name of the employer or employers and the time
worked for each, and the commissioner may allocate to
and divide any charges resulting from such claim among
the employers by whom the claimant was employed for
as much as sixty days during the period of three years
immediately preceding the date of last exposure to the
hazards of occupational pneumoconiosis. The allocation
shall be based upon the time and degree of exposure
with each employer.

For the purpose of this chapter disability or death
resulting from occupational pneumoconiosis, as defined
in the immediately succeeding sentence, shall be treated
and compensated as an injury by accident.

Occupational pneumoconiosis is a disease of the lungs
caused by the inhalation of minute particles of dust over
a period of time due to causes and conditions arising out
of and in the course of the employment. The term "occu-
pital pneumoconiosis" shall include, but shall not be
limited to, such diseases as silicosis, anthracosilicosis, coal
worker's pneumoconiosis, commonly known as black lung
or miner's asthma, silico-tuberculosis (silicosis accom-
ppanied by active tuberculosis of the lungs), coal worker's
pneumoconiosis accompanied by active tuberculosis of
the lungs, asbestosis, siderosis, anthrax and any and all
other dust diseases of the lungs and conditions and dis-
ees caused by occupational pneumoconiosis which are
not specifically designated herein meeting the definition
of occupational pneumoconiosis set forth in the immedi-
ately preceding sentence.
X-ray evidence shall not necessarily be held conclusive
insofar as it bears upon the absence of occupational
pneumoconiosis.
For the purpose of this chapter, occupational disease
means a disease incurred in the course of and resulting
from employment. No ordinary disease of life to which
the general public is exposed outside of the employment
shall be compensable except when it follows as an inci-
dent of occupational disease as defined in this chapter.
Except in the case of occupational pneumoconiosis, a
disease shall be deemed to have been incurred in the
course of or to have resulted from the employment only
if it is apparent to the rational mind, upon consideration
of all the circumstances (1) that there is a direct causal
connection between the conditions under which work is
performed and the occupational disease, (2) that it can
be seen to have followed as a natural incident of the work
as a result of the exposure occasioned by the nature of
the employment, (3) that it can be fairly traced to the
employment as the proximate cause, (4) that it does
not come from a hazard to which workmen would have
been equally exposed outside of the employment, (5)
that it is incidental to the character of the business and
not independent of the relation of employer and em-
ployee, and (6) that it must appear to have had its
origin in a risk connected with the employment and to
have flowed from that source as a natural consequence,
though it need not have been foreseen or expected before
its contraction.

Except in the case of silicosis, no award shall be made
under the provisions of this chapter for any occupational
disease contracted prior to the first day of July, one
thousand nine hundred forty-nine. An employee shall
be deemed to have contracted an occupational disease
§23-4-3. Schedule of maximum disbursements for medical, surgical, dental and hospital treatment; charges in excess of scheduled amounts not to be made; contract by employer with hospital, physician, etc., prohibited; penalties.

The commissioner shall establish, and alter from time to time as he may determine to be appropriate, a schedule of the maximum reasonable amounts to be paid to physicians, surgeons, hospitals or other persons, firms or corporations for the rendering of treatment to injured employees under this chapter.

The commissioner shall disburse and pay from the fund for such personal injuries to such employees as may be entitled thereto hereunder as follows:

(a) Such sums for medicines, medical, surgical, dental and hospital treatment, crutches, artificial limbs and such other and additional approved mechanical appliances and devices, as may be reasonably required and as are, in the case of medical, surgical, dental or hospital treatment only, within the maximum amount provided for by schedule established by the commissioner as aforesaid, but not as to any one injured employee in excess of three thousand dollars: Provided, That in special cases where the treatment required, in the opinion of competent medical authority, is such as to necessitate an expenditure in excess of said sum of three thousand dollars, the commissioner may pay out of any available funds such additional sum as may be necessary, but such additional sum shall not be charged to the account of the employer.

(b) Payment for such medicine, medical, surgical, dental and hospital treatment, crutches, artificial limbs and such other and additional approved mechanical appliances and devices authorized under subdivision (a) hereof may be made to the injured employee, or to the person, firm or corporation who or which has rendered
such treatment or furnished any of the items specified above, or who has advanced payment for same, as the commissioner may deem proper, but no such payments or disbursements shall be made or awarded by him unless duly verified statements on forms prescribed by the commissioner shall be filed with the commissioner within one year after the cessation of such treatment or the delivery of such appliances: Provided, however, That no payment hereunder shall be made unless such verified statement shows no charge for or with respect to such treatment or for or with respect to any of the items specified above has been or will be made against the injured employee or any other person, firm or corporation, and when an employee covered under the provisions of this chapter is injured in the course of and as a result of his employment and is accepted for medical, surgical, dental or hospital treatment, the person, firm or corporation rendering such treatment is hereby prohibited from making any charge or charges therefor or with respect thereto against the injured employee or any other person, firm or corporation which would result in a total charge for the treatment rendered in excess of the maximum amount set forth therefor in the commissioner’s schedule established as aforesaid.

(c) No employer shall enter into any contracts with any hospital, its physicians, officers, agents or employees to render medical, dental or hospital service or to give medical or surgical attention therein to any employee for injury compensable within the purview of this chapter, and no employer shall permit or require any employee to contribute, directly or indirectly, to any fund for the payment of such medical, surgical, dental or hospital service within such hospital for such compensable injury. Any employer violating this section shall be liable in damages to his or its employees and shall not avail himself of any of the common-law defenses mentioned in section eight, article two of this chapter, and any employer or hospital or agent or employee thereof violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dol-
lars or undergo imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both.
(d) When an injury has been reported to the commissioner by the employer without protest, the commissioner may pay, or order an employer who or which made the election and who or which received the permission mentioned in section nine, article two of this chapter to pay, within the maximum amount provided by schedule established by the commissioner as aforesaid, bills for medical or hospital services without requiring the injured employee to file an application for benefits.

§23-4-6. Classification of disability benefits.
Where compensation is due an employee under the provisions of this chapter for a personal injury, such compensation shall be as provided in the following schedule:
(a) The expressions “average weekly wage earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date of injury” and “average weekly wage in West Virginia,” as used in this chapter, shall have the meaning and shall be computed as set forth in section fourteen of this article.
(b) If the injury causes temporary total disability, the employee shall receive during the continuance thereof weekly benefits as follows: On and after July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, and through June thirty, one thousand nine hundred seventy, inclusive, the employee shall receive a minimum of twenty-six dollars per week and a maximum weekly benefit to be computed on the basis of sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date of injury, not to exceed forty-five percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia; and on and after July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, the employee shall receive a minimum of not less than twenty-six dollars per week and a maximum of sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly wage earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date
of injury, not to exceed fifty percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia.

(c) Subdivision (b) shall be limited as follows: Aggregate award for a single injury causing temporary disability shall be for a period not exceeding two hundred eight weeks.

(d) If the injury causes permanent disability, the percentage of disability to total disability shall be determined and the award computed and allowed as follows:

On and after July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, and through June thirty, one thousand nine hundred seventy, inclusive, for permanent disability of from one percent to eighty-four percent, inclusive, sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date of injury, not to exceed forty-five percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia, for a period to be computed on the basis of four weeks compensation for each percent of disability determined.

On and after July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, for permanent disability of from one percent to eighty-four percent, inclusive, sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee at the date of injury, not to exceed fifty percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia, for a period to be computed on the basis of four weeks compensation for each percent of disability determined.

On and after July one, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, through June thirty, one thousand nine hundred seventy, inclusive, for a disability of eighty-five percent to one hundred percent, inclusive, sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date of injury, not to exceed forty-five percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia, during the remainder of life.

On and after July one, one thousand nine hundred seventy, for a disability of eighty-five percent to one
hundred percent, inclusive, sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the average weekly earnings, wherever earned, of the injured employee, at the date of injury, not to exceed fifty percent of the average weekly wage in West Virginia, during the remainder of life.

(e) If the injury results in the total loss by severance of any of the members named in this subdivision, the percentage of disability shall be determined in accordance with the following table, and award made as provided in subdivision (d) of this section:

The loss of a great toe shall be considered a ten percent disability.

The loss of a great toe (one phalanx) shall be considered a five percent disability.

The loss of other toes shall be considered a four percent disability.

The loss of other toes (one phalanx) shall be considered a two percent disability.

The loss of all toes shall be considered a twenty-five percent disability.

The loss of forepart of foot shall be considered a thirty percent disability.

The loss of foot shall be considered a thirty-five percent disability.

The loss of a leg shall be considered a forty-five percent disability.

The loss of thigh shall be considered a fifty percent disability.

The loss of thigh at hip joint shall be considered a sixty percent disability.

The loss of a little or fourth finger (one phalanx) shall be considered a three percent disability.

The loss of little or fourth finger shall be considered a five percent disability.

The loss of ring or third finger (one phalanx) shall be considered a three percent disability.

The loss of ring or third finger shall be considered a five percent disability.
The loss of middle or second finger (one phalanx) shall be considered a three percent disability.

The loss of middle or second finger shall be considered a seven percent disability.

The loss of index or first finger (one phalanx) shall be considered a six percent disability.

The loss of index or first finger shall be considered a ten percent disability.

The loss of thumb (one phalanx) shall be considered a twelve percent disability.

The loss of thumb shall be considered a twenty percent disability.

The loss of thumb and index finger shall be considered a thirty-two percent disability.

The loss of index and middle finger shall be considered a twenty percent disability.

The loss of middle and ring finger shall be considered a fifteen percent disability.

The loss of ring and little finger shall be considered a ten percent disability.

The loss of thumb, index and middle finger shall be considered a forty percent disability.

The loss of index, middle and ring finger shall be considered a thirty percent disability.

The loss of middle, ring and little finger shall be considered a twenty percent disability.

The loss of four fingers shall be considered a thirty-two percent disability.

The loss of hand shall be considered a fifty percent disability.

The loss of forearm shall be considered a fifty-five percent disability.

The loss of arm shall be considered a sixty percent disability.

The total and irrecoverable loss of the sight of one eye shall be considered a thirty-three percent disability.

For the partial loss of vision in one, or both eyes, the percentage of disability shall be determined by the commissioner, using as a basis the total loss of one eye.
The total and irrecoverable loss of the hearing of one ear shall be considered a fifteen percent disability, and the injured employee shall be entitled to compensation for a period of sixty weeks. The total and irrecoverable loss of hearing of both ears shall be considered a forty-five percent disability, and the injured employee shall be entitled to compensation for a period of one hundred eighty weeks.

For the partial loss of hearing in one, or both ears, the percentage of disability shall be determined by the commissioner, using as a basis the total loss of hearing in both ears.

(f) Should a claimant to whom has been made a permanent partial award of from one percent to eighty-four percent, both inclusive, die from sickness or non-compensable injury, the unpaid balance of such award shall be paid to claimant's dependents as defined in this chapter, if any; such payment to be made in the same installments that would have been paid to claimant if living: Provided, however, That no payment shall be made to any widow of such claimant after her remarriage, and that this liability shall not accrue to the estate of such claimant and shall not be subject to any debts of, or charges against, such estate.

(g) The award for permanent disabilities intermediate to those fixed by the foregoing schedule and permanent disability of from one percent to eighty-four percent shall be in the same proportion and shall be computed and allowed by the commissioner.

(h) The percentage of all permanent disabilities other than those enumerated in subdivisions (d), (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be determined by the commissioner, and award made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (d).

(i) Compensation payable under any subdivision of this section shall be limited as follows: Not to exceed the maximum weekly benefit specified in subdivision (b) of this section, nor to be less than a minimum of twenty-six dollars a week.

(j) Where an injury results in temporary total disability for which compensation is awarded under sub-
division (b) of this section and such injury is later de-
determined permanent partial disability under subdivision (d), the amount of compensation so paid in excess of fifteen weeks shall be considered as payment of the compensation payable for such injury in accordance with the schedule in subdivision (d): Provided, That in cases where the amount of permanent partial disability is specifically provided for under subdivision (e) of this section, payments made under subdivision (b) shall not be considered as payment of the compensation for such injury. Compensation, either total temporary or permanent partial, under this section shall be payable only to the injured employee and the right thereto shall not vest in his or her estate, except that any unpaid compensation which would have been paid or payable to the employee up to the time of his death, if he had lived, shall be paid to the dependents of such injured employee if there be such dependents at the time of death.

(k) The following permanent disabilities shall be conclusively presumed to be total in character:

- Loss of both eyes or the sight thereof.
- Loss of both hands or the use thereof.
- Loss of both feet or the use thereof.
- Loss of one hand and one foot or the use thereof.

In all other cases permanent disability shall be determined by the commissioner in accordance with the facts in the case, and award made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (d).

(l) A disability which renders the injured employee unable to engage in substantial gainful activity requiring skills or abilities comparable to those of any gainful activity in which he has previously engaged with some regularity and over a substantial period of time shall be considered in determining the issue of total disability.

§23-4-6a. Benefits and mode of payment to employees and dependents for occupational pneumoconiosis; further adjustment of claim for occupational pneumoconiosis.

If an employee is found to be permanently disabled
due to occupational pneumoconiosis, as defined in section one of this article, the percentage of permanent disability shall be determined by the commissioner in accordance with the facts in the case and with the advice and recommendation of the occupational pneumoconiosis board. Compensation shall be paid therefor in the same manner and at the same rate as is provided for permanent disability under the provisions of subdivisions (d), (f), (g), (h), (i), (k) and (l) of the preceding section of this article.

If the employee dies from occupational pneumoconiosis within ten years from the date of his last exposure to such disease, the benefits shall be in the amounts and to the persons provided for in section ten of this article; as to such benefits sections eleven to fourteen, inclusive, of this article shall apply.

In cases of permanent disability or death due to occupational pneumoconiosis, as defined in section one of this article, accompanied by active tuberculosis of the lungs, compensation shall be payable as for disability or death due to occupational pneumoconiosis alone.

The provisions of section sixteen, article four and sections one-a, one-b, one-c and one-d, article five of this chapter providing for the further adjustment of claims shall be applicable to the claim of any claimant who receives a permanent partial disability award for occupational pneumoconiosis.

§23-4-8c. Same—Reports and distribution thereof; presumption; findings required of board; objection to findings; procedure thereon.

(a) The occupational pneumoconiosis board, as soon as practicable, after it has completed its investigation, shall make its written report, to the commissioner, of its findings and conclusions on every medical question in controversy, and the commissioner shall send one copy thereof to the employee or claimant and one copy to the employer, and the board shall also return to and file with the commissioner all the evidence, as well as all state-
ments under oath, if any, of the persons who appeared
before it on behalf of the employee or claimant, or em-
ployer and also all medical reports and X-ray exam-
inations produced by or on behalf of the employee or
claimant, or employer.

(b) If it can be shown that the claimant or deceased
employee has been exposed to the hazard of inhaling
minute particles of dust in the course of and resulting
from his employment for a period of ten years during
the fifteen years immediately preceding the date of his
last exposure to such hazard and that such claimant or
deceased employee has sustained a chronic respiratory
disability, then it shall be presumed that such claimant
is suffering or such deceased employee was suffering at
the time of his death from occupational pneumoconiosis
which arose out of and in the course of his employment.
This presumption shall not be conclusive.

(c) The findings and conclusions of the board shall
set forth, among other things, the following:

(1) Whether or not the claimant or the deceased
employee has contracted occupational pneumoconiosis,
and, if so, the percentage of permanent disability result-
ing therefrom.

(2) Whether or not the exposure in the employment
was sufficient to have caused the claimant's or deceased
employee's occupational pneumoconiosis or to have per-
ceptibly aggravated an existing occupational pneumo-
coniosis, or other occupational disease.

(3) What, if any, physician appeared before the board
on behalf of the claimant or employer, and what, if any,
medical evidence was produced by or on behalf of the
claimant or employer.

If either party objects to the whole or any part of such
findings and conclusions of the board, he shall file with
the commissioner, within thirty days of the mailing of
such copy to him, unless for good cause shown the com-
missioner extends such time, his objections thereto in
writing, specifying the particular statements of the board's
findings and conclusions to which he objects. After the
time has expired for the filing of objections to the find-
ings and conclusions of the board, the commissioner shall
proceed to act as provided in this chapter. If after the
time has expired for the filing of objections to the find-
ings and conclusions of the board no objections have
been filed, the report of a majority of the board of its
findings and conclusions on any medical question shall
be taken to be plenary and conclusive evidence of the
findings and conclusions therein stated. If objection has
been filed to the findings and conclusions of the board,
notice thereof shall be given to the board, and the mem-
bers thereof joining in such findings and conclusions
shall appear at the time fixed by the commissioner for
the hearing to submit to examination and cross-exam-
ination in respect to such findings and conclusions. At
such hearing evidence to support or controvert the find-
ings and conclusions of the board shall be limited to
examination and cross-examination of the members of
the board, and to the taking of testimony of other quali-
fied physicians and roentgenologists.

§23-4-15. Application for benefits; report of injuries by em-
ployer.

To entitle any employee or dependent of a deceased em-
ployee to compensation under this chapter, other than for
occupational pneumoconiosis or other occupational dis-
ease, the application therefor must be made on the form
or forms prescribed by the commissioner and filed in the
office of the commissioner within one year from and after
the injury or death, as the case may be, and all proofs
of dependency in fatal cases must likewise be filed with
the commissioner within one year from and after the
death. In case the employee is mentally or physically
incapable of filing such application, it may be filed by
his attorney or by a member of his family. It shall be
the duty of every employer to report to the commissioner
every injury sustained by any person in his employ. Such
report shall be on forms prescribed by the commissioner
and shall be made within sixty days from the date the
employer first receives knowledge of such injury.

To entitle any employee to compensation for occupa-
tional pneumoconiosis under the provisions hereof, the
application therefor must be made on the form or forms
prescribed by the commissioner and filed in the office of
the commissioner within three years from and after the
last day of the last continuous period of sixty days or
more during which the employee was exposed to the
hazards of occupational pneumoconiosis or within one
year from and after the employee's occupational pneumo-
coniosis was made known to him by a physician or which
he should reasonably have known, whichever shall last
occur, or, in the case of death, the application shall be
filed as aforesaid by the dependent of such employee
within one year from and after such employee's death.

To entitle any employee to compensation for occupa-
tional disease other than occupational pneumoconiosis
under the provisions hereof, the application therefor must
be made on the form or forms prescribed by the commis-
sioner and filed in the office of the commissioner within
three years from and after the day on which the em-
ployee was last exposed to the particular occupational
hazard involved, or, in the case of death, the application
shall be filed as aforesaid by the dependent of such em-
ployee within one year from and after such employee's
death.

§23-4-15b. Determination of nonmedical questions by commis-
sioner—Claims for occupational pneumoconiosis; hear-
ing.

If a claim for occupational pneumoconiosis benefits be
filed by an employee within three years from and after
the last day of the last continuous period of sixty days
exposure to the hazards of occupational pneumoconiosis,
the commissioner shall determine whether the claimant
was exposed to the hazards of occupational pneumoconi-
osis for a continuous period of not less than sixty days
while in the employ of the employer within three years
prior to the filing of his claim, whether in the state of
West Virginia the claimant was exposed to such hazard
over a continuous period of not less than two years
during the ten immediately preceding the date of his
last exposure thereto and whether the claimant was
exposed to such hazard over a period of not less than
ten years during the fifteen years immediately pre-
ceeding the date of his last exposure thereto. If a claim
for occupational pneumoconiosis benefits be filed by a
dependent of a deceased employee, the commissioner
shall determine whether the deceased employee was ex-
posed to the hazards of occupational pneumoconiosis for a
continuous period of not less than sixty days while in
the employ of the employer within ten years prior to
the filing of the claim, whether in the state of West
Virginia the deceased employee was exposed to such
hazard over a continuous period of not less than two
years during the ten years immediately preceding the
date of his last exposure thereto and whether the claimant
was exposed to such hazard over a period of not less than
ten years during the fifteen years immediately preceding
the date of his last exposure thereto. The commissioner
shall also determine such other nonmedical facts as may
in his opinion be pertinent to a decision on the validity
of the claim.

The commissioner shall give each interested party
notice in writing of his findings with respect to all such
nonmedical facts and such findings shall be subject to
objection and hearing as provided in section one, article
five of this chapter.

§23-4-16. Commissioner's jurisdiction over case continuous;
modification of finding or order; time limitation on
awards; reimbursement of claimant for expenses.

The power and jurisdiction of the commissioner over
each case shall be continuing and he may from time to
time, after due notice to the employer, make such modi-
fications or changes with respect to former findings or
orders as may be justified: Provided, however, That no
further award may be made in fatal cases arising after
March seventh, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine,
except within two years after the death of the employee,
or in case of nonfatal injuries, on and after March
seventh, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, ex-
cept within three years after payments for temporary
disability shall have ceased or not more than two times
within five years after the commissioner shall have made
the last payment in any permanent disability case: And
provided further, That no such modification or change
may be made in any case in which no award has been
made, except within three years after the date of injury.
If any case in which an injured employee shall make
application for a further adjustment of his claim, if
such application be in writing and filed within the applica-
able time limit as prescribed herein, the commissioner
shall pass upon and determine the merits of such appli-
cation within thirty days after the filing thereof.

If any case in which an injured employee shall make
application for a further adjustment of his claim, if
such application be in writing and filed within the applica-
able time limit as prescribed herein, the commissioner
shall pass upon and determine the merits of such appli-
cation within thirty days after the filing thereof.


If any provision of this article or the application thereof
to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or
invalid, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not
affect other provisions or applications of the article, and
to this end the provisions of this article are declared to
be severable.

CHAPTER 82

(House Bill No. 759—By Mr. Nelson, of Cabell)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]
CABELL COUNTY YOUTH CENTER

That sections two, four, five and six, chapter one hundred seventy-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-nine, as last amended and reenacted by chapter two hundred, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

CABELL COUNTY YOUTH CENTER.

§2. Board of supervisors; composition; how elected; terms of members; reimbursement of expenses; qualifications; removal; oath; organization; powers.

§4. Foster homes division.

§5. Recreation division; recreational facilities; operating personnel.

§6. Estimate of construction, maintenance and operating costs; county court to provide funds; payment of expenses; special fund; gifts and bequests.

§2. Board of supervisors; composition; how elected; terms of members; reimbursement of expenses; qualifications; removal; oath; organization; powers.

1 The Cabell county youth center and its integral parts shall be governed by a board known as the board of supervisors of the Cabell county youth center, and which said board of supervisors shall be created as herein-after set forth, for the purpose of establishing, constructing buildings and making land improvements, equipping, developing, operating, financing, administering and managing said youth center and its integral parts.

10 The board of supervisors shall consist of twelve regular members elected one by and from each of the following organizations: Huntington ministerial association; Cabell county medical association; Cabell county bar association; county court of Cabell county; Huntington district labor council; womens interclub council; Cabell county parent-teachers association; Cabell county board of education; family services, inc.; Ona parent-
teachers association; Cabell county department of welfare; and the juvenile division of the Huntington police department.

The terms of the first four hereinabove named shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three; the terms of the second group of four hereinabove named shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred sixty-four; and the terms of all the remaining members hereinabove named shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five. Upon the expiration of the terms specifically set out hereinabove, each person thereafter shall be appointed for a term of three years, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was chosen, shall be chosen only for the remainder of such term. Members shall be eligible to succeed themselves.

The mayor of the city of Huntington, or someone designated by him, the mayors of the towns of Barboursville and Milton, the sheriff of Cabell county, or a deputy sheriff designated by him, and the Cabell county agricultural agent shall be ex officio members of said board of supervisors with voting privileges equal to that of each and every other member.

The board of supervisors shall serve without compensation except they may be reimbursed for any expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Each regular member of the board of supervisors shall be a bona fide citizen and resident of said county and any regular member thereof who shall cease to be a bona fide citizen and resident of said county shall thereby be disqualified as a member of the board, and his office shall thereupon become vacant.

Any regular member of the board of supervisors may be removed from office for dishonesty, incompetency or neglect of duty in office in the same manner and for the same reasons as, by the constitution and statutes of this state, are made and provided for the removal of general county officers.
Prior to entering upon their duties each member of the board of supervisors shall take an oath in writing to support the constitution of the United States and of the state of West Virginia and to faithfully perform the duties of a member of said board. Said oaths shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county court of Cabell county.

The board shall designate one of its members as president, another as vice president, and shall select a secretary from the board membership or otherwise. It shall fix the time and place of its meetings and six members present shall constitute a quorum.

The board of supervisors shall provide for the employment of an executive director whose duties shall be to execute the orders of the board of supervisors and direct the overall management of the youth center. The board shall also have the power to employ and fix the compensation of any and all persons as in its opinion may be necessary for the operation, maintenance, administration and management of the property under its control, limited however, by the authority vested in the West Virginia department of welfare by section four hereof, and limited further by the appropriation of funds for such purposes by the county court of Cabell county. The board of supervisors shall have the power to make rules and regulations and to enforce same, as may be necessary for the management and control of the youth center and each of its integral parts.

§4. Foster homes division.

The foster homes division of the Cabell county youth center shall be erected and maintained at the Cabell county farm at Ona, West Virginia, as homes for Cabell county children who are orphans, homeless, neglected or deserted, or who, if permitted to run ungoverned or undisciplined, are apt to become delinquent, and which said children are within the age prescribed by the statutes of this state for juveniles.

The board of supervisors of the Cabell county youth center with the approval of the Cabell county court,
is authorized to erect and maintain at said farm sufficient cottages and of capacity to comfortably house the aforementioned juveniles. Each cottage when children are housed therein shall have as "cottage parents" a husband and wife team in charge, both of whom shall be persons of good moral character, experienced in child care, having proper understanding of children and temperamentally fit to care and rear them. Each cottage shall be conducted comparable to a well ordered home, with proper supervision and understanding discipline maintained by the "cottage parents". The children therein housed shall be treated as members of a well ordered family where there is proper intellectual, physical, spiritual and exemplary moral training. Each child shall be given a home therein so long as its need therefor exists and it remains a juvenile or until a satisfactory permanent home has been found or it is placed for adoption.

The foster homes division shall be made available for any and all Cabell county children now or hereafter to be under the control of the state or county department of welfare.

Both the West Virginia department of welfare and the Cabell county department of welfare may recommend for admittance to the foster homes division any juvenile that is in the custody or under the care of the department. Upon receipt of the department's recommendation, the board of supervisors shall determine whether the juvenile is to be placed in the foster homes division.

For the support and maintenance of the children placed in said foster homes division by the departments of welfare, they shall contribute according to the institutional formula used for payment by the departments in other counties of the state. The money so contributed shall be paid to the county court of Cabell county and by that court set aside for the use of said foster homes division.

The "cottage parents" and all other personnel required for the efficient operation of said cottages in
which children are maintained shall be carefully selected by the board of supervisors. Said "cottage parents" shall be responsible for the supervision and training of all the children committed to their care; for keeping them in school during school terms and hours; for teaching them to do a reasonable amount of work, and for making each cottage as nearly self-supporting as possible.

The children residing in said foster homes shall be required, when within school age, and when their health and physical condition permits, to attend the public schools. The board of education of said county shall make provisions for them in the public school at Ona, West Virginia, or if any one or more of them be in a grade higher than is taught at Ona, then provision therefor shall be made in a school wherein such grade is taught.

Complete supervision of the foster homes division together with the employment and discharge of any and all personnel including "cottage parents" shall be under the board of supervisors. The salary of each person so employed shall be reasonable and be determined by the board, and when approved by the said board of supervisors shall be certified for payment as is provided in section six hereof. In the submission by the board of supervisors of the estimate of all monetary needs of the Cabell county youth center to the county court as provided in section six hereof, the board shall include all reasonable monetary needs of the foster homes division for the next fiscal year, said estimate shall cover all anticipated costs for services for all employees and personnel employed in the reasonable operation of said foster homes, and all other reasonable expenses incident thereto.

§5. Recreation division; recreational facilities; operating personnel.

The board of supervisors is authorized to maintain a place for recreation for the youth of Cabell county at the Cabell county farm at Ona, West Virginia. The board is hereby authorized to erect, at said farm, such
playgrounds, swimming pools, tennis courts, ball parks, golf courses, and such other facilities as to the board may seem advisable, where Cabell county youth may assemble, for play, sport, entertainment, recreation or instruction. The board is also authorized to erect and maintain as the needs require, cottages, assembly halls, kitchens, mess halls, and camping quarters, which may be leased at terms and rates as to the board may appear proper. It is the intent hereof to provide a place for assembly of youth groups from churches, scouts, clubs or any other worthy youth organizations, for purposes hereinabove set out and to the end that the recreation division may be used as a preventive of delinquency in youth and for the building of strong bodies and strong characters.

The board of supervisors is authorized to employ a camp manager and such other personnel as may be required to operate said facilities and to the end that the greatest possible value may accrue to youth and that same may be as nearly self-supporting as possible. The manager and personnel shall be answerable to the board and under the direct supervision of the executive director.

§6. Estimate of construction, maintenance and operating costs; county court to provide funds; payment of expenses; special fund; gifts and bequests.

The board of supervisors shall annually prepare and submit to the county court of Cabell county, in advance of the levy term of said court, an estimate of all the monetary needs of the Cabell county youth center and each of its integral parts, for the next fiscal year, said estimate shall cover anticipated costs for construction, maintenance and operation of buildings, and all anticipated expenses relative to the operation of said youth center for the ensuing fiscal year. The county court of Cabell county shall receive said estimate and may provide in the annual budget of the county, for the reasonable requirements of said youth center as set forth in said estimate and for each of its divisions. No obligations shall be incurred or debts contracted by the board of
supervisors in excess of said budget, without prior con-
sent of the county court.

All current expenses for salaries, supplies and such
other things as are required for the efficient operation
of the said youth center, including construction costs,
shall be certified for payment at the end of each calendar
month to the county court of Cabell county by the presi-
dent and secretary of the board of supervisors, in writing,
and signed by each of them. Thereupon the county court
shall cause same to be paid out of the separate fund
created for said Cabell county youth center, and other-
wise to be paid in the same manner as general current
county expenses are paid.

The county court of Cabell county shall have the power
and authority to transfer moneys from inactive funds,
special unused funds, or the general county fund to
a separate fund for the use of the Cabell county youth
center, as needs may require. The county court of Cabell
county is further authorized and empowered to receive
and expend for the purposes herein provided, gifts, be-
quests and donations from any person, corporation, firm
or association.

CHAPTER 83
(Senate Bill No. 11—By Mr. Martin)

[Passed February 12, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]}

AN ACT to provide a stable method of financing the operation
of the Martinsburg public library, Berkeley county, West
Virginia, organized under chapter ten, article one of the
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-
one, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

MARTINSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY.
§1. Levies by county court, county board of education and city of
Martinsburg to support Martinsburg public library.
§2. Disbursements.
§3. Status of employees.
§4. Effect of future amendments of general law.
§5. Severability.

§1. Levies by county court, county board of education and city of Martinsburg to support Martinsburg public library.

In order to provide for the support, maintenance, and operation of the Martinsburg public library, Berkeley county, West Virginia, and any and all branches thereof, the Berkeley county board of education, the Berkeley county court and the city of Martinsburg, hereinafter described as the supporting agencies, shall, upon written request by the board of directors of the Martinsburg public library, levy annually on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of the property taxable according to the last assessment for state and county purposes, amounts as follows: By the board of education of the county of Berkeley, Class I, one-half cent; Class II, one cent; Class III, two cents; Class IV, two cents; by the county court of Berkeley county, Class I, one-half cent; Class II, one cent; Class III, two cents; Class IV, two cents; and by the city of Martinsburg, Class I, one-half cent; Class II, one cent; Class IV, two cents.

Each year the board of directors shall request each of the three supporting agencies to levy within the above rates on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of property of the same class, and each of the three supporting agencies shall levy within the rates aforesaid. In addition, each supporting agency may contribute to the public library any other general or specific revenues or excess levies. All income realized by the operation of the public library from any sources other than the above levies shall be used by the board of directors for the support and maintenance of the public library.

§2. Disbursements.

All money collected or appropriated by the three supporting agencies for library purposes shall be deposited in a bank account as directed by the library board of directors and disbursed by it for salaries, wages, books, other library materials such as magazines, pamphlets,
papers, works of art, records, also machinery, equipment, supply services and other cost and expenses of operating a public library and maintaining, repairing, improving and replacing its property as well as acquiring additional property.

§3. Status of employees.

All employees of the Martinsburg public library shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of chapter twenty-three and of articles seven and ten of chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended.

§4. Effect of future amendments of general law.

Amendments to article one, chapter ten of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and other general laws shall not control this act except to the extent that they do not conflict with the special features hereof, or unless the intent to amend this act is clear, specific and unmistakable.

§5. Severability.

If any provision hereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions hereof which can be given effect without the invalid provision, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

CHAPTER 84

(House Bill No. 630—By Mr. Keesoeker)

[Passed February 11, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact chapter one hundred seventy-seven, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, empowering the county court of Morgan county to appropriate and contribute county funds toward the support and maintenance of the "Morgan County Library", located on state property at Berkeley Springs in the county of Morgan.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter one hundred seventy-seven, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

MORGAN COUNTY LIBRARY.

§1. Morgan county court authorized to contribute county funds for support and maintenance of library.

1 The county court of Morgan county, West Virginia, as an aid to education in said county, is hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate and pay out of the general county fund, a sum equal to three and one-half percent of the yearly budget of said county court as submitted annually toward the support and maintenance of the Morgan county library, located at Berkeley Springs in said county.

CHAPTER 85

(House Bill No. 603—By Mr. Grewe and Mr. Stamp)

[Passed January 29, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact chapter two hundred, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, as last amended by chapter one hundred seventy-nine, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, relating to the authority of the board of commissioners of the county of Ohio to use all or part of debt levies, not required for bonded indebtedness, for the purpose of the construction, equipment and maintenance of an airport, and for the construction, equipment and maintenance of any county building.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter two hundred, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, as last amended and reenacted by chapter one hundred seventy-nine, acts of
the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-five, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**OHIO COUNTY AIRPORT AND COUNTY BUILDINGS.**

§1. Board of commissioners of the county of Ohio authorized to lay an additional levy, and to use proceeds therefrom for construction and maintenance of an airport and county buildings.

§2. Inconsistent acts repealed.

§1. Board of commissioners of the county of Ohio authorized to lay an additional levy, and to use proceeds therefrom for construction and maintenance of an airport and county buildings.

1 For a period of five years commencing with the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy—one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, in addition to the levies heretofore authorized to be laid by county courts for general county current expense, and for the payment of interest and sinking fund requirements on bonded indebtedness incurred subsequent to the passage of the tax levy limitation amendment, the board of commissioners of the county of Ohio is hereby authorized and empowered to lay such additional levy as may not be required for bonded indebtedness, on all of the property in Ohio county, but not to exceed four and nine-tenths cents on each one hundred dollars' assessed valuation on Class I property; nine and eight-tenths cents on Class II property, and nineteen and six-tenths cents on Classes III and IV property. The proceeds of said levy shall be placed in a separate fund designated "public improvement fund," to be used solely for the construction, equipment, and maintenance of an airport, and for the construction, equipment and maintenance of any county building.

§2. Inconsistent acts repealed.

1 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict herewith, insofar as the same may be applicable to the county of Ohio, or the said board of commissioners of the county of Ohio, are hereby repealed.
RESOLUTIONS

(Only resolutions of general interest adopted by the Legislature are included in this volume.)

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22
(By Messrs. Myles and Toney and Miss Crandall)

[Adopted January 31, 1970]

Opposing the approval of construction of water storage facilities on the New River in the states of North Carolina and Virginia pending further comprehensive studies.

WHEREAS, The New River in West Virginia is a unique and irreplaceable scenic and recreational resource that is enjoyed by hundreds of thousands of West Virginians and nonresident tourists each year; and

WHEREAS, The State Department of Natural Resources in cooperation with the United States Army Corps of Engineers has determined by means of a flow study undertaken in the New River below Bluestone Dam at Hinton, West Virginia, that flows in excess of four thousand cubic feet of water per second will seriously alter and possibly eliminate recreational activities upon the river, including boating, swimming and fishing as well as aquatic life propagation; and

WHEREAS, The ecology of this valuable resource is now threatened by the proposed construction of water control facilities in the states of North Carolina and Virginia under an application now pending before the Federal Power Commission and known as Project No. 2317, Blue Ridge Hydroelectric and Pumped Storage Project; and

WHEREAS, Such project calls for release of an average flow into the New River throughout the recreational season in a volume which will alter the flow and temperature of the New River so as to drastically reduce West Virginia’s recreation in excess of one hundred miles of the stream; and

WHEREAS, The ruling of the Federal Power Commission’s presiding examiner dated October 1, 1969, favors furtherance
of the Blue Ridge Project although ultimate approval rests with the Commission itself; and

WHEREAS, It appears that no effort has been made by the United States Department of the Interior to study the potentially drastic effect this project will have on the lower New River valley nor has any such information been brought to the attention of the Federal Power Commission; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That this body opposes the initial report of the presiding examiner of the Federal Power Commission recommending that a license be granted for the Blue Ridge Project No. 2317; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the granting of a license for this project be withheld until such time as the United States Department of the Interior can make available to the Federal Power Commission the findings of a detailed study of the effect of the Blue Ridge Project upon the riparian State of West Virginia, request for which study is hereby made, and that assurances be given through project modifications that the natural features of the New River will be preserved; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates is hereby directed to send copies of this resolution to the appropriate officials of the United States Department of the Interior and the Federal Power Commission.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26
(By Mr. Nelson, of Cabell, and Mr. Lohr)
[Adopted February 5, 1970]

Conveying the extreme concern of the conservationists, citizens and Legislature of the State of West Virginia because of actions taken by the United States Forest Service under the direction of the Department of Agriculture of the United States concerning clear-cutting in the national forest lands located within the State of West Virginia, and creating a special commission to study, evaluate and report to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance on this problem.
WHEREAS, The increasing use of clear-cutting of national forest lands located within the State of West Virginia could possibly cause erosion, flooding and other major catastrophes and may be detrimental to the other uses of the forest such as outdoor recreation, wild life, fishing, hunting and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, It has not been satisfactorily demonstrated to the conservationists, citizens and Legislature of the State of West Virginia that clear-cutting of national forest lands in West Virginia is a totally valuable and wise forest management policy in keeping with the conservation objectives of this State and with the goals of President Richard M. Nixon's National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; and

WHEREAS, Until it is conclusively determined that the clear-cutting of West Virginia National Forests is a truly beneficial and constructive conservation policy; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Legislature of West Virginia hereby expresses its extreme concern with the United States Forest Service's policy of permitting the clear-cutting of the national forests located within the State of West Virginia, particularly the Gauley Ranger District, Otter Creek, the Cranberry Back Country and the Greenbrier District; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Legislature of West Virginia respectfully requests that the Honorable Clifford M. Hardin, Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, immediately order a suspension in letting clear-cutting contracts in the national forests located within the State of West Virginia, particularly the Gauley Ranger District, Otter Creek, the Cranberry Back Country and the Greenbrier District, until the special commission created by this resolution has completed its study and made its report as provided below; and, be it

Further Resolved, That a special Commission to be known as the "Forest Management Practices Commission," composed of five members of the Senate to be appointed by the President thereof, no more than three of whom shall be appointed from the same political party, one of whom the President shall designate as cochairman, and five members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker thereof, no more
than three of whom shall be appointed from the same political party, one of whom the Speaker shall designate as cochairman, and four persons residing within the State who must be knowledgeable in the fields of conservation and forestry, two of whom shall be appointed by the President of the Senate and two of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, is hereby created to conduct a comprehensive study of, and ascertain and evaluate all information relating to the effects of clear-cutting of the national forest lands located within the State of West Virginia, particularly the Gauley Ranger District, Otter Creek, the Cranberry Back Country and the Greenbrier District, and submit its findings and recommendations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance no later than August 1, 1970.

That the President and Speaker shall make their appointments no later than February 12, 1970.

That the Commission is hereby expressly authorized to meet with officials of the United States Forest Service and the West Virginia Congressional Delegation and to personally survey national forests within West Virginia and to travel as necessary for this purpose; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct the study and to prepare a report be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates be directed to cause copies of this resolution to be forwarded to the Honorable Clifford M. Hardin, Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, to the Chief of the United States Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and to each member of the West Virginia Congressional delegation.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31
(By Mr. Nelson, of Kanawha)
[Adopted January 31, 1970]

Directing the West Virginia state board of investments to examine the federal program designed to guarantee stu-
dent loans and expressing the hope of the Legislature in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Investment in student loans, guaranteed by the federal government, by the State Board of Investments would allow more students to participate in this loan program; and

WHEREAS, Such participation would enable West Virginia youth to secure a better education; and

WHEREAS, The rate of return on investments in student loans guaranteed by the federal government is greater than the rate of return now secured by the board; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the West Virginia State Board of Investments examine the federal program designed to guarantee student loans and give consideration to the possibility of investing in federally guaranteed student loans, it being the hope of the Legislature that the State Board of Investments will invest in federally guaranteed student loans if said board determines that such investment would be consistent with the standards established in section twelve, article six, chapter twelve of the Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37
(By Mr. Shaffer and Mr. Edgar)

[Adopted January 22, 1970]

Commending our fighting men in Vietnam; their valor, their self-sacrifice, their service to the State and Nation.

WHEREAS, Our country has for many years been engaged in an agonizing armed conflict in Vietnam and has once again called upon its youth to serve the Nation in war; and

WHEREAS, The young men of West Virginia have bravely answered their country's call, contributing greatly, both in number and in valor; and

WHEREAS, The people of the State, saddened by their many relatives and friends that have been lost, wounded or killed
in Vietnam, are nevertheless proud of the courage and service that West Virginia soldiers and sailors are contributing to the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, The West Virginia servicemen in Vietnam strengthen and reassert the State motto that "Mountaineers Are Always Free"; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Legislature of the State of West Virginia, on behalf of the people of the State, does hereby express its gratitude and commendation to all West Virginians, in each branch of the Armed Services, who are now fighting in Vietnam; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Legislature also expresses its sympathy to the relatives and friends of killed or wounded West Virginia servicemen, to whom the people of this State, and of this Nation, owe so much.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

(By Miss Crandall and Mrs. Withrow)

[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Department of Mental Health, through its Division of Alcoholism, to be responsible for initiating the development of a core staff for the planning and implementation of programs in education, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation in the field of drug abuse.

WHEREAS, The alarming increase in the abuse of drugs by all age groups is becoming daily more apparent; and

WHEREAS, There has recently been evidence of increasing instances of drug abuse within the State of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, The federal government has recently enacted legislation on this problem, which will provide a supplementary resource to citizens of West Virginia and will therefore necessitate development of programs within the State which can be effectively correlated with such federal programs; and
WHEREAS, There is evidence that in many instances misuse of drugs is directly related to misuse of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, There is also evidence that drug abuse problems are similar in nature to the problems of alcoholism; and

WHEREAS, The deteriorating effects of immoderate and immature use of drugs are borne by society at large, not just the individual user; and

WHEREAS, The Division of Alcoholism of the West Virginia Department of Mental Health has been charged by law with the responsibility for development of programs in education, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation in the field of alcoholism and has developed specific staff and expertise for the implementation of such programs which have been successfully carried out for six years; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Department of Mental Health of the State of West Virginia, through its Division of Alcoholism, is hereby charged with the responsibility of initiating the development of a core staff for the planning and implementation of programs in education, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation in the field of drug abuse; and, be it

Further Resolved, That a report relative to such planning and implementation be submitted to the one thousand nine hundred seventy-one session of the West Virginia Legislature for its consideration.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 63
(By Mr. Seibert)

[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Approving the issuance of additional revenue bonds for the State Building Commission of West Virginia in an amount not to exceed nine million dollars for the purpose of acquiring land for the construction of new State office buildings and parking facilities and for the construction, equipping and furnishing of the same and for the plans and specifications necessary and incidental thereto.
WHEREAS, Article six, Chapter five of the Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, creating the State Building Commission of West Virginia and prescribing its powers, responsibilities and duties, provides that no bonds or obligations may be issued in accordance with its provisions unless and until the Legislature by concurrent resolution has approved the purpose and amount of each separate project; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the issuance of additional revenue bonds by the State Building Commission of West Virginia in an amount not to exceed nine million dollars is hereby approved by the Legislature for the purpose of acquiring the necessary land for the construction of new State office buildings and parking facilities, and for the purpose of constructing, equipping and furnishing a Center for Science and Culture including an Archives and History Building; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the purpose for which said additional revenue bonds are to be issued is likewise hereby approved; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates transmit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State of the State of West Virginia, the designated Secretary of the State Building Commission of West Virginia.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80
(Originating in the Committee on Rules)

[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance and the Commission on Interstate Cooperation to make certain studies.

WHEREAS, Certain studies referred to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance and the Commission on Interstate Cooperation by prior sessions of the Legislature have not been completed and require additional study; and
WHEREAS, There are additional matters that require comprehensive study and the development of factual information in order for the Legislature to take proper action at its 1971 regular session; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the studies authorized by the following resolutions be continued and that all provisions thereof, except as to the time for reports to be made to the Legislature, shall be continued in force:

1. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11, adopted regular session, 1957, and last continued by Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to institutions of higher education;

2. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 15, adopted regular session, 1968, and continued by Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to a highway safety program;

3. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 18, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to private school standards;

4. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 27, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to the Uniform Consumer Credit Code;

5. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 29, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to county employees;

6. House Concurrent Resolution No. 6, adopted first extraordinary session, 1969, relating to civil service;

7. House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, adopted regular session, 1968, and continued by Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to the Potomac River Basin Compact;

8. House Concurrent Resolution No. 20, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to nonpublic school and college aid;

9. House Concurrent Resolution No. 31, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to the tax structure of West Virginia;

10. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22, adopted regular session, 1969, relating to mental health and public institutions; and, be it
Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance conduct a comprehensive study of Titles 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 and all West Virginia statutes relating to the health and safety of persons working in the coal mining industry in order to bring the West Virginia statutes into required compliance with the provisions and standards required by the Federal Act; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance be and hereby is directed to study the subject of public employer-employee relations, and that the Joint Committee be authorized to receive the aid and advice of a citizens advisory committee, that the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the President of the Senate each be authorized to appoint five citizens of the State to create a ten member citizens advisory committee to aid and advise the Joint Committee in this study, and that the members of this citizens advisory committee shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary travel expense incurred in connection therewith; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance make a study of all waters within the State, these waters being one of the State's self-perpetuating, self-replenishing natural resources used and enjoyed by the public, for the purpose of determining how to conserve, utilize, control and derive maximum benefit therefrom for the public; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance conduct a study of the need, desirability and feasibility of an additional consumers sales tax on meals and lodging; and, be it

Further Resolved, That all reports, together with findings, conclusions, recommendations, and any proposed drafts of legislation, be made to the Legislature at its regular session, 1971; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such studies, to prepare reports and to draft any proposed legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.
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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 86
(Originating in the Committee on Banking and Insurance)
[Adopted February 12, 1970]
Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to conduct a study of the banking laws of the State of West Virginia, with particular reference to branch banking.

WHEREAS, For many years the subject of branch banking in this State has caused much controversy; and

WHEREAS, It has been questioned whether the establishing of branch banking in West Virginia would enhance the economic structure of this State and whether it would be beneficial to the citizens as well as to the business and industrial growth in this State; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance conduct a study of the banking laws of this State, including the feasibility and advisability of establishing branch banks, mergers and holding companies and to report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of proposed legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such studies, to prepare a report and to draft proposed legislation be paid from appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88
(Originating in the Committee on Finance)
[Adopted February 12, 1970]
Declaring the support and encouragement by the Legislature that the blind and severely handicapped residents of this State be given the opportunity by the State Building Commission of West Virginia to provide, maintain and operate food and beverage concessions in the new State office buildings.

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of West Virginia to encourage and enable blind and severely handicapped persons
to participate fully in the social and economic life of the State and to engage in remunerative employment; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of West Virginia that blind and severely handicapped persons be employed in the State service, the service of the political subdivisions of the State, in the public schools, and in all other employment supported in whole or in part by public funds on the same terms and conditions as persons without such disabilities; and

WHEREAS, It has been the policy of the State to furnish without cost corridor space in State office buildings to the blind and severely handicapped for the operation of food and drink concessions; and

WHEREAS, There is reason to believe that the State Building Commission of West Virginia is considering contracting with an out-of-state vending machine company to provide food and beverages by vending machines in the new State office buildings; and

WHEREAS, There are fifteen handicapped persons who will be employed if given the opportunity to operate the food and beverage concessions in the new State office buildings, and there are also thirty-eight blind persons who are employed in this same type of employment who will benefit from this employment; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the State Building Commission of West Virginia be advised that the members of the Legislature support and encourage continuance of the policy of this State in allowing blind and severely handicapped persons to operate food and beverage concessions in the new State office buildings.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)

[Adopted February 9, 1970]

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State, amending section four, article seven thereof, relating to the eligibility of the Governor to serve two terms.
Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia, two thirds of all the members elected to each House agreeing thereto:

That the question of ratification or rejection of an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia be submitted to the voters of the State at the next general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amendment is that section four, article seven thereof be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

§4. Eligibility.

None of the executive officers mentioned in this article shall hold any other office during the term of his service. A person who has been elected or who has served as Governor during all or any part of two consecutive terms shall be ineligible for the office of Governor during any part of the term immediately following the second of the two consecutive terms. The person holding the office of Governor when this section is ratified shall not be prevented from holding the office of Governor during the term immediately following the term he is then serving.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6

(By Mr. Myles and Mr. Files)

[Adopted February 11, 1970]

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State, amending section five, article twelve thereof, relating to support of free schools, and repealing section two, article ten thereof, relating to capitation tax.

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia, two thirds of all the members elected to each House agreeing thereto:

That the question of ratification or rejection of an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia be submitted to the voters of the State at the next general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amendment is that section two, article ten be
repealed, and that section five, article twelve be amended to read as follows:

**ARTICLE XII. EDUCATION.**

§5. Support of free schools.

The Legislature shall provide for the support of free schools by appropriating thereto the interest of the invested "school fund", the net proceeds of all forfeitures and fines accruing to this State under the laws thereof and by general taxation of persons and property or otherwise. It shall also provide for raising in each county or district, by the authority of the people thereof, such a proportion of the amount required for the support of free schools therein as shall be prescribed by general laws.

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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8**

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State, amending sections thirteen, eighteen, twenty-two, twenty-four and thirty-three, article six, and sections fourteen and fifteen, article seven thereof, relating to eligibility to seat in the Legislature, time and place of assembly of Legislature, length of legislative session, rules governing legislative proceedings, compensation and expenses of members, presentation of bills to the Governor and the Governor's approval or disapproval of bills.

_Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia, two thirds of all the members elected to each House agreeing thereto:_

That the question of ratification or rejection of an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia be submitted to the voters of the State at the next general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy, which proposed amendment is as follows:

That sections thirteen, eighteen, twenty-two, twenty-four and thirty-three, article six, and sections fourteen and fifteen, article seven thereof, be amended, all to read as follows:
ARTICLE VI. LEGISLATURE.

§13. Eligibility to seat in Legislature.

No person holding any other lucrative office or employment under this State, the United States, or any foreign government; no member of Congress; and no person who is sheriff, constable, or clerk of any court of record, shall be eligible to a seat in the Legislature.

§18. Time and place of assembly of Legislature.

The Legislature shall assemble annually at the seat of government, and not oftener unless convened by the Governor. Regular sessions of the Legislature shall commence on the second Wednesday of January of each year. Upon the convening of the Legislature in each odd-numbered year, each House shall proceed to organize by the election of its officers for two-year terms and both Houses shall then in joint assembly open and publish the election returns delivered to the Legislature as prescribed by other provisions of this Constitution and by general law. When all of these matters have been completed in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every fourth year thereafter, the Legislature shall adjourn until the second Wednesday of February following. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-one of this article and any other provisions of this Constitution, on and after the effective date hereof, there shall be submitted by the Governor to the Legislature, on the second Wednesday of February in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every fourth year thereafter, and on the second Wednesday of January of all other years, unless a later time in any year be fixed by the Legislature, a budget for the next ensuing fiscal year and a bill for the proposed appropriations of such budget.

§22. Length of legislative session.

The regular session of the Legislature held in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-three and every fourth year thereafter shall, in addition to the meeting days preceding the adjournment provided for in section eighteen of this article, not exceed sixty calendar days computed from and including the second Wednesday of February, and the regular session
held in all other years shall not exceed sixty calendar days computed from and including the second Wednesday of January. Any regular session may be extended by a concurrent resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members elected to each House determined by yeas and nays and entered on the Journals.


A majority of the members elected to each House of the Legislature shall constitute a quorum. But a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and shall be authorized to compel the attendance of absent members, as each House may provide. Each House shall determine the rules of its proceedings and be the judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members. The Senate shall choose, from its own body, a President; and the House of Delegates, from its own body, a Speaker. Each House shall appoint its own officers, and remove them at pleasure. The oldest Delegate in point of continuous service present at the assembly of the Legislature at which officers thereof are to be selected, and if there be two or more such Delegates with equal continuous service the one agreed upon by such Delegates or chosen by such Delegates by lot, shall call the House to order, and preside over it until the Speaker thereof shall have been chosen, and have taken his seat. The oldest member of the Senate in point of continuous service present at the assembly of the Legislature at which officers thereof are to be selected, and if there be two or more such members with equal continuous service the one agreed upon by such members or chosen by such members by lot, shall call the Senate to order, and preside over the same until a President of the Senate shall have been chosen, and have taken his seat.

§33. Compensation and expenses of members.

Members of the Legislature shall receive such compensation in connection with the performance of their respective duties as members of the Legislature and such allowances for travel and other expenses in connection therewith as shall be (1) established in a resolution submitted to the Legislature by the Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission hereinafter created, and (2) thereafter enacted into general law
by the Legislature at a regular session thereof, subject to such requirements and conditions as shall be prescribed in such general law. The Legislature may in any such general law reduce but shall not increase any item of compensation or expense allowance established in such resolution. All voting on the floor of both Houses on the question of passage of any such general law shall be by yeas and nays to be entered on the Journals.

The Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission is hereby created. It shall be composed of seven members who have been residents of this State for at least ten years prior to the date of appointment, to be appointed by the Governor within twenty days after ratification of this amendment, no more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party. The members shall be broadly representative of the public at large. Members of the Legislature and officers and employees of the State or of any county, municipality or other governmental unit of the State shall not be eligible for appointment to or to serve as members of the Commission. Each member of the Commission shall serve for a term of seven years, except of the members first appointed, one member shall be appointed for a term of one year, and one each for terms ending two, three, four, five, six and seven years after the date of appointment. As the term of each member first appointed expires, a successor shall be appointed for a seven-year term. Any member may be reappointed for any number of terms, and any vacancy shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. Any member of the Commission may be removed by the Governor prior to the expiration of such member’s term for official misconduct, incompetency or neglect of duty. The Governor shall designate one member of the Commission as chairman. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties as such members.

The Commission shall meet as often as may be necessary and shall within fifteen days after the beginning of the regular session of the Legislature in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-one and within fifteen days after the beginning of the regular session in each fourth year thereafter
submit by resolution to the Legislature its determination of compensation and expense allowances, which resolution must be concurred in by at least four members of the Commission.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, such compensation and expense allowances as may be provided for by any such general law shall be paid on and after the effective date of such general law. Until the first such general law becomes effective, the provisions of this section in effect immediately prior to the ratification of this amendment shall continue to govern.

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

§14. Governor's approval or disapproval of bills passed by the Legislature.

Subject to the provisions of section fifteen of this article, every bill passed by the Legislature shall, before it becomes a law, be presented to the Governor. If he approves, he shall sign it, and thereupon it shall become a law; but if not, he shall return it, with his objections, to the House in which it originated, which House shall enter the objections at large upon its Journal, and may proceed to reconsider the returned bill. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-one, article six of this Constitution, any such bill may be reconsidered even if the Legislature is at the time in extended session for the sole purpose of considering the budget bill, as specified in said section fifty-one. If, after any such reconsideration, a majority of the members elected to that House agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, together with the objections of the Governor to the other House, by which it may likewise be reconsidered, and if approved by a majority of the members elected to that House, it shall become a law, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor. If upon any such reconsideration the bill is amended and reenacted, then it shall be again sent to the Governor and he shall act upon it as if it were before him for the first time. In all cases, the vote of each House shall be determined by yeas and nays to be entered on the Journal.

Any bill which shall not be returned by the Governor within five days, Sundays excepted, after it shall have been presented to him shall be a law, in the same manner as if
he had signed it, unless the Legislature shall, by adjournment sine die, prevent its return, in which case it shall be filed with his objections in the office of the Secretary of State within fifteen days, Sundays excepted, after such adjournment, or become a law.

§15. Governor's approval or disapproval of bills making appropriations of money.

A bill passed by the Legislature making appropriations of money must be submitted to the Governor for his approval or disapproval to the extent and only to the extent required by section fifty-one, article six of this Constitution, and any provision therein contained as to such approval or disapproval shall govern and control as to any such bill.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35
(By Mr. Palumbo)
[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Commission on Interstate Cooperation to make a study of the Uniform Probate Code.

WHEREAS, The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws has approved the Uniform Probate Code and has recommended it for passage by the various state legislatures; and

WHEREAS, The Uniform Probate Code is the result of work of the National Conference that began with this special project in 1962, after a continuing effort of the Conference since the late 1920's to improve the procedures for settling a decedent's estate; and

WHEREAS, The cost, complications and delays necessary in the probate of wills, administration and settlement of a decedent's estate and related procedures under the existing statutes in this State are subject to criticism, and the statutes are in need of study, reevaluation and improvement; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Commission on Interstate Cooperation make a study of the Uniform Probate Code, approved by the National
Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, and of related statutes and procedures presently in existence in West Virginia to determine whether or not West Virginia should adopt the Uniform Probate Code; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Commission on Interstate Cooperation report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of proposed legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expense necessary to conduct such study, to prepare a report, and to draft proposed legislation be paid from appropriations to the Commission on Interstate Cooperation or from appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance if advance approval of the Joint Committee is obtained before incurring any expense to be paid out of its appropriations.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49
(By Mr. Gainer and Mr. Holliday)
[Adopted February 11, 1970]
Expressing to the House Public Works Committee of the United States House of Representatives the support of the Legislature of West Virginia for a study of a proposed multipurpose reservoir on the Gauley River near Swiss, Nicholas County, West Virginia.

WHEREAS, Congressmen James Kee and John Slack of West Virginia have introduced a bill in the United States House of Representatives directed to the Committee on Public Works authorizing the United States Army Corps of Engineers to make a study of a proposed multipurpose reservoir on the Gauley River near Swiss, Nicholas County, West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, The Gauley River is a part of the Kanawha River Basin, and such dam has heretofore been proposed by the Kanawha Basin Comprehensive Study Coordinating Committee, a unit comprised of representatives of Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia, the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Soil
Conservation Service, Department of Interior, the Federal Power Commission, Department of Transportation and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; and

WHEREAS, The Kanawha River Basin area is subject to flooding, has a present and future need for additional water supply, has a need for greater water quality control, and has a great potential for recreational use; and

WHEREAS, The Swiss dam would provide approximately twenty-five percent of the water flow estimated as required in the lower Kanawha Basin by the year 2000, or 10,000 cubic feet per second; the present flow now being 1300 cubic feet per second at Gauley Bridge; and

WHEREAS, To provide the water needs of the lower basin the flow in the New River without the aid of increased flow from the Swiss dam would have to be at the rate of 5000 to 6000 cubic feet per second which would eliminate the recreational value of the New River because of the swiftness of the flow; and

WHEREAS, If the Swiss dam is not built there will be a lowering of priorities on such values as fishing and water recreation by depending on the proposed power projects farther up the New River; and

WHEREAS, This comprehensive water basin plan when reviewed from all aspects—industrial development, recreation, water supply and water pollution—appears to be the key to providing maximum benefits to all of the people living in the Kanawha Basin; and

WHEREAS, The Swiss dam would have an exceedingly beneficial economic effect on the entire area; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Legislature hereby expresses to the House Public Works Committee of the United States House of Representatives its support of a study of a multipurpose reservoir on the Gauley River near Swiss, Nicholas County, West Virginia; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to send copies of this resolution to each member of
West Virginia's Congressional delegation and to the Honorable George H. Fallon, chairman of the Committee on Public Works of the United States House of Representatives.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52
(By Mr. Martin)
[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to make a study of the area of employer-employee relations in public employment.

WHEREAS, The State of West Virginia has at present no clear statute relating to the rights and duties of governmental employers and employees and relating to the prevention and settlement of labor disputes in public employment; and

WHEREAS, The entire area of labor relations in the public sector could benefit from statutory clarification of the rights and duties of public employers and employees; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance be and hereby is directed to study the subject of public employer-employee relations; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Committee be authorized to receive the aid and advice of a citizens advisory committee; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the President of the Senate each be authorized to appoint five citizens of the State to create a ten member citizens advisory committee to aid and advise the Joint Committee in this study; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Committee report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with any proposed legislation that the Committee may recommend; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expense necessary to conduct such a study and to reimburse the members of the citizens ad-
visory committee for any actual and necessary travel expenses be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53
(By Mr. Gainer)
[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to conduct a comprehensive study of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 and related West Virginia statutes.

WHEREAS, The United States Congress has declared that "there is an urgent need to provide more effective means and measures for improving the working conditions and practices in the nation's coal mines in order to prevent death and serious physical harm, and in order to prevent occupational diseases originating in such mines"; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 is an attempt by Congress to improve the working conditions and safety standards in coal mines; and

WHEREAS, The enumerated dates for compliance by the states with the provisions and standards of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 vary according to the particular facet of coal mining specified in the Act; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the coal mines, coal industry and State of West Virginia that the West Virginia statutes, relating to the health and safety of persons working in the coal mining industry, be made to comply with the provisions and standards of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act by the 1971 regular session of the West Virginia Legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance conduct a comprehensive study of Titles 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969 and all
West Virginia statutes relating to the health and safety of persons working in the coal mining industry in order to bring the West Virginia statutes into required compliance with the provisions and standards required by the Federal Act; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Committee report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of any proposed legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such study, to prepare a report, and to draft proposed legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55
(By Mr. Carrigan and Mr. Holliday)

[Adopted February 12, 1970]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to investigate the construction or renovation of additional maximum security prison facilities.

WHEREAS, A subcommittee of this Senate has heretofore recommended that the present facilities used to house maximum security prisoners are of improper design and of poor construction; and

WHEREAS, A special grand jury of Marshall County has found that the facilities at the Moundsville state prison for maximum security prisoners are of improper design and of poor construction; and

WHEREAS, Said grand jury has found that these conditions materially contributed to the escape of prisoners on December 2, 1969; and

WHEREAS, It has not been determined if the cost of improving the existing facilities is greater than the cost of building a new maximum security facility; therefore, be it
Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby directed to conduct an exhaustive study of the entire area of the improvement of the existing maximum security facilities at the state penitentiary or the construction of new maximum security facilities at another location, and that such committee shall make a full report of its investigation and recommendation for legislative or other action to the Legislature on or before January 1, 1971.
AN ACT making supplementary appropriations of public money out of the treasury for certain spending units of state government by amending chapter six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, known as the Budget Bill, all embracing appropriations for commissions, departments, officers and other spending units of state government.

WHEREAS, The Governor has advised the Legislature that as a result of the balances remaining in the general fund state revenue and in certain special revenue accounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, exceeding the estimate of such balances previously made, economies put into effect, cutbacks in expenditure of appropriations for said fiscal year, and a revised estimate of funds available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, including estimated expirations for the fiscal year 1969-70, in the amount of $6,500,000.00, he finds that an amount in excess of the supplementary appropriations made by this act
is now available or will be available by the time such appropriations will be expended, and that he recommends that the supplemental appropriations embraced herein be made; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That Account No. 210, Account No. 300 and Account No. 405, title two, chapter six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, be amended and re-enacted, that said chapter be further amended by adding there-to a new account, designated Account No. 8285, and said chapter be further amended by making supplemental appropriations to various accounts, all to read as follows:

TITLE 2. APPROPRIATIONS.

§1. Appropriations from general revenue.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
Department of commerce—Acct. No. 465
CHARITIES AND CORRECTION
West Virginia penitentiary—Acct. No. 375
EDUCATIONAL
Glenville state college—Acct. No. 322
West Virginia university—Acct. No. 300
EXECUTIVE
Department of finance and administration—Acct. No. 210
Governor’s office—Acct. No. 120
HEALTH AND WELFARE
Department of welfare—Acct. No. 405
Hopemont state hospital—Acct. No. 430
JUDICIAL
State law library—Acct. No. 114

§2. Appropriations from other funds.

PAYABLE FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
Public service commission—Acct. No. 8285
West Virginia board of regents (special capital improvement fund)—
Acct. No. 854

6—State Law Library
Acct. No. 114

Personal Services .......................................................... $ 5,280.56

8—Governor’s Office
Acct. No. 120

West Virginia Housing Development Fund ........ $ 25,000.00
Civil Contingent Fund .................................................. 2,955.50

14—Department of Finance and Administration
Acct. No. 210

Personal Services .......................................................... $ 826,820.00
Current Expenses .......................................................... 445,000.00
Repairs and Alterations ........................................ 125,000.00
Equipment ......................................................... 17,000.00
Postage ............................................................ 230,000.00
Records Management ............................................ 49,000.00
Office of State Emergency Planning .............................. 24,900.00
State Agency Surplus Property ................................ 29,000.00
Information Systems Service Division .......................... 300,000.00
Major Building Repairs ........................................... 325,000.00
National Youth Science Camp ....................................... 80,000.00
Total  ........................................................................ 2,451,720.00

The Workmen’s Compensation Commission, Department of Welfare, Public Service Commission, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Motor Vehicles, State Road Commission, State Health Department and State Tax Commissioner—Income Tax Division, shall reimburse the Postage appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration monthly for all meter service. Any spending unit operating from Special Revenue or receiving reimbursement for postage costs from the Federal Government shall refund to the Postage account of the Department of Finance and Administration such amounts. Should this appropriation for Postage be insufficient to meet the mailing requirements of the State spending units as set out above, any excess postage meter service requirements shall be a proper charge against the units, and each spending unit shall refund to the Postage appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration any amounts required for that Department for postage in excess of this appropriation.

Any unexpended balance remaining in the “Major Building Repairs Account” at the close of the fiscal year 1968-69 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1969-70.

Any unexpended balance remaining in the “Postage Account” at the close of the fiscal year
1968-69 is hereby reappropriated for expenditure during the fiscal year 1969-70.

The State Road Commission shall reimburse the appropriation of the Department of Finance and Administration monthly for all actual expenses incurred pursuant to (the provisions of) Chapter 17, Article 2-A, Section 13 of the Code of West Virginia.

31—West Virginia University
Acct. No. 300

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Total                                                                                      $23,384,325.00

Out of the above appropriation for Personal Services, the sum of $8,500.00 shall be used only for the employment of a Spray Specialist who shall be stationed only at West Virginia University Farm at Kearneysville, and $7,200.00 for the employment of a Labor Specialist.

37—Glenville State College
Acct. No. 322

Repairs and Alterations
(Science Building) ........................................................................................................ $ 78,736.00

53—West Virginia Penitentiary
Acct. No. 375

Personal Services ........................................................................................................... $ 228,000.00
### 60—Department of Welfare

**Acct. No. 405**

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**Total** $24,205,080.00

### 71—Hopemont State Hospital

**Acct. No. 430**

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### 139-A—Public Service Commission—Gas Pipeline Division

**Acct. No. 8285**

**TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

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**Total** $90,000.00

The total amount of this appropriation shall be paid from Special Revenue Fund out of receipts collected for or by the Public Service Commission pursuant to and in the exercise of regulatory authority over pipeline companies.
474 BUILDING COMMISSION

147—West Virginia Board of Regents—Special Capital Improvement Fund
   Acct. No. 854

TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

That items in lines 42, 43 and 44 be transferred as to priority to read as follows:

Glenville State College
   Land Acquisition ........................................ $ 100,000.00
   Classroom Building and Heating Complex .......... 2,425,000.00

Total .......................................................... $ 2,525,000.00

The foregoing supplementary and deficiency appropriations are hereby appropriated from the State Fund, General Revenue, except as otherwise provided, in the amounts as itemized, for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy, to supplement the 1969-70 appropriations and shall be available for expenditure upon the effective date of this act.

CHAPTER 2

(House Bill No. 15—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed July 25, 1969; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections three and seven, article six, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the powers of the state building commission and increasing the aggregate amount of all issues of bonds outstanding at one time for authorized projects.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three and seven, article six, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
ARTICLE 6. STATE BUILDING COMMISSION.

§5-6-3. Powers of commission.

The commission shall have power:

1. To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded;

2. To have a seal and alter the same at pleasure;

3. To contract to acquire and to acquire, in the name of the commission or of the state, by purchase or otherwise, real property or rights or easements necessary or convenient for its corporate purposes and to exercise the power of eminent domain to accomplish such purposes;

4. To acquire, hold and dispose of personal property for its corporate purposes;

5. To make bylaws for the management and regulation of its affairs;

6. With the consent of the attorney general of the state of West Virginia to use the facilities of his office, assistants and employees in all legal matters relating to or pertaining to the commission;

7. To appoint officers, agents and employees, and fix their compensation;

8. To make contracts, and to execute all instruments necessary or convenient to effectuate the intent of, and to exercise the powers granted to it by, this article;

9. To renegotiate all contracts entered into by it whenever, due to a change in situation, it appears to the commission that its interest will be best served;

10. To construct a building or buildings on real property, which it may acquire, or which may be owned by the state of West Virginia, in the city of Charleston, as convenient as may be to the capitol building, together with incidental approaches, structures and facilities, subject to such consent and approval of the city of Charleston in any case as may be necessary; and, in addition, to acquire or construct a warehouse, including office space therein, in Kanawha county for the West Virginia
alcohol beverage control commissioner, and equip and furnish the same; and to acquire or construct buildings and additions to buildings (and equip and furnish the same), including remodeling, renovation and repair, as may be required for the safety and care of patients, guests and inmates at hospitals under the jurisdiction and supervision of the department of mental health and at institutions under the jurisdiction and supervision of the commissioner of public institutions; and to formulate and program plans for the orderly and timely capital improvement of all of said hospitals and institutions and the state capitol buildings; and to construct a building or buildings in Kanawha county to be used as a general headquarters by the department of public safety to accommodate that department's executive staff, clerical offices, technical services, supply facilities and dormitory accommodations; and to develop, improve and expand state parks and recreational facilities to be operated by the department of natural resources; and to establish one or more systems or complexes of buildings and projects under control of the commission and, subject to prior agreements with holders of bonds previously issued, to change the same from time to time, in order to facilitate the issuance and sale of bonds of different series on a parity with each other or having such priorities between series as the commission may determine; and to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise all real property or interests therein necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of this subdivision;

11. To maintain, construct and operate a project authorized hereunder;

12. To charge rentals for the use of all or any part of a project or building at any time financed, constructed, acquired or improved in whole or in part with the proceeds of sale of bonds issued pursuant to this article, subject to and in accordance with such agreements with bondholders as may be made as hereinafter provided;

13. To issue negotiable bonds and to provide for the rights of the holders thereof;

14. To enter on any lands and premises for the purpose of making surveys, soundings and examinations;
15. To invest in United States government obligations, on a short-term basis, any surplus funds which the commission may have on hand pending the completion of any project or projects;

16. To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers given in this article.

The rights and powers set forth in subdivision 10 of this section shall not be construed as in derogation of any rights and powers now vested in the West Virginia alcohol beverage control commissioner, the department of mental health, the commissioner of public institutions or the department of natural resources.

§5-6-7. Commission empowered to issue state building revenue bonds; form and requirements for bonds; procedure for issuance; temporary bonds; funds, grants and gifts.

The commission is hereby empowered to raise the cost of a project, as defined hereinabove, by the issuance of state building revenue bonds of the state, the principal of and interest on which bonds shall be payable solely from the special fund herein provided for such payment. Subject to the proceedings pursuant to which any bonds outstanding were authorized and issued pursuant to this article, the commission shall pledge the moneys in such special fund, except such part of the proceeds of sale of any bonds to be used to pay the cost of a project, for the payment of the principal of and interest on bonds issued pursuant to this article, such pledge to apply equally and ratably to separate series of bonds or upon such priorities as the commission shall determine. Such bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the commission which shall recite an estimate by the commission of such cost, and shall provide for the issuance of bonds in an amount sufficient, when sold as hereinafter provided, to produce such cost, less the amount of any funds, grant or grants, gift or gifts received, or in the opinion of the commission expected to be received from the United States of America or from any other source. The acceptance by the commission of any and all such funds, grants and gifts, whether in money or in land, labor or materials, is hereby expressly authorized. All such bonds shall have and
are hereby declared to have all the qualities of negotiable instruments. Such bonds shall bear interest at not more than eight percent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature in not more than forty years from their date or dates, and may be made redeemable at the option of the state, to be exercised by the commission, at such price and under such terms and conditions as the commission may fix prior to the issuance of such bonds. The commission shall determine the form of such bonds, including coupons to be attached thereto to evidence the right of interest payments, which bonds shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of the commission, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of said chairman of the commission. In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons issued as hereinbefore authorized shall cease to be such officers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if they had remained in office until such delivery. The commission shall fix the denominations of said bonds, the principal and interest of which shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia, at the capitol of said state, or, at option of the holder, at some bank or trust company in the city of New York to be named in the bonds in such medium as may be determined by the commission. The said bonds and interest thereon shall be exempt from taxation by the state of West Virginia, or any county or municipality therein. The commission may provide for the registration of such bonds in the name of the owner as to principal alone, and as to both principal and interest under such terms and conditions as the commission may determine, and shall sell such bonds in such manner as it may determine to be for the best interest of the state, taking into consideration the financial responsibility of the purchaser, and the terms and conditions of the purchase, and especially the availability of the proceeds of the bonds when required for payment of the cost of the project, such sale to be made at a price not lower than a price which, computed upon standard tables of bond values, will show a net return of not more than eight percent per annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor. The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for the payment of the cost
of the project for which bonds were issued, and shall be de-
posited and checked out as provided by section four of this
article, and under such further restrictions, if any, as the com-
mission may provide. If the proceeds of bonds issued for a
project shall exceed the cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid
into the fund hereinafter provided for payment of the prin-
cipal and interest of such bonds. Such fund may be used for
the purchase of any of the outstanding bonds payable from such
fund at the market price, but at not exceeding the price, if
any, at which such bonds shall in the same year be redeem-
able, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall forthwith be
cancelled, and shall not again be issued. Prior to the prepar-
ation of definitive bonds, the commission may, under like re-
strictions, issue temporary bonds with or without coupons, ex-
changeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the latter.
Notwithstanding the provisions of sections nine and ten, article
six, chapter twelve of this code, revenue bonds issued under
the authority herein granted shall be eligible as investments
for the workmen's compensation fund, teachers retirement
fund, department of public safety death, disability and retire-
ment fund, West Virginia public employees retirement system
and as security for the deposit of all public funds. Such rev-
enue bonds may be issued without any other proceedings or
the happenings of any other conditions or things than those
proceedings, conditions and things which are specified and re-
quired by this article, or by the constitution of the state. The
aggregate amount of all issues of bonds outstanding at one
time for all projects authorized hereunder shall not exceed
sixty-two million five hundred thousand dollars including the
renegotiation, rééissuance of refinancing of any such bonds. No
bonds or other obligations shall be issued or incurred here-
under, unless and until the Legislature by concurrent resolu-
tion has approved the purpose and amount of each separate
project.
AN ACT to repeal sections three and three-a, article nine, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact section one of said article, relating to the department of commerce; abolishing the planning and research division of said department; and eliminating certain of the department's powers, duties and responsibilities in connection with recreational facilities and planning and coordinating activities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three and three-a, article nine, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that section one of said article be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 9. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

§5-9-1. Department created; appointment and compensation of commissioner; divisions of department; powers and duties of commissioner and division directors; general powers and duties of department.

There is hereby created in the state government a department of commerce and the office of commissioner of commerce. The commissioner shall be the chief executive officer of the department and shall be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and shall be paid a salary, all as provided in section two-a, article seven, chapter six of this code. There shall be in the department of commerce an industrial development division and a travel development division. Each division shall be headed by a director, who shall be appointed by the commissioner of commerce, to serve at the will and pleasure of the commissioner of commerce. Each division director shall be qualified in his respective field by
special training and experience. The director of the industrial development division shall be trained and have experience in the field of industrial development. The director of the travel development division shall be trained and have experience in the field of travel development.

The commissioner of commerce shall have control and supervision of the department of commerce and shall be legally responsible for the work of each of its divisions. Under his control, each division director shall be accountable to the commissioner for the work of his division. The commissioner of commerce shall have the authority to employ such assistants as may be necessary for the efficient operation of the department.

The department of commerce shall have the authority and, within the limits of available funds, it shall be its duty to:

1. Investigate, study and undertake ways and means of promoting and encouraging the prosperous development and protection of the legitimate interests and welfare of West Virginia business, industry and commerce, within and outside the state.

2. Serve as a clearinghouse for industrial problems of the state.

3. Promote and encourage the expansion and development of markets for West Virginia products.

4. Promote and encourage the location and development of new business in the state and the maintenance and expansion of existing business.

5. Investigate and study conditions affecting West Virginia business, industry and commerce; collect and disseminate information, and engage in technical studies, scientific investigations, statistical research and education activities necessary or useful for the proper execution of the powers and duties of the department.

6. Plan and develop an effective business information service that will directly assist West Virginia industry and also encourage industries outside the state to use business facilities within the state.
(7) Compile, collect and periodically make available scientific indices and other information relating to current business conditions.

(8) Encourage and develop commerce with other states and devise methods of removing trade barriers that hamper the free flow of commerce between this and other states, and for these purposes cooperate with interstate commissions engaged in formulating and promoting the adoption of interstate compacts and agreements helpful to business, industry and commerce.

(9) Conduct or encourage research designed to further new and more extensive uses of the natural and other resources of the state with a view to the development of new products and industrial processes.

(10) Compile periodically a census of business and industry in the state, in cooperation with other agencies, and analyze and publish the information in such form as to be most valuable to business and industry.

(11) Compile periodically a census of the crafts, trades, skills and occupations of all adult persons in the state, in cooperation with other agencies, and analyze and publish the information in such form as to be most valuable to business and industry.

(12) Study long-range trends and developments in the industries of the state, and analyze the reasons underlying such trends; study costs and other factors affecting successful operation of businesses within the state.

(13) Advertise and publicize the material, economic and other advantages of the state which render it a desirable place for business and residence.

(14) Collect, compile and distribute information and literature concerning the advantages and attractions of the state, its historic and scenic points of interest, and the highway, transportation and other facilities of the state.

(15) Plan and carry out a program of information and publicity designed to attract to West Virginia tourists, visitors and other interested persons from outside the state.
(16) Encourage and cooperate with other public and private organizations or groups in their efforts to publicize the attractions and industrial advantages of the state.

(17) Accept and expend, without the necessity of appropriation by the Legislature, any gift or grant of money made to the department for any or all of the purposes specified in this section.

(18) Initiate, promote and conduct, or cause to be conducted, research designed to further new and more extensive uses and consumption of natural and other resources and their by-products; and for such purposes, to enter into contracts and agreements with research laboratories maintained by educational or endowed institutions in this state, and to extend appropriations to the department for such purposes.

(19) Prepare and maintain a comprehensive plan for the economic development of the state; and the department shall prepare and keep current a proposed long-range program of major state improvements relating to the comprehensive development of natural and artificial resources of this state, and shall cooperate with existing federal and state departments and other agencies or groups in perfecting and promoting the aforesaid comprehensive plan.

(20) Assist voluntary county or regional councils or groups in order to help effectuate the purposes of this article on a local level.

(21) Make recommendations to the governor and the Legislature of any legislation deemed necessary to facilitate the carrying out of any of the foregoing powers and duties, and to exercise any other power that may be necessary or proper for the orderly conduct of the business of the department and the effective discharge of the duties of the department.
AN ACT to repeal articles twenty-three and twenty-four, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to enact in lieu thereof a new article twenty-three of said chapter, relating to horse racing; relating to the West Virginia racing commission, its organization and operation; providing for the regulation and control of horse racing; requiring a license to hold or conduct a horse race meeting; requiring a permit to engage in certain types of employment in connection with a horse race meeting and establishing certain citizenship and residency requirements; providing definitions; establishing qualifications for members and employees of the West Virginia racing commission; specifying the powers and authority of the West Virginia racing commission; providing for applications for and the issuance of licenses and permits; authorizing the West Virginia racing commission to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations; providing that the West Virginia racing commission may by reasonable rules and regulations authorize stewards, starters and other racing officials to impose reasonable fines or other sanctions and stewards to rule individuals off the grounds of any horse race track; relating to the compensation and expenses of members and of other employees of the West Virginia racing commission; relating to purses in connection with horse race meetings; authorizing the West Virginia racing commission to refuse, suspend or revoke a license or permit and establishing the grounds therefor; authorizing stewards to suspend or revoke a permit; relating to the determination of racing dates; authorizing the pari-mutuel system of wagering upon horse races held or conducted under the regulation and control of the West Virginia racing commission and excepting such wagering from the gaming statutes; prohibiting minors from wagering at any horse race track;
establishing the maximum commission which may be deducted from pari-mutuel pools by licensees of the West Virginia racing commission; establishing a different maximum commission which may be deducted from pari-mutuel pools resulting from harness racing than the maximum commission which may be deducted from the pari-mutuel pools resulting from thoroughbred racing; imposing a daily license tax and a pari-mutuel pool tax on horse racing conducted under the regulation and control of the West Virginia racing commission; establishing a different tax on pari-mutuel pools resulting from harness racing than the tax on pari-mutuel pools resulting from thoroughbred racing; relating to the remitting of all daily license taxes and pari-mutuel pool taxes to the West Virginia racing commission; providing that such license tax is in lieu of other taxes except a license tax which may be imposed by a municipality on a horse race track located within or partly within such municipality; relating to the financial responsibility of licensees of the West Virginia racing commission; relating to the disposition of funds for the payment of outstanding and unredeemed pari-mutuel tickets; establishing procedures for making such tickets irredeemable and providing for certain awards from the resulting funds; authorizing certain permit and registration fees; providing a relief fund; authorizing the West Virginia racing commission to hold hearings; expressly providing that the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of the code shall govern the promulgation of all reasonable rules and regulations and the holding of hearings; authorizing the West Virginia racing commission to issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum; relating to hearing costs; providing an automatic stay or suspension of execution of certain orders; providing for judicial review of the decisions of the West Virginia racing commission made following hearings; relating to the stay or suspension of execution of decisions pending judicial determination; authorizing certain appeals to the supreme court of appeals; providing for legal counsel for the West Virginia racing commission; authorizing injunctive relief; relating to the construction and establishment of horse race tracks for horse race meetings; requiring construction permits therefor; re-
lating to administrative procedures and hearings in connection therewith; providing for local option elections and procedures in connection with and incidental to the construction and establishment of horse race tracks; relating to criminal offenses and providing criminal penalties; providing a repealer; relating to the effect of article on existing rules and regulations, licenses, permits and construction permits; and providing a severability clause.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That articles twenty-three and twenty-four, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that a new article twenty-three of said chapter be enacted in lieu thereof, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 23. HORSE RACING.

PART I. LICENSE REQUIRED FOR HORSE RACING AND PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; PERMITS REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN HORSE RACE TRACK POSITIONS.

§19-23-1. License required for horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering in connection therewith.

§19-23-2. Permits required for horse race track positions; residency requirements for employees of licensees.

PART II. DEFINITIONS; WEST VIRGINIA RACING COMMISSION—ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION.


§19-23-4. West Virginia racing commission continued; public corporation; vacancies in office; qualifications of members; compensation and expenses of members; organization and meetings of racing commission; transaction of business; annual report.

PART III. RACING SECRETARY AND OTHER PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEES OF RACING COMMISSION.

§19-23-5. Racing secretary; stewards and employees; qualifications; compensation and expenses; payment of compensation and expenses generally.

PART IV. POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF RACING COMMISSION.


PART V. LICENSE AND PERMIT PROCEDURES.

§19-23-7. Application for license; time for filing; disclosure required; verification.

§19-23-8. Consideration of application; issuance of license or permit; contents of license or permit; denial of application; determination of racing dates; license not transferable or assignable; limitation on license; validity of permit; permit not transferable or assignable.
PART VI. PARI-MUTUEL SYSTEM OF WAGERING AUTHORIZED; COMMISSIONS DEDUCTED FROM PARI-MUTUEL POOLS.

§19-23-9. Pari-mutuel system of wagering authorized; no other wagering to be permitted; commissions of licensees on pari-mutuel pools; auditing; minors.

PART VII. TAXATION OF HORSE RACING AND PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING; DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.

§19-23-10. Daily license tax; pari-mutuel pools tax; how taxes paid.
§19-23-11. Revenues to be paid into general revenue fund.
§19-23-12. License tax to be in lieu of all other license, etc., taxes; exception.

PART VIII. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING AND UNREDEEMABLE PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS; IRREDEEMABLE TICKETS; AWARDS.

§19-23-13. Disposition of funds for payment of outstanding and unredeemed pari-mutuel tickets; irredeemable tickets; awards to resident owners, etc., of winning horses.

PART IX. DISPOSITION OF PERMIT FEES, REGISTRATION FEES AND FINES.

§19-23-14. Disposition of permit fees, registration fees and fines.

PART X. HEARING PROCEDURES; JUDICIAL REVIEW.

§19-23-15. Suspension or revocation of license or permit.
§19-23-17. Judicial review; appeal to supreme court of appeals; legal representation for racing commission.

PART XI. CONSTRUCTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF HORSE RACE TRACKS.

§19-23-18. Horse race track construction permits; application therefor.
§19-23-19. Determination by racing commission; tentative approval of application for construction permit; publication.
§19-23-20. Petition for local option election.
§19-23-21. Local option election procedure; form of ballots or ballot labels.
§19-23-22. Issuance or nonissuance of a construction permit; duration of a construction permit; transfer and assignment of a construction permit.
§19-23-23. Further elections restricted.
§19-23-24. Applicability of certain sections of article to horse race tracks already constructed and established.

PART XII. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.

§19-23-25. Actions to enjoin violations.

PART XIII. OFFENSES AND PENALTIES.

§19-23-26. Offenses and penalties.

PART XIV. REPEALER; EFFECT ON EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS, LICENSES AND PERMITS.


PART XV. SEVERABILITY.

§19-23-29. Severability.
PART I. LICENSE REQUIRED FOR HORSE RACING AND PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING IN CONNECTION THERewith; PERMITS REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN HORSE RACE TRACK POSITIONS.

§19-23-1. License required for horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering in connection therewith.

(a) No association shall hold or conduct any horse race meeting at which horse racing is permitted for any purse unless such association possesses a license therefor from the West Virginia racing commission and complies with the provisions of this article and all reasonable rules and regulations of such racing commission.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the provisions of this article shall not be construed to prevent in any way the use without a license of any grounds, enclosure of race track owned and controlled by any association for any local, county or state fair, horse show or agriculture or livestock exposition, even though horse racing be there conducted, if the pari-mutuel system of wagering upon the results of such horse racing is neither permitted nor conducted with the knowledge or acquiescence of the association conducting such horse racing.

§19-23-2. Permits required for horse race track positions; residency requirements for employees of licensees.

(a) No person not required to be licensed under the provisions of section one of this article shall participate in or have anything to do with horse racing for a purse or a horse race meeting at any licensee's horse race track, place or enclosure, where the pari-mutuel system of wagering upon the results of such horse racing is permitted or conducted, as a horse owner, jockey, apprentice jockey, exercise boy, trainer, groom, plater, stable foreman, valet, veterinarian, agent, clerk of the scales, starter, assistant starter, timer, judge or pari-mutuel employee, or in any other capacity specified in reasonable rules and regulations of the racing commission unless such person possesses a permit therefor from the West Virginia racing commission and complies with the provisions of this article and all reasonable rules and regulations of such racing commission.

(b) At least eighty percent of the individuals employed by a licensee at any horse race meeting must be citizens and residents of this state and must have been such citizens and
residents for at least one year. For the purpose of this subsection, citizens and residents of this state shall be construed to mean individuals who maintain a permanent place of residence in this state, and have been bona fide residents and citizens of this state for a period of one year immediately prior to the filing of their applications for employment. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to individuals engaged in the construction of a horse race track or in the equipping of same, nor to racing officials designated by the racing commission or racing officials designated by the executive officials of a licensee.

PART II. DEFINITIONS; WEST VIRGINIA RACING COMMISSION—ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION.


Unless the context in which used clearly requires a different meaning, as used in this article:

(1) "Horse racing" shall mean any type of horse racing, including, but not limited to, thoroughbred racing and harness racing;

(2) "Thoroughbred racing" shall mean flat or running type horse racing in which each horse participating therein is a thoroughbred and is mounted by a jockey;

(3) "Harness racing" shall mean horse racing in which the horses participating therein are harnessed to a sulky, carriage or other vehicle, and shall not include any form of horse racing in which the horses are mounted by jockeys;

(4) "Horse race meeting" shall mean the whole consecutive period of time, Sundays excluded, for which a license is required by the provisions of section one of this article;

(5) "Purse" shall mean any purse, stake or award for which a horse race is run;

(6) "Racing association" or "person" shall mean any individual, partnership, firm, association, corporation or other entity or organization of whatever character or description;

(7) "Applicant" shall mean any racing association making application for a license under the provisions of this article, or any person making application for a permit under the provisions of this article, or any person making application for a construction permit under the provisions of this article, as the case may be;
(8) "License" shall mean the license required by the provisions of section one of this article;

(9) "Permit" shall mean the permit required by the provisions of section two of this article;

(10) "Construction permit" shall mean the construction permit required by the provisions of section eighteen of this article;

(11) "Licensee" shall mean any racing association holding a license required by the provisions of section one of this article and issued under the provisions of this article;

(12) "Permit holder" shall mean any person holding a permit required by the provisions of section two of this article and issued under the provisions of this article;

(13) "Construction permit holder" shall mean any person holding a construction permit required by the provisions of section eighteen of this article and issued under the provisions of this article;

(14) "Hold or conduct" shall include "assist, aid or abet in holding or conducting";

(15) "Racing commission" shall mean the West Virginia racing commission;

(16) "Stewards" shall mean the steward or stewards representing the racing commission, the steward or stewards representing a licensee and any other steward or stewards, whose duty it shall be to supervise any horse race meeting, all as may be provided by reasonable rules and regulations of the racing commission, and such reasonable rules and regulations shall specify the number of stewards to be appointed, the method and manner of their appointment and their powers, authority and duties;

(17) "Pari-mutuel" means a mutuel or collective pool that can be divided among those who have contributed their wagers to one central agency, the odds to be reckoned in accordance to the collective amounts wagered upon each contestant running in a horse race upon which the pool is made, but the total to be divided among the first three contestants on the basis of the number of wagers on these;
(18) "Pool" shall mean a combination of interests in a joint wagering enterprise, or a stake in such enterprise;

(19) "Legitimate breakage" is the percentage left over in the division of a pool;

(20) "To the dime" shall mean that wagers shall be figured and paid to the dime; and

(21) "Code" shall mean the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as heretofore and hereafter amended.

§19-23-4. West Virginia racing commission continued; public corporation; vacancies in office; qualifications of members; compensation and expenses of members; organization and meetings of racing commission; transaction of business; annual report.

(a) The "West Virginia racing commission," heretofore created, shall continue in existence as a public corporation, and, as such, may contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded, sue and be sued and have and use a common seal.

(b) The racing commission shall consist of three members, not more than two of whom shall belong to the same political party, to be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The term of office for the members of such racing commission shall be four years, and until their successors have been appointed and have qualified, and members of the racing commission may serve any number of successive terms. The members of the racing commission in office on the effective date of this article shall, unless removed by the governor after the effective date of this article, continue to serve until their terms expire and until their successors have been appointed and have qualified. Any vacancy in the office of a member of the racing commission shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term of the member whose office shall be vacant. No individual shall be eligible for appointment to or to serve upon the racing commission:

(1) Unless he is an actual and bona fide resident of this state, shall have resided in this state for a period of at least
five years next preceding his appointment, shall be a qualified voter of this state and be not less than twenty-five years of age;

(2) Who directly or indirectly, or in any capacity, owns or has any interest, in any manner whatever, in any race track where horse race meetings may be held, including, but not limited to, an interest as owner, lessor, lessee, stockholder or employee;

(3) While serving as a member of the Legislature or as an elective officer of this state; or

(4) Who has been or shall be convicted of an offense which, under the law of this state or any other state or of the United States of America, constitutes a felony, or is a violation of article four, chapter sixty-one of this code.

(c) Each member of the racing commission shall receive a salary of five thousand dollars per annum to be paid in monthly installments and shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of his duties as a member of the racing commission.

(d) The racing commission shall have its principal office at the seat of government, and shall meet annually at its principal office in the month of January, and at such other times and places as shall be designated by its chairman. At such annual meeting the racing commission shall elect from its membership a chairman and such other officers as may be desired. Other meetings of the racing commission may be called by the chairman on such notice to the other members as may be prescribed by the racing commission.

(e) A majority of the members of the racing commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of its business or the exercise of any of its powers and authority. No individual not a bona fide member of the racing commission shall vote upon or participate in the deliberations of the racing commission on any matter which may come before it. All racing commission records, except as otherwise provided by law, shall be open to public inspection during regular office hours.

(f) As soon as possible after the close of each calendar year, the racing commission shall submit to the governor a
report of the transactions of the racing commission during the preceding calendar year.

PART III. RACING SECRETARY AND OTHER PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYEES OF RACING COMMISSION.

§19-23-5. Racing secretary; stewards and employees; qualifications; compensation and expenses; payment of compensation and expenses generally.

(a) The racing commission shall appoint a racing secretary to represent the racing commission and such racing secretary shall possess such powers and authority and perform such duties as the racing commission may direct or prescribe. The racing secretary shall preserve at the racing commission's principal office all books, maps, records, documents and other papers of the racing commission. The racing secretary shall, in addition to all other duties imposed upon him by the racing commission, serve in a liaison capacity between licensees and the racing commission. The racing commission may also employ, direct and define the duties of an assistant racing secretary and such stenographers, clerks and other office personnel as it may deem necessary to carry out the duties imposed upon it under the provisions of this article.

(b) In addition to the employees referred to above, the racing commission shall employ, direct and define the duties of a chief clerk, director of security, director of audit, chief chemist, stewards to represent the racing commission, supervisors of the pari-mutuel wagering conducted under the provisions of this article, veterinarians, inspectors, accountants, guards and all other employees deemed by the racing commission to be essential in connection with any horse race meeting. The director of audit shall be a certified public accountant or experienced public accountant.

(c) No individual shall knowingly be employed or be continued in employment by the racing commission in any capacity whatever:

(1) Who directly or indirectly, or in any capacity, owns or has any interest, in any manner whatever, in any race track where horse race meetings may be held, including, but not limited to, an interest as owner, lessor, lessee, stockholder or employee;
(2) Who at the time is or has been within one year prior thereto a member of the Legislature or an elective officer of this state, unless he is experienced and qualified as a racing official; or

(3) Who has been or shall be convicted of an offense which, under the law of this state or any other state or of the United States of America, constitutes a felony, or is a violation of article four, chapter sixty-one of this code. Any steward employed by the racing commission or by a licensee shall be a person of integrity, and experienced and qualified for such position by the generally accepted practices and customs of horse racing in the United States.

(d) The racing secretary and all other employees of the racing commission shall serve at the will and pleasure of the racing commission. The racing secretary and the other employees referred to in this section as employees of the racing commission shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the racing commission within the limit of available funds, and shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their official duties.

(e) All compensation and reimbursement for expenses of the members of the racing commission, the racing secretary and all other employees of the racing commission shall be paid from the funds in the hands of the state treasurer collected under the provisions of this article and shall be itemized in the budget in the same manner as all other departments of state government, but no reimbursement for expenses incurred shall be paid unless an itemized account thereof, under oath, be first filed with the state auditor.

PART IV. POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF RACING COMMISSION.


(a) The racing commission shall have full jurisdiction over and shall supervise all horse race meetings and all persons involved in the holding or conducting of horse race meetings, and, in this regard, it shall have plenary power and authority:

(1) To investigate applicants and determine the eligibility of such applicants for a license or permit or construction permit under the provisions of this article;
(2) To fix, from time to time, the annual fee to be paid to the racing commission for any permit required under the provisions of section two of this article;

(3) To promulgate reasonable rules and regulations implementing and making effective the provisions of this article and the powers and authority conferred and the duties imposed upon the racing commission under the provisions of this article, including, but not limited to, reasonable rules and regulations under which all horse races and horse race meetings shall be held and conducted, all of which reasonable rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code;

(4) To register colors and assumed names and to fix, from time to time, the annual fee to be paid to the racing commission for any such registration;

(5) To fix and regulate the minimum purse to be offered during any horse race meeting;

(6) To fix a minimum and a maximum number of horse races to be held on any respective racing day;

(7) To enter the office, horse race track, facilities and other places of business of any licensee to determine whether the provisions of this article and its reasonable rules and regulations are being complied with, and for this purpose, the racing commission, its racing secretary, representatives and employees may visit, investigate and have free access to any such office, horse race track, facilities and other places of business;

(8) To investigate alleged violations of the provisions of this article, its reasonable rules and regulations, orders and final decisions and to take appropriate disciplinary action against any licensee or permit holder or construction permit holder for the violation thereof or institute appropriate legal action for the enforcement thereof or take such disciplinary action and institute such legal action;

(9) By reasonable rules and regulations, to authorize stewards, starters and other racing officials to impose reasonable fines or other sanctions upon any person connected with or involved in any horse racing or any horse race meeting; and to authorize stewards to rule off the grounds of any horse race.
track any tout, bookmaker or other undesirable individual deemed inimicable to the best interests of horse racing or the pari-mutuel system of wagering in connection therewith;

(10) To require at any time the removal of any racing official or racing employee of any licensee, for the violation of any provision of this article, any reasonable rule and regulation of the racing commission or for any fraudulent practice;

(11) To acquire, establish, maintain and operate, or to provide by contract for the maintenance and operation of, a testing laboratory and related facilities, for the purpose of conducting saliva, urine and other tests on the horse or horses run or to be run in any horse race meeting, and to purchase all equipment and supplies deemed necessary or desirable in connection with the acquisition, establishment, maintenance and operation of any such testing laboratory and related facilities and all such tests;

(12) To hold up, in any disputed horse race, the payment of any purse, pending a final determination of the results thereof;

(13) To require each licensee to file an annual balance sheet and profit and loss statement pertaining to such licensee's horse racing activities in this state, together with a list of each such licensee's stockholders or other persons having any beneficial interest in the horse racing activities of such licensee;

(14) To issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and subpoenas duces tecum for the production of any books, records and other pertinent documents, and to administer oaths and affirmations to such witnesses, whenever, in the judgment of the racing commission, it is necessary to do so for the effective discharge of its duties under the provisions of this article;

(15) To keep accurate and complete records of its proceedings and to certify the same as may be appropriate; and

(16) To take such other action as may be reasonable or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this article and its reasonable rules and regulations.

(b) The racing commission shall not interfere in the internal business or internal affairs of any licensee.
PART V.LICENSE AND PERMIT PROCEDURES.

§19-23-7. Application for license; time for filing; disclosure required; verification.

(a) Any racing association desiring to hold or conduct a horse race meeting, where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is permitted and conducted, during any calendar year, shall file with the racing commission an application for a license to hold or conduct such horse race meeting. A separate application shall be filed for each separate license sought for each horse race meeting which such applicant proposes to hold or conduct. The racing commission shall prescribe blank forms to be used in making such application. Such application shall be filed on or before a day to be fixed by the racing commission and shall disclose, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) If the applicant be an individual, the full name and address of the applicant;

(2) If the applicant be a partnership, firm or association, the full name and address of each partner or member thereof, the name of the partnership, firm or association and its post-office address;

(3) If the applicant be a corporation, its name, the state of its incorporation, its post-office address, the full name and address of each officer and director thereof, and if a foreign corporation, whether it is qualified to do business in this state;

(4) The dates such applicant intends to hold or conduct such horse race meeting (which shall be successive week days, excluding Sundays);

(5) The location of the horse race track, place or enclosure where such applicant proposes to hold or conduct such horse race meeting;

(6) Whether the applicant, any partner, member, officer or director has previously applied for a license under the provisions of this article or for a similar license in this or any other state, and if so, whether such license was issued or refused, and, if issued, whether it was ever suspended or revoked; and

(7) Such other information as the racing commission may reasonably require which may include information relating
to any criminal record of the applicant, if an individual, or of each partner or member, if a partnership, firm or association, or of each officer and director, if a corporation.

(b) Such application shall be verified by the oath or affirmation of the applicant for such license, if an individual, or if the applicant is a partnership, firm, association or corporation, by a partner, member or officer thereof, as the case may be. When required by the racing commission, an applicant for a license shall also furnish evidence satisfactory to the racing commission of such applicant's ability to pay all taxes due the state, purses, salaries of officials and other expenses incident to the horse race meeting for which a license is sought. In the event the applicant is not able to furnish such satisfactory evidence of such applicant's ability to pay such expenses and fees, the racing commission may require bond or other adequate security before the requested license is issued.

(c) Any person desiring to obtain a permit, as required by the provisions of section two of this article, shall make application therefor on a form prescribed by the racing commission. The application for any such permit shall be accompanied by the fee prescribed therefor by the racing commission. Each applicant for a permit shall set forth in the application such information as the racing commission shall reasonably require.

§19-23-8. Consideration of application; issuance of license or permit; contents of license or permit; denial of application; determination of racing dates; license not transferable or assignable; limitation on license; validity of permit; permit not transferable or assignable.

(a) The racing commission shall promptly consider any application for a license or permit, as the case may be. Based upon such application and all other information before it, the racing commission shall make and enter an order either approving or denying such application. The application shall be denied for any reason specified in subsection (b) of this section. If an application for a license is approved, the racing commission shall issue a license to conduct a horse race meet-
ing, and shall designate on the face of such license the kind or type of horse racing for which the same is issued, the racing association to which the same is issued, the dates upon which such horse race meeting is to be held or conducted (which shall be successive week days, excluding Sundays), the location of the horse race track, place or enclosure where such horse race meeting is to be held or conducted and such other information as the racing commission shall deem proper. If an application for a permit is approved, the racing commission shall issue a permit and shall designate on the face of such permit such information as the racing commission shall deem proper.

(b) The racing commission shall deny the application and refuse to issue the license or permit, as the case may be, which denial and refusal shall be final and conclusive unless a hearing is demanded in accordance with the provisions of section sixteen of this article, if the racing commission finds that the applicant (individually, if an individual, or the partners or members, if a partnership, firm or association, or the owners and directors, if a corporation):

(1) Has knowingly made false statement of a material fact in the application or has knowingly failed to disclose any information called for in the application;

(2) Is or has been guilty of any corrupt or fraudulent act, practice or conduct in connection with any horse race meeting in this or any other state;

(3) Has been convicted, within ten years prior to the date of such application, of an offense which under the law of this state, of any other state or of the United States of America, shall constitute a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude;

(4) Has failed to comply with the provisions of this article or any reasonable rules and regulations of the racing commission;

(5) Has had a license to hold or conduct a horse race meeting or a permit to participate therein denied for just cause, suspended or revoked in any other state;

(6) Has defaulted in the payment of any obligation or debt due to this state under the provisions of this article;
(7) Is, if a corporation, neither incorporated under the laws of this state nor qualified to do business within this state;

(8) In the case of an application for a license, has failed to furnish bond or other adequate security, if the same is required by the racing commission under the provisions of section seven of this article;

(9) In the case of an application for a permit, is unqualified to perform the duties required for the permit sought; or

(10) In the case of an application for a permit, is, for just cause, determined to be undesirable to perform the duties required of such applicant.

(c) In issuing licenses and fixing dates for horse race meetings at the various horse race tracks in this state, the racing commission shall consider the horse racing circuits with which the horse race tracks in this state are associated or contiguous to, and shall also consider dates which are calculated to increase the tax revenues accruing from horse racing.

(d) A license issued under the provisions of this article is neither transferable nor assignable to any other racing association and shall not permit the holding or conducting of a horse race meeting at any horse race track, place or enclosure not specified thereon. However, if the specified horse race track, place or enclosure becomes unsuitable for the horse race meeting because of flood, fire or other catastrophe, or cannot be used for any reason, the racing commission may, upon application, authorize the horse race meeting, or any remaining portion thereof, to be conducted at any other horse race track, place or enclosure available for that purpose, provided that the owner of such horse race track, place or enclosure willingly consents to the use thereof.

(e) No type of horse racing shall be conducted by a licensee at any horse race meeting other than that type for which a license for such horse race meeting was issued.

(f) Each permit issued under the provisions of this section shall be for the period ending December thirty-first of the year for which it was issued, and shall be valid at all horse race meetings during the period for which it was issued, unless it
be sooner suspended or revoked in accordance with the provisions of this article. A permit issued under the provisions of this article is neither transferable nor assignable to any other person.

PART VI. PARI-MUTUEL SYSTEM OF WAGERING AUTHORIZED; COMMISSIONS DEDUCTED FROM PARI-MUTUEL POOLS.

§19-23-9. Pari-mutuel system of wagering authorized; no other wagering to be permitted; commissions of licensees on pari-mutuel pools; auditing; minors.

(a) The pari-mutuel system of wagering upon the results of any horse race at any horse race meeting conducted or held by any licensee is hereby authorized, if and only if such pari-mutuel wagering is conducted by such licensee within the confines of such licensee's horse race track, and the provisions of section one, article ten, chapter sixty-one of this code, relating to gaming, shall not apply to the pari-mutuel system of wagering in manner and form as provided for in this article at any horse race meeting within this state where horse racing shall be permitted for any purse by any licensee. A licensee shall permit or conduct only the pari-mutuel system of wagering within the confines of such licensee's horse race track at which any horse race meeting is conducted or held.

(b) A licensee is hereby expressly authorized to deduct a commission from the pari-mutuel pools, as follows:

(1) The commission deducted by any licensee from the pari-mutuel pools on thoroughbred racing shall not exceed sixteen percent of the total of such pari-mutuel pools for the day. Out of such commission, the licensee shall pay the pari-mutuel pools tax provided for in subsection (b), section ten of this article, and shall deposit one percent of such commission in a special fund to be established by the licensee and to be used for the augmentation of the regular purses offered by the licensee. The remainder of the commission shall be retained by the licensee.

(2) The commission deducted by any licensee from the pari-mutuel pools on harness racing shall not exceed seventeen percent of the total of such pari-mutuel pools for the day. Out of such commission, the licensee shall pay the pari-mutuel
pools tax provided for in subsection (c), section ten of this article. The remainder of the commission shall be retained by the licensee.

(c) In addition to any such commission, a licensee shall also be entitled to retain the legitimate breakage, which shall be made and calculated to the dime.

(d) The director of audit, and any other auditors employed by the racing commission who shall also be certified public accountants or experienced public accountants, shall have free access to the space or enclosure where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is conducted or calculated at any horse race meeting for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the licensee is deducting and retaining only a commission as provided in this section and is otherwise complying with the provisions of this section. They shall also, for the same purposes only, have full and free access to all records and papers pertaining to such pari-mutuel system of wagering, and shall report to the racing commission in writing, under oath, whether or not the licensee has deducted and retained any commission in excess of that permitted under the provisions of this section or has otherwise failed to comply with the provisions of this section.

(e) No licensee shall permit or allow any individual under the age of twenty-one years to wager at any horse race track, knowing or having reason to believe that such individual is under the age of twenty-one years.

PART VII. TAXATION OF HORSE RACING AND PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING; DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.

§19-23-10. Daily license tax; pari-mutuel pools tax; how taxes paid.

(a) Any racing association conducting thoroughbred racing at any horse race track in this state shall pay each day upon which horse races are run a daily license tax of two hundred fifty dollars. Any racing association conducting harness racing at any horse race track in this state shall pay each day upon which horse races are run a daily license tax of one hundred fifty dollars. In the event thoroughbred racing and harness racing are conducted on the same day at the same
horse race track by the same racing association, only one daily license tax in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars shall be paid for that day. Any such daily license tax shall not apply to any local, county or state fair, horse show or agricultural or livestock exposition at which horse racing is conducted for not more than six days.

(b) Any racing association licensed by the racing commission to conduct thoroughbred racing and permitting and conducting pari-mutuel wagering under the provisions of this article shall, in addition to the aforementioned daily license tax, pay to the racing commission, from the commission deducted each day by such licensee from the pari-mutuel pools on thoroughbred racing, as a tax, five and three-fourths percent of the total contribution to all such pari-mutuel pools conducted or made at any and every thoroughbred race meeting of the licensee licensed under the provisions of this article: Provided, That any such racing association operating a horse race track in this state having an average daily pari-mutuel pool on horse racing of one hundred fifty thousand dollars or less, per day, for the race meetings, of the preceding calendar year, shall, in lieu of payment of the five and three-fourths percent pari-mutuel pool tax as aforesaid be permitted to conduct pari-mutuel wagering at such horse race track on the basis of a daily pari-mutuel pool tax fixed as follows: On the daily pari-mutuel pool not exceeding one hundred fifty thousand dollars the daily pari-mutuel pool tax shall be four thousand dollars plus five and three-fourths percent of the daily pari-mutuel pool, if any, in excess of one hundred fifty thousand dollars.

(c) Any racing association licensed by the racing commission to conduct harness racing and permitting and conducting pari-mutuel wagering under the provisions of this article shall, in addition to the aforementioned daily license tax, pay to the racing commission, from the commission deducted each day by the licensee from the pari-mutuel pools on harness racing, as a tax, three percent of the first one hundred thousand dollars wagered, or any part thereof; four percent of the next one hundred fifty thousand dollars; and five and three-fourths percent of all over that amount wagered
each day in all such pari-mutuel pools conducted or made at any and every harness race meeting of the licensee licensed under the provisions of this article.

(d) All daily license and pari-mutuel pools tax payments required under the provisions of this section shall be made to the racing commission or its agent after the last race of each and every day of each and every horse race meeting, and the pari-mutuel pools tax payments shall be made from all contributions to all pari-mutuel pools to each and every race of the day.

§19-23-11. Revenues to be paid into general revenue fund.

All revenues collected pursuant to the provisions of this article as license taxes or pari-mutuel pool taxes shall be paid by the racing commission to the state treasurer and be deposited by him to the credit of the general revenue fund of the state. Remittance of all such collected and accrued revenues shall be made by the racing commission to the state treasurer at least one time during each thirty-day period of the racing season, and a final remittance as to any particular horse race meeting shall be made within thirty days from and after the close of each such horse race meeting.

§19-23-12. License tax to be in lieu of all other license, etc., taxes; exception.

The license tax imposed in section ten of this article shall be in lieu of all other license, income, excise, special or franchise taxes of this state, and no county or municipality or other political subdivision of this state shall be empowered to levy or impose any license, income, pari-mutuel, excise, special or franchise tax on any racing association engaged in the business of conducting a horse race meeting at which horse races are run for purses under the jurisdiction of and being licensed by the racing commission, or on the operation or maintenance of the pari-mutuel system of wagering, or on the sale of any commodity during a horse race meeting at which horse races are run, or at any such horse race track: Provided, That the foregoing provisions of this section shall in no way affect, abridge or abolish the authority of a municipality to impose the license tax authorized by the provisions of section eight, article thirteen, chapter eight of this code.
PART VIII. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING AND UNREDEEMABLE PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS; IRREDEEMABLE TICKETS; AWARDS.

§19-23-13. Disposition of funds for payment of outstanding and unredeemed pari-mutuel tickets; irredeemable tickets; awards to resident owners, etc., of winning horses.

(a) All moneys held by any licensee for the payment of outstanding and unredeemed pari-mutuel tickets, if not claimed within ninety days after the close of the horse race meeting in connection with which the tickets were issued, shall be turned over by the licensee to the racing commission within fifteen days after the expiration of such ninety-day period, and the licensee shall give such information as the racing commission may require concerning such outstanding and unredeemed tickets. All such moneys shall be deposited by the racing commission in a banking institution of its choice in a special account to be known as “West Virginia Racing Commission Special Account—Unredeemed Pari-Mutuel Tickets.” Notice of the amount, date and place of such deposit shall be given by the racing commission, in writing, to the state treasurer. The racing commission shall then cause to be published a notice to the holders of such outstanding and unredeemed pari-mutuel tickets, notifying them to present such tickets for payment at the principal office of the racing commission within ninety days from the date of the publication of such notice. Such notice shall be published in the week following the close of such horse race meeting as a Class I legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publication area for such publication shall be the county in which such horse race meeting was held.

(b) Any such pari-mutuel tickets that shall not be presented for payment within ninety days from the date of the publication of the notice shall thereafter be irredeemable, and the moneys theretofore held for the redemption of such pari-mutuel tickets shall become the property of the racing commission, and shall be expended as follows:

(1) To the owner of the winning horse in any horse race at a horse race meeting held or conducted by any licensee,
provided that the owner of such horse is at the time of such horse race a bona fide resident of this state, a sum equal to ten percent of the purse won by such horse;

(2) To the breeder (that is, the owner of the mare) of the winning horse in any horse race at a horse race meeting held or conducted by any licensee, provided that such breeder was at the time such winning horse was foaled a bona fide resident of this state, a sum equal to ten percent of the purse won by such horse; and

(3) To the owner of the stallion which sired the winning horse in any horse race at a horse race meeting held or conducted by any licensee, provided that the mare which foaled such winning horse was served by such stallion in this state, and the owner of such stallion was at the time of such service a bona fide resident of this state, a sum equal to ten percent of the purse won by such horse.

(c) One person may qualify for any one or all of the awards aforesaid.

(d) The cost of publication of the notice provided for in this section shall be paid from the funds in the hands of the state treasurer collected from the pari-mutuel pools tax provided for in section ten of this article, when not otherwise provided in the budget; but no such costs shall be paid unless an itemized account thereof, under oath, be first filed with the state auditor.

PART IX. DISPOSITION OF PERMIT FEES, REGISTRATION FEES AND FINES.

§19-23-14. Disposition of permit fees, registration fees and fines.

All permit fees, fees paid for the registration of colors or assumed names and fines imposed by the stewards, starters or other racing officials shall be paid into a relief fund and paid out on the order of the racing commission for hospitalization, medical care and funeral expenses occasioned by injuries or death resulting from an accident sustained by any permit holder while in the discharge of his duties under the jurisdiction of the racing commission. No payment shall be made, however, for any hospitalization, medical care or funeral expenses as to any permit holder who is covered under the
workmen's compensation fund of this state, or any insurance policy providing payments for hospitalization, medical care or funeral expenses. Any balance in said relief fund at any time in excess of five thousand dollars, less any relief obligations then outstanding, shall thereupon be transferred by the racing commission to the state treasurer for deposit to the credit of the general revenue fund of this state.

PART X. HEARING PROCEDURES; JUDICIAL REVIEW.

§19-23-15. Suspension or revocation of license or permit.

(a) The racing commission may conduct an investigation to determine whether any provisions of this article or any of its reasonable rules and regulations have been or are about to be violated by a licensee or permit holder. The racing commission may suspend or revoke a license or permit if the licensee or permit holder, as the case may be:

(1) Is convicted of an offense which under the law of this state, of any other state or of the United States of America, shall constitute a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude;

(2) Is, if a corporation, dissolved under the law of this state or ceases to be qualified to do business within this state; or

(3) Has a license or permit to which such licensee or permit holder is not lawfully entitled.

(b) The racing commission may also suspend or revoke a license or permit of a licensee or permit holder, as the case may be, if it finds the existence of any ground upon which the license or permit could have been refused, or any ground which would be cause for refusing a license or permit to such licensee or permit holder were such licensee or permit holder then applying for the same.

(c) A majority of the stewards at any horse race meeting may suspend or revoke a permit for any reason for which the racing commission may suspend or revoke a permit, as specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, or for any other reason authorized by reasonable rules and regulations promulgated by the racing commission.

(d) Whenever a licensee fails to keep the bond required, if any, under the provisions of section seven of this article in full force and effect, the license of such licensee shall auto-
matically be suspended unless and until a bond or other security, if required, is furnished to the racing commission, in which event the suspension shall be vacated.

(e) Any suspension of a license or permit shall continue for the period specified in the order of suspension, or until the cause therefor has been eliminated or corrected, as set forth in the order of suspension. Revocation of a license or permit shall not preclude application for a new license or permit, which application shall be processed in the same manner and the application approved or denied and the license or permit issued or refused on the same grounds as any other application for a license or permit is processed, considered and passed upon, except that any previous suspension and the revocation may be given such weight in deciding whether to approve or deny such application and issue or refuse such license or permit as is meet and proper under all of the circumstances.


(a) Whenever the racing commission shall deny an application for a license or a permit or shall suspend or revoke a license or a permit, it shall make and enter an order to that effect and serve a copy thereof on the applicant, licensee or permit holder, as the case may be, in any manner in which a summons may be served in a civil action or by certified mail, return receipt requested. Such order shall state the grounds for the action taken, and, in the case of an order of suspension or revocation, shall state the effective date of such suspension or revocation.

(b) Whenever a majority of the stewards at any horse race meeting shall suspend or revoke a permit, such suspension or revocation shall be effective immediately. The stewards shall, as soon as thereafter practicable, make and enter an order to that effect and serve a copy thereof on the permit holder, in any manner in which a summons may be served in a civil action or by certified mail, return receipt requested. Such order shall state the grounds for the action taken.

(c) Any person adversely affected by any such order shall be entitled to a hearing thereon if, within twenty days after service of a copy thereof if served in any manner in which a summons may be served as aforesaid or within twenty days after receipt of a copy thereof if served by certified mail as
aforesaid, such person files with the racing commission a written demand for such hearing. A demand for hearing shall operate automatically to stay or suspend the execution of any order suspending or revoking a license, but a demand for hearing shall not operate to stay or suspend the execution of any order suspending or revoking a permit. The racing commission may require the person demanding such hearing to give reasonable security for the costs thereof and if such person does not substantially prevail at such hearing such costs shall be assessed against such person and may be collected by an action at law or other proper remedy.

(d) Upon receipt of a written demand for such hearing, the racing commission shall set a time and place therefor not less than ten and not more than thirty days thereafter. Any scheduled hearing may be continued by the racing commission upon its own motion or for good cause shown by the person demanding the hearing.

(e) All of the pertinent provisions of article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code shall apply to and govern the hearing and the administrative procedures in connection with and following such hearing, with like effect as if the provisions of said article five were set forth in this subsection.

(f) Any such hearing shall be conducted by a quorum of the racing commission. For the purpose of conducting any such hearing, any member of the racing commission shall have the power and authority to issue subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum as provided for in section six of this article. Any such subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum shall be issued and served within the time, for the fees and shall be enforced, as specified in section one, article five of said chapter twenty-nine-a, and all of the said section one provisions dealing with subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum shall apply to subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum issued for the purpose of a hearing hereunder.

(g) At any such hearing the person who demanded the same may represent such person's own interests or be represented by an attorney at law admitted to practice before any circuit court of this state. Upon request by the racing commission, it shall be represented at any such hearing by the attorney general or his assistants without additional com-
pensation. The racing commission, with the written approval of the attorney general, may employ special counsel to represent the racing commission at any such hearing.

(h) After any such hearing and consideration of all of the testimony, evidence and record in the case, the racing commission shall render its decision in writing. The written decision of the racing commission shall be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law as specified in section three, article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, and a copy of such decision and accompanying findings and conclusions shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, upon the person demanding such hearing, and his attorney of record, if any.

(i) The decision of the racing commission shall be final unless reversed, vacated or modified upon judicial review thereof in accordance with the provisions of section seventeen of this article.

§19-23-17. Judicial review; appeal to supreme court of appeals; legal representation for racing commission.

Any person adversely affected by a decision of the racing commission rendered after a hearing held in accordance with the provisions of section sixteen of this article shall be entitled to judicial review thereof. All of the pertinent provisions of section four, article five, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code shall apply to and govern such judicial review with like effect as if the provisions of said section four were set forth in this section, except that execution of a decision of suspension or revocation of a license shall be stayed or suspended pending a final judicial determination, and except that execution of a decision of suspension or revocation of a permit shall not be stayed or suspended pending a final judicial determination.

The judgment of the circuit court shall be final unless reversed, vacated or modified on appeal to the supreme court of appeals in accordance with the provisions of section one, article six, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code.

Legal counsel and services for the racing commission in all appeal proceedings in any circuit court and the supreme court of appeals shall be provided by the attorney general or his assistants and in any circuit court by the prosecuting attorney
of the county as well, all without additional compensation. The racing commission, with the written approval of the attorney general, may employ special counsel to represent the racing commission at any such appeal proceedings.

PART XI. CONSTRUCTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF HORSE RACE TRACKS.

§19-23-18. Horse race track construction permits; application therefor.

(a) No person shall construct and establish a horse race track where horse race meetings are to be held or conducted and the pari-mutuel system of wagering permitted or conducted without a construction permit issued by the racing commission in accordance with the provisions of this article.

(b) Any person desiring to obtain a construction permit shall file with the racing commission an application therefor. The racing commission shall prescribe blank forms to be used in making such application. Such application shall disclose, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) If the applicant be an individual, the full name and address of the applicant;

(2) If the applicant be a partnership, firm or association, the full name and address of each partner or member thereof, the name of the partnership, firm or association and its post-office address;

(3) If the applicant be a corporation, its name, the state of its incorporation, its post-office address, the full name and address of each officer and director thereof, and if a foreign corporation, whether it is qualified to do business in this state;

(4) Whether the applicant, any partner, member, officer or director has previously applied for a construction permit under the provisions of this article or for a similar construction permit in this or any other state, and if so, whether such construction permit was issued or refused;

(5) The name and address of any person who has agreed to lend the applicant money for use in connection with such proposed horse race track;

(6) The name and address of any other person who is financially interested in the proposed horse race track;
(7) The county where the proposed horse race track is to be constructed and established, and if such proposed horse race track is to be constructed and established across county lines, the identification of each such county;

(8) Plans showing, in such detail as the racing commission may require, the proposed horse race track and all buildings and improvements to be used in connection therewith; and

(9) Such other information as the racing commission may reasonably require which may include information relating to any criminal record of the applicant, if an individual, or of each partner or member, if a partnership, firm or association, or of each officer and director, if a corporation.

(c) Such application shall be verified by the oath or affirmation of the applicant for such construction permit, if an individual, or if the applicant is a partnership, firm, association or corporation, by a partner, member or officer thereof, as the case may be.

§19-23-19. Determination by racing commission; tentative approval of application for construction permit; publication.

(a) Upon the basis of the application and all other information before it, the racing commission shall make and enter an order granting tentative approval of the application if it finds:

(1) That the applicant intends to proceed in good faith to construct and establish a horse race track complying in all particulars with the law of this state, the provisions of this article and any reasonable rules and regulations of the racing commission;

(2) That the plans for such proposed horse race track are adequate and have been prepared with due regard to the safety of all persons who will use such horse race track;

(3) That the applicant is financially able to complete such horse race track in accordance with the plans submitted with such application; and

(4) That the construction and establishment of such proposed horse race track would be in the best interests of horse racing within this state.
(b) Otherwise, the racing commission shall deny the application and refuse to grant tentative approval thereof. The racing commission shall make and enter an order to that effect and all of the provisions of section sixteen pertaining to the denial of any application for a license and an order in connection therewith and the provisions of section seventeen pertaining to judicial review of a decision of the racing commission shall govern and control. The denial and refusal shall be final and conclusive unless a hearing thereon shall be demanded pursuant to the provisions of section sixteen of this article considered in pari materia with the preceding sentence of this subsection (b).

(c) If the racing commission grants tentative approval of such application, it shall prepare and publish a notice to the public that the racing commission has granted tentative approval of the application and that the racing commission will confirm such tentative approval and issue a construction permit to the applicant at the expiration of sixty days from the date of the first publication of such notice (which date shall be specified in said notice), unless within said time a petition for a local option election shall have been filed, in accordance with the provisions of this article, with the county court of the county in which any integral part of said horse race track is proposed to be constructed and established. Such notice shall be published as a Class II legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publication area for such publication shall be the county in which any integral part of such proposed horse race track is to be constructed and is established.

§19-23-20. Petition for local option election.

A petition for a local option election on the question of the proposed construction and establishment of a horse race track must be signed by qualified voters residing within the county equal to at least fifteen percent of the qualified voters within said county at the last general election. Said petition may be in any number of counterparts, but must be filed with the county court prior to the expiration of the sixty-day period specified in the notice published by the racing commission in accordance with the provisions of section nineteen of this article. Said petition shall be sufficient if in substantially the following form:
"PETITION FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A HORSE RACE TRACK IN ___________________ COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA.

"Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she is an individual residing in ___________________ County, West Virginia, and is a qualified voter in said county under the laws of this state, and that his or her name, address and the date of signing this petition are correctly set forth below.

"The undersigned petition the county court to call and hold a local option election as required by article twenty-three, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, upon the following question: 'Shall the West Virginia Racing Commission issue a construction permit authorizing the construction and establishment of a horse race track where horse race meetings may be held or conducted and the pari-mutuel system of wagering permitted and conducted in ___________________ County, West Virginia?

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(Each individual signing must specify either his post-office address or his street name and number.)

§19-23-21. Local option election procedure; form of ballots or ballot labels.

(a) Upon the timely filing of a proper petition for a local option election in accordance with the provisions of section twenty of this article, the county court of the county in which all or any integral part of a proposed horse race track is to be constructed and established is hereby authorized to call a local option election for the purpose of determining the will of the qualified voters within said county as to the construction and establishment of all or any integral part of such horse race track within said county. Upon the timely filing of a proper petition as aforesaid, the county court shall enter an order calling for a local option election and providing that the same shall be held at the same time and as a part of the next primary or general election to be held in said county.
A copy of the order so entered by the county court shall be served upon the racing commission and the racing commission shall take no further action in connection with the issuance of such construction permit until said local option election shall be held. Said county court shall give notice of such local option election by publication of such notice as a Class II-0 legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publication area for such publication shall be the county. Such notice shall be so published within fourteen consecutive days next preceding the date of said election.

(b) The local option election ballots, or ballot labels where voting machines are used, shall have printed thereon substantially the following:

"Shall the West Virginia Racing Commission issue a construction permit authorizing the construction and establishment of a horse race track where horse race meetings may be held or conducted and the pari-mutuel system of wagering permitted and conducted? □ Yes □ No

(Place a cross mark in the square opposite your choice.)"

(c) Each individual qualified to vote in said county at said primary or general election shall likewise be qualified to vote at the local option election. The election officers appointed and qualified to serve as such at said primary or general election shall conduct said local option election in connection with and as a part of said primary or general election. The votes in said local option election shall be counted and returns made by the election officers and the results certified by the commissioners of election to said county court which shall canvass the ballots, all in accordance with the laws of this state relating to primary and general elections insofar as the same are applicable. The county court shall, without delay, canvass the votes cast at such local option election and certify the results thereof to the racing commission.

§19-23-22. Issuance or nonissuance of a construction permit; duration of a construction permit; transfer and assignment of a construction permit.

(a) The racing commission shall, after the certification of the results of such local option election, issue such construc-
tion permit if a majority of the legal votes cast at such election were in favor of the issuance of a construction permit. If a majority of the legal votes cast at such election were opposed to the issuance of a construction permit, the commission shall not issue a construction permit.

(b) A construction permit issued as aforesaid shall remain valid only for a three-month period, except that if the racing commission is satisfied that the construction permit holder has in good faith started and is continuing construction of the proposed horse race track, the racing commission may extend the construction permit for additional successive three-month periods, but in no event shall the aggregate time of such construction permit exceed a period of twenty-four months from the date of the issuance of the construction permit.

(c) No construction permit which may be or has been issued under the provisions of this article or the former provisions of this article shall be transferred or assigned in any manner whatever without the written consent of the racing commission.

§19-23-23. Further elections restricted.

When a local option election in accordance with the provisions of this article or the former provisions of this article shall have been held in a county, another such election shall not be held in said county for a period of five years, and within that time the racing commission shall not accept or act upon any application for any other construction permit within said county. In the event a horse race track shall be constructed in a county pursuant to a construction permit issued by the racing commission in accordance with the provisions of this article, no local option election shall thereafter be held as to any horse race track constructed and established pursuant to such construction permit.

§19-23-24. Applicability of certain sections of article to horse race tracks already constructed and established.

Nothing contained in sections eighteen through twenty-three of this article shall apply to any horse race track heretofore constructed and established in this state and at which horse race meetings have been held or conducted by the owners or operators thereof under and pursuant to licenses issued by
the racing commission in accordance with the provisions of this article or the former provisions of this article. The construction and establishment of any new or additional horse race track within a county in which a horse race track has heretofore been constructed and established and operated under licenses issued by the racing commission, whether by the persons owning and operating such existing horse race track or others, shall be subject to all of the provisions of this article.

PART XII. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.

§19-23-25. Actions to enjoin violations.

Whenever it appears to the racing commission that any person has been or is violating or is about to violate any provision of this article, any reasonable rule and regulation promulgated hereunder or any order or final decision of the racing commission, the racing commission may apply in the name of the state to the circuit court of the county in which the violation or violations or any part thereof has occurred, is occurring or is about to occur, or the judge thereof in vacation, for an injunction against such person and any other persons who have been, are or are about to be, involved in any practices, acts or omissions, so in violation, enjoining such person or persons from any such violation or violations. Such application may be made and prosecuted to conclusion whether or not any such violation or violations have resulted or shall result in prosecution or conviction under the provisions of section twenty-six of this article.

Upon application by the racing commission, the circuit courts of this state may by mandatory or prohibitory injunction compel compliance with the provisions of this article, the reasonable rules and regulations promulgated hereunder and all orders and final decisions of the racing commission. The court may issue a temporary injunction in any case pending a decision on the merits of any application filed.

The judgment of the circuit court upon any application permitted by the provisions of this section shall be final unless reversed, vacated or modified on appeal to the supreme court of appeals. Any such appeal shall be sought in the manner and within the time provided by law for appeals from circuit courts in other civil actions.
The racing commission shall be represented in all such proceedings by the attorney general or his assistants and in such proceedings in the circuit court by the prosecuting attorneys of the several counties as well, all without additional compensation. The racing commission, with the written approval of the attorney general, may employ special counsel to represent the racing commission in any such proceedings.

PART XIII. Offenses and Penalties

§19-23-26. Offenses and penalties.

(a) Any person holding or conducting, or assisting, aiding or abetting in the holding or conducting, of any horse race meeting at which horse racing and the pari-mutuel system of wagering on the same is permitted or conducted, without a license issued by the racing commission, which license remains unexpired, unsuspended and unrevoked, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars for each day of such unauthorized horse race meeting, or by imprisonment in jail not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court: Provided, That no conviction shall be had or punishment imposed upon any licensee, whose license has been suspended or revoked, for holding or conducting a horse race meeting while execution of the order of suspension or revocation is stayed or suspended as provided in this article.

(b) Any person violating any provision of section four or section five of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in jail for not less than six months nor more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. The venue of any such offense shall be in the county, or any one of the counties, wherein the person violating said section four or section five carries out any duties of, or performs any work for, the racing commission, which constitute the basis of the charge or complaint.

(c) Any person violating any provision of subsection (b) of section two of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars,
or by imprisonment in jail for not less than one month nor more than two months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. The venue of any such offense shall be in the county, or any one of the counties, wherein the person violating said subsection (b) carries out any duties of, or performs any work for, the racing commission, which constitute the basis of the charge or complaint.

(d) False swearing before the racing commission on the part of any witness shall be deemed perjury and shall be punished as such.

PART XIV. REPEALER; EFFECT ON EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS, LICENSES AND PERMITS.


All acts, whether general or local, public or private, inconsistent with the provisions of this article are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.


All rules and regulations promulgated by the racing commission and in effect on the effective date of this article shall remain in full force and effect until superseded, or except as amended or repealed, in accordance with the provisions of this article.

Any license or permit issued by the racing commission under the former provisions of article twenty-three of this chapter, which has not expired and which has not been suspended or revoked prior to the effective date of this article, shall be governed by the provisions of this article and shall remain valid until the expiration thereof, unless such license or permit is sooner suspended or revoked in accordance with the provisions of this article.

PART XV. SEVERABILITY.

§19-23-29. Severability.

If any provision of this article or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the article, and to this end the provisions of this article are declared to be severable.
CHAPTER 5

(House Bill No. 19—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed July 25, 1969; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two, three, five, six and ten, article eighteen, chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, all relating to the West Virginia housing development fund, legislative findings and purposes, definitions, management and control of housing development fund, officers, personal liability of officers and directors, powers of housing development fund, and sale of bonds or notes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two, three, five, six and ten, article eighteen, chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 18. WEST VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND.

§31-18-2. Legislative findings and purpose.
§31-18-5. Management and control of housing development fund; officers; liability.
§31-18-6. Corporate powers.
§31-18-10. Sale of notes or bonds.

§31-18-2. Legislative findings and purpose.

(a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that as a result of public actions involving highways, public facilities, flood control projects, and urban renewal activities, and as a result of the spread of slum conditions and blight to formerly sound urban and rural neighborhoods, there exists in the state of West Virginia a serious shortage of sanitary, decent and safe residential housing available at low prices or rentals to persons and families of low and moderate income. This shortage is severe in certain urban areas of the state, is especially critical in the rural areas of West Virginia, and is inimical to the health, welfare and prosperity of all residents of the state and to the sound growth of West Virginia communities.
(b) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further that private enterprise and investment have not been able to produce, without assistance, the needed construction of sanitary, decent and safe residential housing at low prices or rentals which persons and families of low and moderate income can afford, or to achieve the urgently needed rehabilitation of much of the present low and moderate income housing stock. It is imperative that the supply of residential housing for persons and families displaced by public actions or natural disaster be increased; and that private enterprise and investment be encouraged both to sponsor land development for residential housing for such persons and families and to sponsor, build and rehabilitate residential housing for such persons and families, to help prevent the recurrence of slum conditions and blight and assist in their permanent elimination throughout West Virginia.

(c) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further that its intention by enacting this legislation is to provide for the creation and establishment of the West Virginia housing development fund, the corporate purpose of which is to provide temporary financing for development costs, land development and residential housing construction to public and private sponsors of land development for residential housing or residential housing, new or rehabilitated, for sale or rental to persons and families of low and moderate income; further to provide technical, consultative and project assistance services to public and private sponsors of such land development or residential housing; further to increase the construction of low and moderate income housing through the purchase or investment in long-term federal mortgages or federally insured mortgages on housing for persons and families of low and moderate income constructed in this state thereby increasing the supply of long-term mortgage financing and freeing funds available therefor for use in short-term construction financing; and finally to assist in coordinating federal, state, regional and local public and private efforts and resources to otherwise increase the supply of such residential housing.

(d) The Legislature hereby finds and declares further that in accomplishing this purpose, the West Virginia housing development fund, created and established by this article, is acting in all respects for the benefit of the people of the state
of West Virginia to serve a public purpose in improving and otherwise promoting their health, welfare and prosperity, and that the West Virginia housing development fund, so created and established, is empowered, hereby, to act on behalf of the state of West Virginia and its people in serving this public purpose for the benefit of the general public.


As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Development costs" means the costs approved by the housing development fund as appropriate expenditures which may be incurred by sponsors of land development for residential housing or residential housing, within this state, prior to commitment and initial advance of the proceeds of a federally insured construction loan, federally insured mortgage or federal mortgage or other public assistance programs, and for which temporary loans from the operating loan fund, if created, may be made by the housing development fund subject to the provisions of section nineteen of this article, including but not limited to:

(a) Payments for options to purchase properties on the proposed residential housing site, deposits on contracts of purchase, or, with prior approval of the housing development fund, payments for the purchase of such properties;

(b) Legal and organizational expenses, including payments of attorneys’ fees, project manager and clerical staff salaries, office rent and other incidental expenses;

(c) Payment of fees for preliminary feasibility studies, advances for planning, engineering and architectural work;

(d) Expenses for tenant surveys and market analyses; and

(e) Necessary application and other fees;

(2) "Federally insured construction loan" means a construction loan for land development for residential housing or residential housing which is either secured by a federally insured mortgage or a federal mortgage, or which is insured by the United States or an instrumentality thereof, or a commitment by the United States or an instrumentality thereof to insure such a loan;

(3) "Federally insured mortgage" means a mortgage loan for land development for residential housing or residential
housing insured or guaranteed by the United States or an instrumentality thereof, or a commitment by the United States or an instrumentality thereof to insure such a mortgage;

(4) "Federal mortgage" means a mortgage loan for land development for residential housing or residential housing made by the United States or an instrumentality thereof, or a commitment by the United States or an instrumentality thereof to make such a mortgage loan;

(5) "Housing development fund" means the West Virginia housing development fund created and established by section four of this article;

(6) "Land development" means the process of acquiring land for residential housing construction, and of making, installing, or constructing nonresidential housing improvements, including waterlines and water supply installations, sewer lines and sewage disposal installations, steam, gas and electric lines and installations, roads, streets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, whether on or off the site, which the housing development fund deems necessary or desirable to prepare such land for residential housing construction within this state;

(7) "Operating loan fund" means the operating loan fund which may be created and established by the housing development fund in accordance with section nineteen of this article;

(8) "Persons and families of low and moderate income" means persons and families, irrespective of race, creed, national origin or sex, determined by the housing development fund to require such assistance as is made available by this article on account of personal or family income not sufficient to afford sanitary, decent and safe housing, and to be eligible or potentially eligible to occupy residential housing constructed and financed, wholly or in part, with federally insured construction loans, federally insured mortgages, federal mortgages or with other public or private assistance, and in making such determination the fund shall take into account the following: (a) The amount of the total income of such persons and families available for housing needs, (b) the size of the family, (c) the cost and condition of housing facilities available, (d) the eligibility of such persons and families for federal housing assistance of any type predicated upon a low
or moderate income basis, and (e) the ability of such persons and families to compete successfully in the normal housing market and to pay the amounts at which private enterprise is providing sanitary, decent and safe housing;

(9) "Residential housing" means a specific work or improvement within this state undertaken primarily to provide dwelling accommodations, including the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of land, buildings and improvements thereto, for residential housing, and such other nonhousing facilities as may be incidental or appurtenant thereto.

§31-18-5. Management and control of housing development fund; officers; liability.

(a) The management and control of the housing development fund shall be vested solely in the board of directors in accordance with the provisions of this article.

(b) The chairman shall be the chief executive officer of the housing development fund, and, in his absence, the vice chairman shall act as chief executive officer.

(c) The board of directors may appoint a chief administrative officer and may fix his title, duties and compensation.

(d) The board of directors of the housing development fund shall annually elect from its membership a treasurer, and shall annually elect a secretary, who need not be a member of the board, to keep a record of the proceedings of the housing development fund.

(e) The treasurer of the housing development fund shall be custodian of all funds of the housing development fund, and shall be bonded in such amount as the other members of the board of directors may designate.

(f) The directors and officers of the West Virginia housing development fund shall not be liable personally, either jointly or severally, for any debt or obligation created by the West Virginia housing development fund.

§31-18-6. Corporate powers.

The housing development fund is hereby granted, has and may exercise all powers necessary or appropriate to carry out and effectuate its corporate purpose, including but not limited to the following:
(1) To make or participate in the making of federally insured construction loans to sponsors of land development for residential housing for occupancy by persons or families of low and moderate income or residential housing for occupancy by persons or families of low and moderate income who are eligible or potentially eligible for federally insured mortgages or federal mortgages. Such loans shall be made only upon determination by the housing development fund that construction loans are not otherwise available, wholly or in part, from private lenders upon reasonably equivalent terms and conditions;

(2) To make temporary loans, with or without interest, but with such security for repayment as the housing development fund determines reasonably necessary and practicable, from the operating loan fund, if created, established, organized and operated in accordance with the provisions of section nineteen of this article, to defray development costs to sponsors of land development for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income or residential housing construction for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income who are eligible or potentially eligible for federally insured construction loans, federally insured mortgages or federal mortgages;

(3) To accept appropriations, gifts, grants, bequests and devises, and to utilize or dispose of the same to carry out its corporate purpose;

(4) To make and execute contracts, releases, compromises, compositions and other instruments necessary or convenient for the exercise of its powers, or to carry out its corporate purpose;

(5) To collect reasonable fees and charges in connection with making and servicing its loans, notes, bonds, obligations, commitments and other evidences of indebtedness, and in connection with providing technical, consultative and project assistance services. Such fees and charges shall be limited to the amounts required to pay the costs of the housing development fund, including operating and administrative expenses, and reasonable allowances for losses which may be incurred;

(6) To invest any funds not required for immediate disbursement in obligations of the state of West Virginia or in
direct obligations of the United States government or in obligations the principal of which and interest on which are guaranteed by the state of West Virginia, or the United States government or any instrumentality thereof;

(7) To sue and be sued;

(8) To have a seal and alter the same at will;

(9) To make, and from time to time, amend and repeal by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this article;

(10) To appoint such officers, employees and consultants as it deems advisable and to fix their compensation and prescribe their duties;

(11) To acquire, hold and dispose of personal property for its corporate purposes;

(12) To enter into agreements or other transactions with any federal or state agency, any person and any domestic or foreign partnership, corporation, association or organization;

(13) To acquire real property, or an interest therein, in its own name, by purchase or foreclosure, where such acquisition is necessary or appropriate to protect any loan in which the housing development fund has an interest and to sell, transfer and convey any such property to a buyer and, in the event such sale, transfer or conveyance cannot be effected with reasonable promptness or at a reasonable price, to lease such property to a tenant;

(14) To sell, at public or private sale, any mortgage or other negotiable instrument or obligation securing a construction, land development, mortgage or temporary loan;

(15) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its property in such amounts, and from such insurers, as may be necessary or desirable;

(16) To consent, whenever it deems it necessary or desirable in the fulfillment of its corporate purpose, to the modification of the rate of interest, time of payment or any installment of principal or interest, or any other terms, of any mortgage loan, mortgage loan commitment, construction loan, temporary loan, contract or agreement of any kind to which the housing development fund is a party;
(17) To make and publish rules and regulations respecting its federally insured construction lending and temporary lending to defray development costs and any such other rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate its corporate purpose;

(18) To borrow money to carry out and effectuate its corporate purpose and to issue its negotiable bonds or notes as evidence of any such borrowing in such principal amounts and upon such terms as shall be necessary to provide sufficient funds for achieving its corporate purpose, except that no negotiable bonds or notes shall be issued to mature more than ten years from date of issuance, and except that the amount borrowed and evidenced by the issuance of its negotiable bonds shall not exceed the amount reasonably estimated at the time of the issuance of such negotiable bonds to be required for the purpose of making federally insured construction loans for a period of two years;

(19) To issue renewal notes, to issue bonds to pay notes and, whenever it deems refunding expedient, to refund any bonds by the issuance of new bonds, whether the bonds to be refunded have or have not matured except that no such renewal notes or refunding bonds shall be issued to mature more than ten years from date of issuance;

(20) To apply the proceeds from the sale of renewal notes or refunding bonds to the purchase, redemption, or payment of the notes or bonds to be refunded;

(21) To provide technical services to assist in the planning, processing, design, construction or rehabilitation of residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income or land development for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income;

(22) To provide consultative project assistance services for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income and for land development for residential housing for occupancy by persons and families of low and moderate income, and for the residents thereof with respect to management, training and social services;

(23) To promote research and development in scientific
methods of constructing low cost residential housing of high durability; and

(24) To participate in the making of or to make loans to qualified federally approved mortgagees and in connection therewith to take as collateral security, invest in, purchase, acquire, sell or participate in the sale of, or take assignments of, notes and mortgages evidencing loans for the construction, rehabilitation, purchase, or refinancing of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income in this state: Provided, That the fund shall obtain such written assurances as shall be satisfactory to it that the proceeds of such loans will be used, as nearly as practicable, for investment in federally insured construction loans for low and moderate income housing in this state or that other moneys in an amount approximately equal to such proceeds shall be committed and used for such purpose.

§31-18-10. Sale of notes or bonds.

Any notes or bonds issued by the West Virginia housing development fund may be sold in such manner, either at public or private sale, and for such price, upon such terms and at such interest rates per annum, as the fund shall determine to be for the best interests of the fund and to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article.

CHAPTER 6

(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 6—By Mr. Jackson, Mr. President, and Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed July 25, 1969; in effect January 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-five; and to amend and reenact section one, article two, chapter twenty-four of said code, relating to the public service commission of West Virginia;
extending its jurisdiction over public service districts generally; and specifically providing that a public service district may not borrow money or issue or contract to issue revenue bonds or exercise certain powers without the prior consent and approval of said public service commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-five; and that section one, article two, chapter twenty-four of said code be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

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CHAPTER 16. PUBLIC HEALTH.

ARTICLE 13A. PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICTS FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES.

§16-13A-25. Consent and approval of public service commission required before borrowing money, issuing bonds, etc.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article to the contrary, a public service district shall not borrow money or issue or contract to issue revenue bonds or exercise any of the powers conferred by the provisions of sections thirteen, twenty or twenty-four of this article without the prior consent and approval of the public service commission. The commission may grant its consent and approval subject to such terms and conditions as may be necessary for the protection of the public interest, pursuant to the provisions of chapter twenty-four of this code, or may withhold such consent and approval for the protection of the public interest.

In the event of disapproval, the reasons therefor shall be assigned in writing by the commission. If written disapproval has not been given by the commission within sixty days after receipt of the application by the commission, it may be deemed by the applicant that approval has in fact been given.
CHAPTER 24. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

ARTICLE 2. POWERS AND DUTIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

§24-2-1. Jurisdiction of commission.

The jurisdiction of the commission shall extend to all public utilities in this state, and shall include any utility engaged in any of the following public services:

Common carriage of passengers or goods, whether by railroad, street railroad, motor or otherwise, by express or otherwise, by land, water or air, whether wholly or partly by land, water or air; transportation of oil, gas or water by pipeline; transportation of coal and its derivatives and all mixtures and combinations thereof with other substances by pipeline; sleeping car or parlor car services; transmission of messages by telephone, telegraph or radio; generation and transmission of electrical energy by hydroelectric or other utilities for service to the public, whether directly or through a distributing utility; supplying water, gas or electricity, by municipalities or others; sewer systems servicing twenty-five or more persons or firms other than the owner of the sewer systems; any public service district created under the provisions of article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of this code; toll bridges, wharves, ferries; and any other public service.

CHAPTER 7

(House Bill No. 20—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed July 25, 1969; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article three, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section ten, relating to the creation of a special fund in the office of the state road commissioner for federal funds reserved in connection with the traffic operations program.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section ten, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 3. STATE ROAD FUND.**

§17-3-10. Special fund.

There is hereby created a special fund, to the credit of which shall be paid all federal funds allocated and distributed to the state of West Virginia in implementation of the provisions of Title 23, United States Code, Section 135, relating to a traffic operations program to increase capacity and safety, to be administered by the state road commissioner in the carrying out of that program. There shall also be paid to the credit of this special fund funds received from municipalities, which funds represent the municipalities' share of the cost of participating in the traffic operations program.

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**CHAPTER 8**

(House Bill No. 12—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed July 25, 1969; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to repeal section one-b, article one-a, chapter twenty-five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact section four, article twenty-four, chapter eighteen of said code, as amended, all relating to collection, disposition and use of additional registration fees at institutions of higher education, creation of special capital improvement funds, and the issuance of revenue bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one-b, article one-a, chapter twenty-five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that section four, article twenty-
four, chapter eighteen of said code, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. FEES AND OTHER MONEY COLLECTED AT STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

§18-24-4. Collection, disposition and use of additional registration fee; creation of special capital improvements fund; revenue bonds.

In addition to all other fees imposed by the West Virginia board of regents, there is hereby imposed and the board of regents is hereby directed to provide for the collection of an additional registration fee from all students in the amounts as hereinafter provided.

For full-time students at each state institution of higher education, the additional registration fee shall be fifty dollars per semester. The board of regents shall have authority to increase such additional registration fee at any institution of higher education for students who are nonresidents of this state. For all part-time students and for all summer school students, the board of regents shall impose and collect such fee in proportion to, but not exceeding, that paid by full-time students.

The fee imposed by this section shall be in addition to the maximum fees allowed to be collected under the provisions of section one of this article and shall not be limited thereby. Refunds of such fee may be made in the same manner as any other fee collected at state institutions of higher education.

There is hereby created in the state treasury a special capital improvements fund, to be expended by the board of regents for the benefit of West Virginia University and Potomac State College of West Virginia University, as provided in this section. On and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, there shall be paid into such special fund all proceeds of the additional registration fees collected from students at West Virginia University and at Potomac State College.

There is hereby created in the state treasury a second special capital improvements fund, to be expended by the board of regents for the benefit of all other state institutions of higher education, as provided in this section. On and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, there
shall be paid into such special fund all proceeds of the additional registration fees collected from students at such institutions.

The board of regents may make expenditures from such special capital improvements funds at the various state institutions of higher education to finance in whole or in part, together with any federal, state or other grants or contributions, any one or more of the following purposes: (1) The acquisition of land or any rights or interest therein, (2) the construction or acquisition of new buildings, (3) the renovation or construction of additions to existing buildings, (4) the acquisition of furnishings and equipment for any such buildings, and (5) the construction or acquisition of any other capital improvements or capital educational facilities at such state institutions of higher education, including any roads, utilities or other properties, real or personal, or for other purposes necessary, appurtenant or incidental to the construction, acquisition, financing and placing in operation of such buildings, capital improvements or capital educational facilities.

The board of regents, in its discretion, may use the moneys in such special capital improvements funds to finance the costs of the above purposes on a cash basis, or may from time to time issue revenue bonds of the state as provided in this section to finance all or part of such purposes and pledge all or any part of the moneys in such special funds for the payment of the principal of and interest on such revenue bonds, and for reserves therefor. Any pledge of such special funds for such revenue bonds shall be a prior and superior charge on such special funds over the use of any of the moneys in such funds to pay for the cost of any of such purposes on a cash basis: Provided, That any expenditures from such special funds, other than for the retirement of revenue bonds, may only be made by the board of regents to meet the cost of a predetermined capital improvements program for one or more of the state institutions of higher education, in such order of priority as shall have been agreed upon by the board of regents and presented to the governor for inclusion in the annual budget bill, and only with the approval of the Legislature as indicated by direct appropriation for the purpose.

Such revenue bonds may be authorized and issued from time to time by the board of regents to finance in whole or
in part the purposes provided in this section in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding the amount which the board of regents shall determine can be paid as to both principal and interest and reasonable margins for a reserve therefor from the moneys in such special funds.

The issuance of such revenue bonds shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by the board of regents, and such revenue bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years from their respective dates; be in such form either coupon or registered, with such exchangeability and interchangeability privileges; be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, within or without the state; be subject to such terms of prior redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred five per centum of the principal amount thereof; and shall have such other terms and provisions as the board of regents shall determine. Such revenue bonds shall be signed by the governor and by the president of the board of regents authorizing the issuance thereof, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president of the board of regents. Such revenue bonds shall be sold in such manner as the board of regents may determine to be for the best interests of the state.

The board of regents may enter into trust agreements with banks or trust companies, within or without the state, and in such trust agreements or the resolutions authorizing the issuance of such bonds may enter into valid and legally binding covenants with the holders of such revenue bonds as to the custody, safeguarding and disposition of the proceeds of such revenue bonds, the moneys in such special funds, sinking funds, reserve funds, or any other moneys or funds; as to the rank and priority, if any, of different issues of revenue bonds by the board of regents under the provisions of this section; as to the maintenance or revision of the amounts of such additional registration fees, and the terms and conditions, if any, under which such additional registration fees may be reduced; and as to any other matters or provisions which are deemed necessary and advisable by the board of regents in the best interests of the state and to enhance the marketability of such revenue bonds.
After the issuance of any of such revenue bonds, the additional registration fees at the state institutions of higher education shall not be reduced as long as any of such revenue bonds are outstanding and unpaid except under such terms, provisions and conditions as shall be contained in the resolution, trust agreement or other proceedings under which such revenue bonds were issued.

Such revenue bonds shall be and constitute negotiable instruments under the law merchant and the negotiable instruments law of the state; shall, together with the interest thereon, be exempt from all taxation by the state of West Virginia, or by any county, school district, municipality or political subdivision thereof; and such revenue bonds shall not be deemed to be obligations or debts of the state, and the credit or taxing power of the state shall not be pledged therefor, but such revenue bonds shall be payable only from the revenue pledged therefor as provided in this section.

CHAPTER 9

(Senate Bill No. 1—By Mr. Jackson, Mr. President, and Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed July 25, 1969; In effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend article thirteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-c, and to amend and reenact section four of said article thirteen; to amend said chapter eleven by adding thereto a new article, designated article thirteen-c; and to amend and reenact section eight, article twenty-one, and section nine, article twenty-four, of said chapter eleven, all relating to taxation; providing a business and occupation tax credit for industrial expansion; defining eligible persons, amount and allowance of credit; defining qualified investment for industrial expansion; providing for forfeiture of unused tax credits and providing that the business and occupation tax credit allowed under the per-
sonal income tax and corporation net income tax shall not be reduced by the tax credit for industrial expansion.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article thirteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-c, and that section four of said article thirteen be amended and reenacted; that said chapter eleven be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article thirteen-c; and that section eight, article twenty-one, and section nine, article twenty-four, of said chapter eleven be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

Article
13C. Business and Occupation Tax Credit for Industrial Expansion.
24. Corporation Net Income Tax

ARTICLE 13. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX.

§11-13-3c. Tax credit for industrial expansion.

(1) There shall be allowed as a credit against tax imposed by this article the amount determined under article thirteen-c of this chapter relating to tax credit for industrial expansion.

(2) The tax commissioner shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section and article thirteen-c of this chapter.


The taxes levied hereunder shall be due and payable in quarterly installments on or before the expiration of one month from the end of the quarter in which they accrue. The taxpayer shall, within one month from the expiration of each quarter, make out an estimate of the tax for which he is liable for such quarter, sign the same, and mail the same together with a remittance, in the form required by section eleven of this article, of the amount of tax to the office of the tax commissioner. In estimating the amount of tax due for each quarter, the taxpayer may deduct one fourth of the tax credit for industrial expansion allowable for the taxable year and one fourth of the total exemption allowed for the year. When
the total tax for which any person is liable under this article does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars in any year, the taxpayer may pay the same quarterly as aforesaid or, with the consent in writing of the tax commissioner, at the end of the month next following the close of the tax year.

Any other provision of this section notwithstanding, the tax commissioner, if he deems it necessary to insure payment of the tax, may require the return and payment under this section for periods of shorter duration than quarter-year periods.

ARTICLE 13C. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX CREDIT FOR INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION.

§11-13C-1. Legislative findings.

§11-13C-2. Definitions, meaning of terms.

§11-13C-3. Eligible persons; amount and allowance of credit.

§11-13C-4. Qualified investment for industrial expansion.

§11-13C-5. Forfeiture of unused tax credits.

§11-13C-1. Legislative findings.

In order to encourage the location of new industry within this state and in order to encourage the expansion of existing industry within this state and thereby increase employment, there is hereby provided a business and occupation tax credit for industrial expansion.

§11-13C-2. Definitions, meaning of terms.

(a) Any term used in this article shall have the same meaning as when used in comparable context in article thirteen of this chapter, unless a different meaning is clearly required by the context or by definition in this article.

(b) The term "industrial taxpayer" when used in this article shall mean any person liable for tax under article thirteen of this chapter exercising any of the following privileges:

(1) Any privilege taxable under section two-b of article thirteen of this chapter.

(2) Any privilege taxable under section two-h of article thirteen of this chapter: Provided, That such privilege is manufacturing for another, which privilege would be taxable under section two-b of article thirteen of this chapter if title to the raw materials involved in the manufacturing process were vested in the taxpayer exercising the privilege taxable under section two-h of article thirteen of this chapter.
§11-13C-3. Eligible persons; amount and allowance of credit.

(a) There shall be allowed to industrial taxpayers as defined in section two of this article, a credit against business and occupation tax imposed by article thirteen of this chapter. The amount of credit shall be equal to ten percent of the cost of qualified investment made for industrial expansion as defined in section four of this article and shall be applied over a ten-year period to reduce the business and occupation tax imposed under article thirteen of this chapter at the rate of one tenth of the amount of such credit per taxable year, commencing with the taxable year that such qualified investment is first placed in service or use.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the annual credit allowance shall not reduce the business and occupation tax imposed by article thirteen of this chapter below fifty percent of the amount which would be imposed for such taxable year in the absence of this credit against tax computed before application of the annual exemption allowed by section three of said article thirteen. No carryover shall be allowed for the amount of any unused portion of any annual credit allowance, nor shall any credit be allowed against any tax liability for any year prior to the effective date of this article, by reason of an assessment issuing within any period after the effective date of this article, which assessment is, in whole or in part, for any period prior to the effective date of this article.

§11-13C-4. Qualified investment for industrial expansion.

(a) The term "qualified investment" means with respect to any taxable year, the aggregate of the applicable percentage of the cost of each property purchased for the purpose of industrial expansion as defined in subsection (b) of this section in West Virginia, which is placed in service or use in this state by an industrial taxpayer during such taxable year, determined under the following table:

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For purposes of this subsection, the useful life of any property shall be determined as of the time such property is placed in service or use in this state by the taxpayer.

(b) The term "property purchased for industrial expansion" means real property and improvements thereto and tangible personal property but only if such property is constructed or purchased for use as a component part of a new or expanded business of an industrial taxpayer as defined in section two of this article, which property is located within West Virginia. Such term includes only tangible personal property with respect to which depreciation, or amortization in lieu of depreciation, is allowable in determining the personal income tax or corporation net income tax under articles twenty-one and twenty-four of this chapter and has a useful life (determined as of the time such property is placed in service or use) of four years or more. The term "property purchased for industrial expansion" does not include replacement property, motor vehicles licensed by the department of motor vehicles, airplanes, off-premises transportation equipment or property which is used outside this state, nor does the term include property purchased prior to the effective date of this article, nor property the construction, reconstruction or erection of which has begun (or contract therefor let) prior to the effective date of this article, nor does the term include property which is acquired incident to the purchase of the stock or assets of an industrial taxpayer as defined in section two of this article which property had been used by the seller in such business in this state, or which property had been previously designated "property purchased for industrial expansion" and so used to qualify for the tax credit provided by this article.

(c) The term "cost" shall not include the value of any property given in trade or exchange for such new property purchased for industrial expansion.

(d) Property acquired by lease for a term of ten years or longer if used as a component part of a new or expanded business of an industrial taxpayer as defined in section two of this article shall be considered "property purchased for industrial expansion" and the applicable percentage of the cost of such property shall be one hundred percent of the rent reserved for the primary term of the lease not to exceed twenty
years. Lease renewals, subleases, or assignments shall not be considered "property purchased for industrial expansion."

(e) The cost of property purchased for multiple business use including use as a component part of a new or expanded business of an industrial taxpayer together with some other business or occupation not qualifying under section three of this article, shall be apportioned between such businesses and occupations and the proportion allocated to businesses of industrial taxpayers shall be considered as "qualified investment" subject to the conditions and limitations of subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

§11-13C-5. Forfeiture of unused tax credits.

If, during any taxable year, property with respect to which a tax credit has been allowed is disposed of or ceases to be used in a business of an industrial taxpayer in this state, or if the industrial taxpayer ceases operation of such business before expiration of the useful life as set forth under section four of this article in computing the credit allowable under section three of this article, then the unused portion of such credit shall be forfeited for the taxable year in which such event occurs and all ensuing taxable years. Property shall not be treated as disposed of with respect to the industrial taxpayer or his successor by reason of a mere change in the form of conducting the trade or business so long as the property is retained in such business and the taxpayer or his successor retains a substantial interest therein, and such taxpayer or his successor continues to qualify under section three of this article.

ARTICLE 21. PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

§11-21-8. Credit against tax.

(a) Business and occupation tax credit.—A credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed by section three of this article equal to the amount of the liability of the taxpayer for the taxable year for any tax imposed under article thirteen of chapter eleven of this code: Provided, That the amount of such business and occupation tax credit shall not exceed the portion of the tax imposed by this article which is attributable to the West Virginia taxable income derived by the taxpayer for the taxable year from the business or occupation with
respect to which said tax under article thirteen was imposed. In case the West Virginia taxable income of a taxpayer includes income from a partnership, estate, trust or a corporation electing to be taxed under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, a part of any tax liability of the partnership, estate, trust or corporation under said article thirteen shall be allowed to the taxpayer, in computing the credit provided for by this section, in an amount proportionate to the income of such partnership, estate, trust or corporation, which is included in the taxpayer's West Virginia taxable income.

For purposes of this section, the tax imposed under article thirteen of chapter eleven of this code shall be the amount of the liability of the taxpayer for such tax under said article thirteen computed without reduction for the tax credit for industrial expansion allowed for such year by the provisions of

(b) Carrier income tax credit.—A credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed by section three of this article equal to the amount of the liability of the taxpayer for the taxable year for any tax imposed on the taxpayer under article twelve-a, chapter eleven of this code: Provided, That the amount of such credit shall not exceed the portion of the tax imposed by this article which is attributable to the West Virginia taxable income derived by the taxpayer for the taxable year from the activities with respect of which said income tax under article twelve-a was imposed. In case the West Virginia taxable income of a taxpayer includes income from a partnership, estate, trust or a corporation electing to be taxed under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, a part of any tax liability of the partnership, estate, trust, or corporation under said article twelve-a shall be allowed to the taxpayer, in computing the credit provided for by this section in an amount proportionate to the income of such partnership, estate, trust or corporation which is included in the taxpayer's West Virginia taxable income.

(c) Cross reference.—For credit in respect of:

(1) Taxes withheld on wages, see section seventy-three,

(2) Taxes imposed on a resident by other states, see section twenty,
(3) Taxes imposed on a nonresident by the state of his resi-
dence, see section forty.

ARTICLE 24. CORPORATION NET INCOME TAX.

§11-24-9. Credits against tax.

(a) Credit for taxes imposed under article thirteen, chapter
eleven of this code.

A credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed by this
article equal to the amount of the liability of the taxpayer for
the taxable year for any tax imposed under article thirteen,
chapter eleven of this code: Provided, That the amount of such
business and occupation tax credit shall not exceed the portion
of the tax imposed by this article which is attributable to the
West Virginia taxable income derived by the taxpayer for the
taxable year from the business or occupation with respect to
which said tax under article thirteen was imposed and shall
not in any event exceed the tax imposed by this article for
such taxable year: Provided further, That no such credit shall
be allowed for any tax imposed under article thirteen with re-
spect to any period prior to the first day of July, one thousand
nine hundred sixty-seven.

For purposes of this section, the tax imposed under article
thirteen of chapter eleven of this code shall be the amount of
the liability of the taxpayer for such tax under said article
thirteen computed without reduction for the tax credit for
industrial expansion allowed for such year.

(b) Credit for taxes imposed under article twelve-a, chapter
eleven of this code.

A credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed by this
article equal to the amount of the liability of the taxpayer for
the taxable year for any tax imposed on the taxpayer under
article twelve-a, chapter eleven of this code: Provided, That
the amount of such credit shall not exceed the portion of the
tax imposed by this article which is attributable to the West
Virginia taxable income derived by the taxpayer for the
taxable year from any source with respect to which said tax
under article twelve-a was imposed and shall not in any event
exceed the tax imposed by this article for such taxable year:
Provided further, That no such credit shall be allowed for any
tax imposed under article twelve-a with respect to any period prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven.

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**CHAPTER 10**

*(House Bill No. 13—By Mr. Sommerville)*

[Passed July 23, 1969; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six-(fifty-one), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the appointment and compensation of the stenographer to the prosecuting attorney of Webster county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six-(fifty-one), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.**

§7-7-6(51). Stenographer for prosecuting attorney of Webster county; salary.

For the county of Webster, one stenographer, three thousand eight hundred dollars.
RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1
(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Adopted July 21, 1969]

Honoring the flight of Apollo 11, Man on the Moon.

WHEREAS, On July 17, 1969, at 9:32 A.M., a three-man space team, Astronauts Neil A. Armstrong, Edwin E. Aldrin, Jr., and Michael Collins, in the spacecraft Columbia began man's greatest adventure when it departed from earth toward its destination, the Moon; and

WHEREAS, In this, one of the most significant space exploration events in the history of the United States of America, one of mankind's greatest achievements was realized on Sunday, July 20, when Astronauts Armstrong and Aldrin stepped from their lunar landing craft (Eagle) onto the surface of the Moon, while Astronaut Collins remained in Moon orbit aboard the command module awaiting the other two Astronauts' return; and

WHEREAS, The landing of the first men upon the surface of the Moon fulfills a commitment accepted by thousands of dedicated, resourceful men and women and the entire team of courageous astronauts; and

WHEREAS, The lunar landing represents the first physical step of man's exploration of space and brings us closer to achieving even greater scientific and technological breakthroughs for the benefit of all the peoples of the world; and

WHEREAS, We have had the opportunity to witness and feel a part of an historical event that will forever be recorded in man's record of achievement and advancement; and

WHEREAS, The thoughts and prayers of the people all over the world accompanied the three Astronauts in their exploration through the void of space in fulfillment of this age-old dream of reaching another celestial body; and
WHEREAS, The accomplishments of the Apollo 11 Astronauts hopefully will hasten the day when the world's population will become a single community dedicated to peace and mutual understanding and respect; and

WHEREAS, Arch A. Moore, Jr., Governor of the State of West Virginia, in keeping with a national proclamation by President Richard M. Nixon, proclaimed the day of July 21, 1969, as a DAY OF LUNAR-SPACE ACHIEVEMENT in West Virginia; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the members of the West Virginia Legislature, in extraordinary session assembled, and with a deep feeling of gratitude and pride, salute the accomplishments of our three fellow Americans, and our Nation's advancement in space, fully realizing that every West Virginian has had the unique opportunity of witnessing an event that will be printed in the pages of history forever.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4
(Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary)
[Adopted July 25, 1969]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to make a study of the means and methods for preventing and eliminating derelict and abandoned motor vehicles on, near and within sight of the public highways of this State.

WHEREAS, There exists numerous abandoned and derelict vehicles on public and private property within this State and within view of the public highways thereof which constitute a nuisance and which adversely affect the natural beauty of the State and the general welfare of its citizens; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby directed to review, examine and study the problem of abandoned and derelict motor vehicles on, near and within sight of the public highways of this State and the most feasible, practical and economical means of preventing and eliminating them, taking into account the promotion of the natural beauty
of the State and the rights of the owners of such vehicles and the holders of liens thereon; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the study include consideration of the necessity of statutory change; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Committee report to the regular session of the Legislature, one thousand nine hundred seventy, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of any proposed legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such study, to prepare a report and draft proposed legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky and Mr. Watson)

[Adopted July 25, 1969]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to make a study of the employment practices of the State of West Virginia, its agencies, bureaus, departments and offices and the means, desirability and feasibility of broadening and implementing the civil service system of the State.

WHEREAS, Numerous employees of the State of West Virginia, its agencies, bureaus, departments and offices are not covered by the classified service under the Civil Service Law, although the provisions thereof permit the Governor by executive order to so include such employees with the consent of the Commission and the appointed authorities; and

WHEREAS, Other employees of the State may not be included under classified service by certain provisions of law proposed to be amended at this extraordinary session of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, An orderly and fair system of employment on the basis of merit and ability of such employees is deemed essential for the efficient administration of state government; therefore, be it
Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance be and hereby is directed to review, examine and study the subject of classified service in this State and the number, type and classification of employees of the State of West Virginia, its agencies, bureaus, departments and offices which should be placed under classified service by law and whether amendment of the Civil Service System of this State is necessary to improve, foster and promote the efficient and orderly operation of the state government; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Committee submit its report to the regular session of the Legislature, one thousand nine hundred seventy on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of any proposed legislation to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct the study, prepare a report, and to draft proposed legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1
(By Mr. Gainer and Mr. McKown)
[Adopted July 25, 1969]

Creating a special interim legislative committee to make a study into the need and desirability of creating an elementary and secondary public school building authority of West Virginia and to determine if legislation is needed in order to aid in providing modern and efficient school buildings and appurtenant facilities.

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article XII, of the Constitution of West Virginia specifies that the Legislature shall provide for the support of free schools; and

WHEREAS, The judicial interpretation of this constitutional provision makes it obligatory upon the Legislature to provide for the support of free schools; and

WHEREAS, Proposed legislation has been introduced in this session of the Legislature providing for the creation of an ele-
mentary and secondary public school building authority of West Virginia and providing supplemental support to the counties for the acquisition of school buildings and appurtenant facilities; and

WHEREAS, It appears that although such proposed legislation has considerable merit, there is a need for further study with respect to the questions presented by such proposed legislation; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That a special interim legislative committee, consisting of five members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President thereof, no more than three of whom shall be appointed from the same political party, and five members from the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker thereof, no more than three of whom shall be appointed from the same political party, is hereby created to conduct a comprehensive study into the need and desirability of creating an elementary and secondary public school building authority of West Virginia and to determine if legislation is needed in order to aid in providing modern and efficient school buildings and appurtenant facilities; and, be it

Resolved further, That a final report containing the conclusions and recommendations of the special interim committee and any drafts of proposed legislation to carry such conclusions and recommendations into effect be submitted to the Legislature prior to the convening of its regular session, 1970; and, be it

Resolved further, That the expenses necessary to conduct such study and to prepare any such drafts of legislation be paid from the appropriation under Account No. 103 for joint expenses, but no expenses whatever shall be incurred unless the approval of the Joint Committee on Government and Finance therefor is first had and obtained by said special interim committee.
AN ACT transferring amounts between items of the total appropriations for certain state spending units as appropriated by chapter six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, known as the Budget Bill, and the act making supplementary appropriations, by chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine.

WHEREAS, Certain spending units have indicated a need to transfer specific amounts between items of appropriation heretofore made by the Legislature for such spending units; and

WHEREAS, Such transfers are necessary in order to protect or to increase the efficiency of the service by each of such spending units; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That items of the total appropriations of Account No. 180, Account No. 240, Account No. 320, Account No. 670, Account No. 671, Account No. 837, and Account No. 900, chapter six, acts
of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, and Account No. 405, chapter one, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, be transferred so as to read as follows:

**TITLE 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

§1. Appropriations from general revenue.

**EDUCATIONAL**
- Marshall university—Acct. No. 320

**EXECUTIVE**

**FISCAL**
- State tax department—Acct. No. 180

**LEGAL**
- Attorney general—Acct. No. 240

**HEALTH AND WELFARE**
- Department of welfare—Acct. No. 405

§2. Appropriations from other funds.

**PAYABLE FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**
- West Virginia alcohol beverage control—Acct. No. 837

**PAYABLE FROM STATE ROAD FUND**
- Department of motor vehicles—Acct. No. 671
- State road commission—Acct. No. 670

**PAYABLE FROM WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND**
- Workmen's compensation commissioner—Acct. No. 900

12—State Tax Department

Acct. No. 180

1 Personal Services .................................$ 2,415,847.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................... 661,465.00

17—Attorney General

Acct. No. 240

2 Other Personal Services ...............................$ 407,360.00
3 Current Expenses ........................................... 58,750.00

35—Marshall University

Acct. No. 320

1 Personal Services ...........................................$ 6,425,239.00
2 Current Expenses ........................................... 475,550.00
3 Repairs and Alterations ................................... 239,550.00
5 Flood Wall Assessment ..................................... 2,850.00
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121—State Road Commission
Acct. No. 670
TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

1 Federal-Aid Construction—Interstate
2 Program ........................................................................... $103,279,000.00
3 Federal-Aid Construction—ABC Program .................... 31,000,000.00
4 Appalachian Program ......................................................... 75,000,000.00
5 Special Maintenance and State Construction
7 —Expressway, Trunkline and Feeder ......................... 14,000,000.00
8 Special Maintenance and State Construction—State Local Service 12,000,000.00
10 Routine Maintenance—Expressway, Trunkline and Feeder .......................................................... 11,000,000.00
12 Routine Maintenance—State Local Service .................. 12,000,000.00
13 Emergency Operations—Snow and Ice Control .......... 10,000,000.00
17 General Operations ......................................................... 21,000,000.00
20 Debt Service ................................................................... 15,130,000.00

122—Department of Motor Vehicles
Acct. No. 671
TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND

1 Personal Services .............................................................. $943,949.00
4 Purchase of License Plates ............................................. 410,021.00

144—West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control
Acct. No. 837
TO BE PAID FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

2 Other Personal Services ................................................ $4,002,000.00
3 Current Expenses ............................................................. 981,300.00
7 Public Employees Retirement Matching Fund ................. 228,000.00

149—Workmen’s Compensation Commissioner
Acct. No. 900
TO BE PAID FROM WORKMEN’S COMPENSATION FUND

1 Personal Services .............................................................. $953,031.00
2 Current Expenses ............................................................. 349,019.00
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The foregoing constitute transfers of amounts from one item of appropriation to another item of appropriation within the total appropriation of each designated spending unit; the amounts as itemized for expenditure during the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred seventy shall be available for expenditure upon the effective date of this act.

### CHAPTER 2

(Edward Bill No. 2—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)

[Passed June 18, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirteen, article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to revenue bonds issued by public service districts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirteen, article thirteen-a, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 13A. PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICTS FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES.


1 For constructing or acquiring any public service
2 properties for the authorized purposes of the district,
or necessary or incidental thereto, and for constructing
improvements and extensions thereto, and also for reim-
bursing or paying the costs and expenses of creating
the district, the board of any such district is hereby
authorized to borrow money from time to time and in
evidence thereof issue the bonds of such district, pay-
able solely from the revenues derived from the operation
of the public service properties under control of the
district. Such bonds may be issued in one or more series,
may bear such date or dates, may mature at such time
or times not exceeding forty years from their respec-
tive dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates not
exceeding eight percent per annum payable semiannually,
may be in such form, may carry such registration priv-
ileges, may be executed in such manner, may be pay-
able at such place or places, may be subject to such
terms of redemption with or without premium, may be
declared or become due before maturity date thereof,
may be authenticated in any manner, and upon com-
pliance with such conditions, and may contain such
terms and covenants as may be provided by resolution
or resolutions of the board. Notwithstanding the form
or tenor thereof, and in the absence of any express
recital on the face thereof, that the bond is nonnegoti-
able, all such bonds shall be, and shall be treated as,
negotiable instruments for all purposes. Bonds bearing
the signatures of officers in office on the date of the
signing thereof shall be valid and binding for all pur-
poses notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof
any or all of the persons whose signatures appear thereon
shall have ceased to be such officers. Notwithstanding
the requirements or provisions of any other law, any
such bonds may be negotiated or sold in such manner
and at such time or times as is found by the board to
be most advantageous, and all such bonds may be sold
at such price that the interest cost of the proceeds there-
from does not exceed eight percent per annum, based on
the average maturity of such bonds and computed accord-
ing to standard tables of bond values. Any resolution or
resolutions providing for the issuance of such bonds may
contain such covenants and restrictions upon the issu-
ance of additional bonds thereafter as may be deemed necessary or advisable for the assurance of the payment of the bonds thereby authorized.

CHAPTER 3

(House Bill No. 3—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)

[Passed June 18, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty, article fifteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to authorization, interest rate, life, form, denomination, sale, redemption and medium of payment of bonds issued by a housing authority; validity of signatures of commissioners or officers on such bonds, and presumptions in legal actions involving validity or enforceability of bonds of an authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty, article fifteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 15. STATE HOUSING LAW.

§16-15-20. Bonds authorized by resolution; interest rate and life; forms; denominations; redemption; how payable; sale; signatures of commissioners or officers ceasing to be such before delivery; presumptions in suit, etc., involving validity.

1 Bonds of an authority shall be authorized by its resolution and may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times, bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding seven percent per annum, be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privileges, have
such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be payable in such medium of payment, at such place or places, and be subject to such terms of redemption (with or without premium) as such resolution, its trust indenture or mortgage may provide.

The bonds shall be sold at not less than par at public sale held after notice published as a Class I legal advertisement in compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publication area for such publication shall be the city or county, as the case may be. The notice shall be published at least five days prior to such sale. The notice shall also be published in a financial newspaper published in the city of New York, New York: Provided, however, That such bonds may be sold to the federal government at private sale at not less than par and, in the event less than all of the bonds authorized in connection with any project or projects are sold to the federal government, the balance of such bonds may be sold at private sale at not less than par at an interest cost to the authority of not to exceed the interest cost to the authority of the portion of the bonds sold to the federal government.

In case any of the commissioners or officers of the authority whose signatures appear on any bonds or coupons shall cease to be such commissioners or officers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if they had remained in office until such delivery. Any provisions of any law to the contrary notwithstanding, any bonds issued pursuant to this article shall be negotiable.

In any suit, action or proceedings involving the validity or enforceability of any bond of an authority or the security therefor, any such bond reciting in substance that it has been issued by the authority to aid in financing a housing project to provide dwelling accommodations for persons of low income shall be conclusively deemed to have been issued for a housing project of such character, and said project shall be conclusively deemed to have been planned, located and constructed in accordance with the purposes and provisions of this article.
CHAPTER 4

(House Bill No. 4—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)

[Passed June 18, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, article eighteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to revenue bonds issued by urban renewal authorities and the interest rates on such bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten, article eighteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 18. SLUM CLEARANCE.


1 (a) An authority shall have power to issue bonds from time to time in its discretion for any of its corporate purposes including the payment of principal and interest upon any advances for surveys and plans for redevelopment projects. An authority shall also have power to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of paying or retiring or in exchange for bonds previously issued by it. An authority may issue such types of bonds as it may determine, including (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) bonds on which the principal and interest are payable:

13 (1) Exclusively from the income, proceeds and revenues of the redevelopment project financed with the proceeds of such bonds; or

16 (2) Exclusively from the income, proceeds and revenues of any of its redevelopment projects whether or not they are financed in whole or in part with the proceeds of such bonds: Provided, That any such bonds may be additionally secured by a pledge of any loan, grant or contributions, or parts thereof, from the federal
government or other sources, or a mortgage of any re-
development project or projects of the authority.

(b) Neither the commissioners of an authority nor
any person executing the bonds shall be liable person-
ally on the bonds by reason of the issuance thereof. The
bonds and other obligations of the authority (and such
bonds and obligations shall so state on their face) shall
not be a debt of the municipality, the county or the
state and neither the municipality, the county nor the
state shall be liable thereon, nor in any event shall such
bonds or obligations be payable out of any funds or prop-
erties other than those of said authority acquired for
the purposes of this article. The bonds shall not consti-
tute an indebtedness within the meaning of any consti-
tutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction. Bonds
of an authority are declared to be issued for an essential
public and governmental purpose and to be public instru-
mentalities and, together with interest thereon and in-
come therefrom, shall be exempt from all taxes. Such
bonds need not be offered by the authority to the state
sinking fund commission at any time and an authority
shall not be required to turn over any surplus or sinking
funds to the state sinking fund commission.

(c) Bonds of an authority shall be authorized by its
resolution and may be issued in one or more series and
shall bear such date or dates, be payable upon demand
or mature at such time or times, bear interest at such
rate or rates, not exceeding seven per centum per annum,
be in such denomination or denominations, be in such
form either coupon or registered, carry such conversion
or registration privileges, have such rank or priority,
be executed in such manner, be payable in such medium
of payment, at such place or places, and be subject to
such terms of redemption (with or without premium) as
such resolution, its trust indenture or mortgage may pro-
vide.

(d) The bonds shall be sold at not less than par at
public sale held after notice published as a Class I legal
advertisement in compliance with the provisions of ar-
ticle three, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and the publi-
cation area for such publication shall be the area of
operation. Such publication shall be made at least ten
days prior to such sale. The notice may be published in
such other medium of publication as the authority may
determine: Provided, That such bonds may be sold to the
federal government at private sale at not less than par,
and, in the event less than all of the bonds authorized in
connection with any project or projects are sold to the
federal government, the balance of such bonds may be
sold at private sale at not less than par at an interest
cost to the authority of not to exceed the interest cost
to the authority of the portion of the bonds sold to the
federal government.

(e) In case any of the commissioners or officers of
the authority whose signatures appear on any bonds or
coupons shall cease to be such commissioners or officers
before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall,
nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the
same as if such commissioners or officers had remained
in office until such delivery. Any provision of any law
to the contrary notwithstanding, any bonds issued pur-
suant to this article shall be fully negotiable.

(f) In any suit, action or proceedings involving the
validity or enforceability of any bond of an authority
or the security therefor, any such bond reciting in sub-
stance that it has been issued by the authority to aid in
financing a redevelopment project, as herein defined, shall
be conclusively deemed to have been issued for such
purpose and such project shall be conclusively deemed
to have been planned, located and carried out in accord-
ance with the purposes and provisions of this article.

CHAPTER 5

(House Bill No. 8—By Mr. Seibert and Mr. Watson)

[Passed June 19, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section nineteen, article seven-
teen, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating
generally to the issuance of revenue bonds to pay the
cost of toll bridges, including the interest rate on such
bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nineteen, article seventeen, chapter seventeen
of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as
follows:

ARTICLE 17. TOLL BRIDGES.


1 The West Virginia commissioner of highways may pay
2 the cost as defined hereinabove of any one or more such
3 bridges by the issuance of bridge revenue bonds of the
4 state, by a resolution of the commissioner which shall
5 recite an estimate by the commissioner of such cost, the
6 principal and interest of which bonds shall be payable
7 solely from the special fund herein provided for such
8 payment. The commissioner, after any such issue of
9 bonds or simultaneously therewith, may issue further
10 issues of bonds to pay the cost of any other one or more
11 of such bridges, in the manner and subject to all of the
12 provisions herein contained as to the bonds first men-
13 tioned in this section. All such bonds shall have and
14 are hereby declared to have all the qualities of nego-
15 tiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code
16 of this state. Such bonds shall bear interest at not more
17 than seven percent per annum, payable semiannually,
18 and shall mature in not more than forty years from
19 their date or dates and may be made redeemable at
20 the option of the state, to be exercised by the commis-
21 sioner, at such price and under such terms and conditions
22 as the commissioner may fix prior to issuance of such
23 bonds. The commissioner shall determine the form of
24 such bonds, including coupons to be attached thereto
25 to evidence the right of interest payments, which bonds
26 shall be signed by the governor and the commissioner,
27 under the great seal of the state, attested by the secre-
28 tary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall
29 bear the facsimile signature of the commissioner. In
case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the
bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officers before
the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall never-
theless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same
as if they had remained in office until such delivery.
The commissioner shall fix the denominations of such
bonds, the principal and interest of which shall be pay-
able at the office of the treasurer of the state of West
Virginia, at the capitol of said state, or, at the option
of the holder, at some bank or trust company in the
city of New York to be named in the bonds, either in
lawful money or in gold coin of the United States,
of or equal to the then current standard of weight and
fineness, as may be determined by the commissioner.
Such bonds shall be exempt from taxation by the state
of West Virginia or any county or municipality therein.
The commissioner may provide for the registration of
such bonds in the name of the owner as to principal
alone and as to both principal and interest under such
terms and conditions as the commissioner may deter-
mine, and shall sell such bonds in such manner as he
may determine to be for the best interest of the state,
taking into consideration the financial responsibility of
the purchaser and the terms and conditions of the pur-
chase and especially the availability of the proceeds
of the bonds when required for payment of the cost
of the bridges, such sale to be made at a price not lower
than a price which, when computed upon standard
tables of bond values, will show a net return of not
more than eight percent per annum to the purchaser
upon the amount paid therefor.

The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for
the payment of the cost of the bridges, and shall be
checked out by the commissioner and under such further
restrictions, if any, as the commissioner may provide.
If the proceeds of such bonds, by error or calculation
or otherwise, shall be less than the cost of the bridge
or bridges, additional bonds may in like manner be
issued to provide the amount of such deficit, and, unless
otherwise provided in the trust agreement hereinafter
mentioned, shall be deemed to be of the same issue
and shall be entitled to payment from the same fund, without preference or priority of the bonds first issued for the same bridge or bridges. If the proceeds of bonds issued for any bridge or bridges shall exceed the cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid into the fund hereinafter provided for payment of the principal and interest of such bonds. Such fund may be used for the purchase of any of the outstanding bonds payable from such fund at the market price, but at not exceeding the price, if any, at which such bonds shall in the same year be redeemable, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall forthwith be canceled and shall not again be issued.

Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the commissioner may under like restrictions issue temporary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the latter. Such revenue bonds may be issued without any other proceedings or the happening of any other conditions or things than those proceedings, conditions and things which are specified and required by this article or by the constitution of the state.

CHAPTER 6
(Senate Bill No. 5—By Mr. Carrigan)

[Passed June 18, 1970; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article ten, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, prohibiting the keeping or exhibiting of gaming tables or banks, any slot machine, multiple coin console machine, multiple coin console slot machine or device in the nature of a slot machine or any other gaming table or device; providing for the complete destruction of any of the same following seizure thereof;
providing certain exceptions; and providing criminal penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article ten, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 10. CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC POLICY.

§61-10-1. Keeping or exhibiting gaming table, machine, or device; penalty; seizure of table, machine or device; forfeiture of money used in such gaming.

Any person who shall keep or exhibit a gaming table, commonly called A. B. C. or E. O. table, or faro bank, or keno table, or any slot machine, multiple coin console machine, multiple coin console slot machine or device in the nature of a slot machine, or any other gaming table or device of like kind, under any denomination, or which has no name, whether the game, table, bank, machine or device be played with cards, dice or otherwise, or shall be a partner, or concerned in interest, in keeping or exhibiting such table, bank, machine or gaming device of any character, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be confined in jail not less than two nor more than twelve months and be fined not less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars. Any such table, faro bank, machine or gaming device, and all money staked or exhibited to allure persons to bet at such table, or upon such gaming device, may be seized by order of a court, or under the warrant of a justice, and the money so seized shall be forfeited to the county and paid into the treasury of the county in which such seizure is made, and the table, faro bank, machine or gaming device shall be completely destroyed: Provided, however, That the provisions of this section shall not extend to coin-operated nonpayout machines with free play feature or to automatic weighing, measuring, musical and vending machines which are so constructed as to give a certain uniform and fair return in value or services for each coin deposited therein and in which there is no element of chance.
CHAPTER 7

(House Bill No. 7—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

[Passed June 19, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article five-c, and section one, article five-d, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said chapter sixteen by adding thereto a new article, designated article five-e, all relating to the regulation and licensing of nursing homes and personal care facilities by the West Virginia nursing home licensing board in order to comply with federal law so the state may receive federal moneys for its citizens pursuant to federal programs for nursing and related care; distinguishing personal care facilities from nursing homes; defining nursing homes, personal care facilities and other terms; relating to types of services offered by nursing homes and personal care facilities; requiring a nursing home administrator for the operation of a nursing home; relating to certain exclusions from the definition of nursing homes and other terms; incorporating in said article five-e all of the provisions of article five-c concerning the powers, duties and rights vested in the West Virginia nursing home licensing board and all of the administrative and enforcement provisions, judicial review provisions and confidentiality provisions; relating to licensing fees; prescribing certain unlawful acts and imposing criminal penalties; authorizing injunctive relief; providing for the treatment of licenses here­tofore issued for personal care homes and personal care facilities as licenses for personal care facilities under said article five-e; repealing certain inconsistent pro­visions and providing a severability clause.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article five-c, and section one, article five-d, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended
and reenacted; and that said chapter sixteen be further amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article five-e, all to read as follows:

Article

5C. Nursing Homes.
5D. Nursing Home Administrators.
5E. Personal Care Facilities.

ARTICLE 5C. NURSING HOMES.

§16-5C-2. Definitions.

1 As used in this article, unless a different meaning appears from the context:
2 (a) The term “nursing home” means and shall be construed to include any building, structure, agency, institution, or other place, for the reception, accommodation, board, care or treatment of not less than twenty-four hours in any week in which an accommodation of three or more beds is maintained, furnished or offered for patients or individuals, who are unable sufficiently or properly to care for themselves, and for which reception, accommodation, board, care or treatment a charge is made: Provided, That the reception, accommodation, board, care or treatment in a household or family, for compensation, of a person or persons related by blood or marriage to the head of such household or family, or to his or her spouse or family, within the degree of consanguinity of first cousins, shall not be deemed to be a nursing home. A “nursing home” is a home for chronic or convalescent patients who, on admission, are not as a rule, acutely ill and who do not usually require special facilities, such as an operating room, X-ray facilities, laboratory facilities and obstetrical facilities. A “nursing home” provides care for persons who have remedial ailments or other ailments, for which medical and nursing care are indicated; who, however, are not sick enough to require general hospital care. Nursing care is their primary need, but they will require continuing medical supervision. Professional nursing skills must be offered. All nursing homes shall be operated by a nursing home administrator, licensed, pursuant to article five-d of this chapter. The term “nursing home” shall not include institutions licensed
as hospitals or institutions operated for the treatment
and care of alcoholic patients, boarding homes for chil-
dren, day nurseries, child-care institutions, children's
homes and child-placing agencies, as defined under
the laws of this state, nor hotels or offices of physi-
cians.

(b) The term "person" means any individual, firm,
partnership, corporation, company, association or joint-
stock association and the legal successor thereof.

(c) The term "board" shall mean the West Virginia
nursing home licensing board as herein created.

(d) The term "aged" relates to any individual who
has attained the age of sixty-five years.

ARTICLE 5D. NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS.

§16-5D-1. Definitions.

As used in this article, unless a different meaning
appears from the context:

(1) The term "nursing home" means a nursing home
as that term is defined in subdivision (a), section two,
article five-c of this chapter.

(2) The term "nursing home administrator" means
an individual responsible for planning, organizing, di-
recting and controlling a nursing home, or who in fact
performs such functions, whether or not such individual
has an ownership interest in the nursing home and
whether or not such functions are shared with one or
two other persons.

(3) The word "board" shall mean the West Virginia
nursing home licensing board created by section three,
article five-c of this chapter.

(4) The word "person" or "applicant" shall mean
an individual.

(5) The word "council" shall mean the state nursing
home advisory council created by section eleven of this
article.

ARTICLE 5E. PERSONAL CARE FACILITIES.

§16-5E-1. Definitions.
§16-5E-2. Administration of article.
§16-5E-3. Licensing of personal care facilities.
§16-5E-4. License fee; amount; disposition.
§16-5E-5. Unlawful acts; penalty.
§16-5E-6. Injunctions.
§16-5E-7. License in force upon effective date of article.
§16-5E-8. Repeal of conflicting laws; severability of article.

§16-5E-1. Definitions.

1 As used in this article, unless a different meaning appears from the context:
2 (a) The term "personal care facility" shall include, but not be limited to, homes for the aged, convalescent homes and other facilities not offering medical and nursing care on a full-time basis. A "personal care facility," as distinguished from a "nursing home" is a place for the care of aged or infirm persons whose principal need is a home with such sheltered and custodial care as their age or infirmities require. In such homes, medical care is only occasional or incidental, such as may be required in the home of any individual or family for persons who are aged or infirm. The resident of such homes will not, as a rule, have remedial ailments or other ailments for which continuing skilled planned medical and nursing care is indicated. The term "personal care facility" shall not include boarding homes or hotels.
3 (b) The term "person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association or joint-stock association and the legal successor thereof.
4 (c) The term "board" shall mean the West Virginia nursing home licensing board as created by section three, article five-c of this chapter.

§16-5E-2. Administration of article.

1 The administration of this article shall be vested in the West Virginia nursing home licensing board created in section three, article five-c of this chapter, and in the administration of this article, such board shall have all the powers, duties and rights vested in it under said article five-c with respect to nursing homes.

§16-5E-3. Licensing of personal care facilities.

1 All facilities coming within the definition of the term "personal care facility" in which an accommodation of four or more beds is maintained, furnished or offered
for patients or individuals for board and personal care of not less than twenty-four hours in any week, shall be licensed as a personal care facility and not as a nursing home, and shall be subject to the rules and regulations adopted by said board under the provisions of this article and under the provisions of article five-c of this chapter. All of the provisions of said article five-c relating to the suspension or revocation of license, notice, hearing, judicial review, appeal and the confidentiality of certain information shall be as fully applicable to personal care facilities under the provisions of this article and to the administration of the provisions of this article as if said provisions of said article five-c were set forth in extenso herein.

§16-SE-4. License fees; amount; disposition.

An application fee in the amount of ten dollars for an original personal care facility license shall be paid at the time application is made for such license. The license fee for renewal of license shall be two dollars per bed. The bed capacity for the holder of each license shall be determined by the board. All such license fees shall be due and payable to the board on or before June thirtieth of each year. Such fee and application shall be submitted to the secretary of the board who shall retain both the application and fee pending final action on the application. Thereafter, upon order of the auditor of the state, all such fees shall be transmitted to the state treasurer to be deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund: Provided, That the authorized expenses of the board are to be paid out of such fees.

§16-SE-5. Unlawful acts; penalty.

It shall be unlawful for any person to conduct, maintain or operate, or permit to be conducted, maintained or operated, or to participate in the conduct, maintenance or operation of a personal care facility in this state, unless and until a license therefor is first issued in accordance with this article, which license remains unexpired, unsuspended and unrevoked.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction
thereof, shall be fined not more than one hundred dol-
ors for the first offense, and not less than fifty nor more
than one hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.
Each day a violation continues after conviction shall be
considered a separate offense.

§16-5E-6. Injunctions.

If any person conducts, manages or operates a personal
care facility without first having obtained a license there-
for, which license remains unexpired, unsuspended and
unrevoked, the circuit court, or the judge thereof in vaca-
tion, of the county in which such conduct, management
or operation occurred, shall upon proper application by the
board in the name of the state, and after ten days' writ-
ten notice thereof to such person, issue an injunction
prohibiting such person from managing or operating such
personal care facility until he has fully complied with the
provisions of this article. The remedy provided in this
section shall be in addition to all other penalties and
remedies provided by law.

§16-5E-7. License in force upon effective date of article.

All personal care facilities heretofore licensed as per-
sonal care homes under the provisions of article five-c
of this chapter, which licenses are still in force upon the
taking effect of this article, shall continue in full force
and effect during the period for which they were originally
issued but shall be treated as a personal care facility
license.

Furthermore, all personal care facilities heretofore
licensed as nursing homes under the provisions of article
five-c of this chapter, which licenses are still in force
upon the taking effect of this article, shall continue in
full force and effect during the period for which they
were originally issued but shall be treated as a personal
care facility license.

§16-5E-8. Repeal of conflicting laws; severability of article.

The provisions of all acts or parts of acts, or of this
code, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this
article are hereby repealed to the extent of such incon-
sistency. The provisions of this article are severable and
if any shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, such determination shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions thereof.

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**CHAPTER 8**

(House Bill No. 21—By Mr. Mulneix)

(Passed June 19, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Approved by the Governor.)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six-(twenty-one), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the salary of the stenographer to the prosecuting attorney of Lewis county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six-(twenty-one), article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. SALARIES; DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS AND THEIR SALARIES.

§7-7-6(21). Assistant and stenographer for prosecuting attorney of Lewis county.

1 For the county of Lewis, one assistant attorney, not more than one thousand eight hundred dollars; one stenographer, not less than two thousand nor more than four thousand dollars.

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**CHAPTER 9**

(House Bill No. 10—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Seibert)

(Passed June 19, 1970; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section nineteen, article fourteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said article by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, all relating to the effect of rate changes in the gasoline tax on gasoline on hand or in inventory; and providing for payment of additional gasoline tax or refund of gasoline tax.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nineteen, article fourteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three-a, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 14. GASOLINE TAX.

§11-14-3a. Effect of rate changes; gasoline on hand or in inventory.

§11-14-19. Refund for gasoline exported, lost or from change of rate.

§11-14-3a. Effect of rate changes; gasoline on hand or in inventory.

It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Legislature that one rate of excise tax be applicable to all quantities of gasoline in this state on and after the effective date of any change of rate, whether increasing or decreasing such rate, under the provisions of this article. Any gasoline, on hand or in inventory, on the effective date of any rate change is hereby deemed to have been purchased or received on such date.

Every distributor, retail dealer or importer subject to the taxes imposed under the provisions of this article, who, on the effective date of any rate change, has on hand or in inventory any gasoline, upon which tax or any portion thereof has been previously paid and accrued, shall take a physical inventory and shall file a report thereof with the tax commissioner, in the form as prescribed by the tax commissioner, within thirty days thereafter, and shall pay to the tax commissioner at the time of filing such report, any additional tax due under an increased rate and shall be entitled to refund of tax, under any decrease of rate, as provided in section nineteen of this article.
§11-14-19. Refund for gasoline exported, lost or from change of rate.

1 Any distributor who shall export gasoline from West Virginia to any other state or nation, may be refunded a sum equal to the amount of such excise tax paid on such gallonage upon application made on proper forms to the tax commissioner within thirty days after the close of the month in which such gasoline was exported.

2 Any distributor who shall in the conduct of his wholesale gasoline business, sustain losses of gasoline by reason of shrinkage or evaporation, which gasoline shall have been included in the measure by which the excise tax imposed by this article is determined, shall be refunded a sum equal to the amount of such excise tax on the gallonage lost, not to exceed one and one half of one percent of the gallonage handled during that month which has been previously included in the measure by which the excise tax imposed by this article is determined: Provided, That the tax commissioner shall cause refund to be made under authority of this section when application for refund, as herein provided, is filed with the tax commissioner within thirty days following the close of the month during which the gasoline was exported or lost, on forms prescribed by the tax commissioner, of the quantity of and full details concerning such gasoline exported or lost: Provided, however, That the tax commissioner may cause refund to be made on gasoline exported to another state or nation when such gasoline has been included in the measure of tax, and the tax has been erroneously paid to the state of West Virginia, when an application for refund of the excise tax is made within thirty days following the discovery of such erroneous payment and not more than two years after the date of such erroneous payment.

3 Every distributor shall be entitled to a refund from the state of West Virginia of the amount of gasoline tax paid by him, on any gasoline lost or destroyed, while he shall be the owner thereof, through fire, lightning, breakage or flood: Provided further, That such distributor shall notify the tax commissioner in writing of such loss or destruction, and the quantity of gasoline lost or
destroyed, within ten days after the date of discovery of such loss or destruction: And provided further, That within thirty days after the discovery of such loss or destruction, such distributor shall file with the tax commissioner an affidavit sworn to by him, setting forth in full the circumstances and quantity of the loss or destruction, and such other information with respect thereto as the tax commissioner may require.

Every distributor, retail dealer or importer shall be entitled to a refund from the state of West Virginia of the amount resulting from a change of rate decreasing the tax under the provisions of this article on gasoline on hand and in inventory on the effective date of such rate change, which gasoline shall have previously been included in the measure by which the excise tax imposed by this article is determined and previously paid by him: Provided, That such distributor, retail dealer or importer shall take a physical inventory, on the effective date of such rate change and file a report with the tax commissioner, in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner, within thirty days after the effective date of the rate change.

CHAPTER 10

(House Bill No. 1—By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. McManus)

[Passed June 18, 1970; in effect July 1, 1970. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections four-a, four-b, four-c and seventy-four, article twenty-one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said article by adding thereto a new section, designated section four-d, relating to the rates of the personal income tax, the effect of rate changes, and employers' returns and payment of withheld taxes.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four-a, four-b, four-c and seventy-four, article twenty-one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section four-d, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 21. PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

§11-21-4a. Rate of tax—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1963, and before January 1, 1970.


§11-21-4c. Same—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1971.

§11-21-4d. Effect of rate changes during a taxable year.

§11-21-74. Employer's return and payment of withheld taxes.

§11-21-4a. Rate of tax—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1963, and before January 1, 1970.

1 (a) Rate of Tax on Individuals, Heads of Households, Estates and Trusts.—The tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income of every individual, every individual who is a head of a household in the determination of his federal income tax for the taxable year, and every estate and trust shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(c) Applicability of This Section.—The provisions of this section shall be applicable in determining the rate of tax imposed by this article for all taxable years or portions thereof beginning on or after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, and before the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy.


(a) Rate of Tax on Individuals, Heads of Households, Estates and Trusts.—The tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income of every individual, every individual who is a head of a household in the determination of his federal income tax for the taxable year, and every estate and trust shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(c) **Applicability of This Section.**—The provisions of this section shall be applicable in determining the rate of tax imposed by this article for all taxable years or portions thereof beginning on or after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy, and before the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

§11-21-4c. Same—Taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1971.

(a) **Rate of Tax on Individuals, Heads of Households, Estates and Trusts.**—The tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income of every individual, every individual who is a head of a household in the determination of his federal income tax for the taxable year, and every estate and trust shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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(b) Rate of Tax in Case of Joint Return or Return of Surviving Spouse.—In the case of a joint return of a husband and wife and the return of an individual who is entitled to file his federal income tax return for the taxable year as a surviving spouse, the tax imposed by section three of this article on the West Virginia taxable income shall be determined in accordance with the following table:
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§11-21-4d. Effect of rate changes during a taxable year.

(a) If any rate of tax imposed by this article changes to become effective after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred sixty-two, and if the taxable year includes the effective date of the change of rate (unless that date is the first day of the taxable year), then: (1) Tentative taxes shall be computed by applying the rate for the period before the effective date of the change of rate, and the rate for the period on and after such date, to the taxable income for the entire taxable year; and (2) the tax for such taxable year shall be the sum of that proportion of each tentative tax which the number of days in each period bears to the number of days in the entire taxable year.

(b) For purposes of subsection (a)—

(1) if the rate changes for taxable years “beginning after” or “ending after” a certain date, the following day shall be considered the effective date of the change; and

(2) if a rate changes for taxable years “beginning on or after” a certain date, that date shall be considered the effective date of the change of rate.

§11-21-74. Employer's return and payment of withheld taxes.

(a) General.—Every employer required to deduct and withhold tax under this article shall, for each calendar quarter, on or before the last day of the month following the close of such calendar quarter, file a withholding return as prescribed by the tax commissioner and pay over to the tax commissioner the taxes so required to be deducted and withheld; but the tax commissioner may, by regulation, provide that every such employer shall on or before the fifteenth day of each month pay over to the tax commissioner, or a depository designated by the tax commissioner, the taxes so required to be de-
ducted and withheld if such taxes aggregate one hundred dollars or more for the preceding calendar month. Where the aggregate amount so deducted and withheld by any employer is less than twenty-five dollars in a calendar quarter and the aggregate for the calendar year can reasonably be expected to be less than one hundred dollars, the tax commissioner may by regulation permit an employer to file an annual return. The tax commissioner may, if he believes such action necessary for the protection of the revenues, require any employer to make such return and pay to him the tax deducted and withheld at any time, or from time to time.

(b) Monthly Returns and Payments of Withheld Tax for April, May and June, 1971.—Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), in the case of each of the months of April, May and June, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, every employer required to deduct and withhold tax under this article, except any employer with respect to whom the tax commissioner may have by regulation provided otherwise in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a), shall, for the months of April and May, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, file a withholding return for each of such months as prescribed by the tax commissioner and pay over to the tax commissioner the taxes so required to be deducted and withheld for each of such months by the twentieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, and shall file a withholding return for the month of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, and pay over to the tax commissioner the taxes so required to be deducted and withheld for such month by the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

(c) Deposit In Trust for Tax Commissioner.—Whenever any employer fails to collect, truthfully account for, pay over the tax, or make returns of the tax as required in this section, the tax commissioner may serve a notice requiring such employer to collect the taxes which become collectible after service of such notice, to deposit such taxes in a bank approved by the tax commissioner, in a separate account, in trust for and payable to the
tax commissioner, and to keep the amount of such tax in such account until payment over to the tax commissioner. Such notice shall remain in effect until a notice of cancellation is served by the tax commissioner.
RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4
(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Watson)
[Adopted June 19, 1970]
Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to study the proposal for a central mental health complex for the State of West Virginia.

WHEREAS, A coordinated mental health and rehabilitation program is vital to the welfare of the citizens of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, The Legislature recognizes the need for a careful survey of the advisability of establishing a central state mental health complex; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:
That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby directed to conduct a study of the concepts of mental health treatment with a view toward establishment of a central state mental health complex and to determine the role present mental health facilities and programs would play should such a complex be constructed; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with any proposed legislation the Committee may recommend; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such a study be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5
(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiarsky, and Mr. Lohr)
[Adopted June 19, 1970]
Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to study the State Teachers Retirement System and the annuities provided for thereunder.
WHEREAS, There have been enacted recent increases in benefits to be paid under the State Teachers Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, There are different benefits provided for annuitants based on their dates of retirement, which differences may contain inequities that can and should be corrected; and

WHEREAS, Any changes in the benefits under the State Teachers Retirement System must be made with care because of the effect these changes can have on the actuarial soundness of the funds involved; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance make a study of the State Teachers Retirement System and the various annuities provided for thereunder; and, be it

Further Resolved, That a report containing the results of such study and any recommendations and drafts of proposed legislation be submitted to the Legislature at its regular session, 1971; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such a study shall be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boiersky, and Mr. Watson)

[Adopted June 19, 1970]

Directing the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to make a study of the desirability and possible effect of a homestead exemption amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia.

WHEREAS, The property tax on an individual's homestead is not based on nor does it reflect his ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, Payment of tax on homesteads most adversely affects those with limited fixed incomes, especially the elderly; and

WHEREAS, A loss of part of their tax base could have a detrimental effect on local governmental units, which loss should
be identified clearly before preparing and submitting any such constitutional amendment to a vote of our citizens; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance be and hereby is directed to examine and study the subject of a homestead exemption amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, its desirability, possible form and the effect thereof; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee submit its report to the regular session of the Legislature, 1971, with its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of any proposed legislation to carry its recommendations into effect; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct such study, to prepare a report and to draft proposed legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8
(By Mr. Huffman and Mr. Fantasia)
[Adopted June 19, 1970]

Urging the Department of Welfare to continue present levels of welfare programs, to keep the Legislature fully informed and to report to the Legislature its recommendations for improvements in various welfare programs.

WHEREAS, The Legislature desires to record its intention that the level of these programs not be decreased between now and the next regular session of the Legislature in January 1971, at which regular session the Legislature can consider any necessary appropriation of funds to maintain and to improve present welfare program levels; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Department of Welfare be urged to continue present levels of welfare programs between now and the next regular
session of the Legislature, that the Department keep the Legislature fully informed of fiscal matters related thereto and that the Department report to the Legislature at the beginning of its regular session in 1971 the Department's recommendations regarding any legislative action or appropriation of funds that might be required to maintain the programs administered by the Department, as well as its recommendations for improvements in various welfare programs; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Welfare is hereby advised of the intention of the Legislature to provide all reasonable and necessary funds for continuing the operation of the program of the Department of Welfare without any reduction of the level of benefits and that the Legislature stands ready at all times to review and consider the requirements of the Department of Welfare in order that the benefits to welfare recipients will not have to be decreased; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Commissioner of the Department of Welfare be requested to report monthly to the Legislative Auditor in regard to the level of benefits being paid to welfare recipients and in regard to the amount of funds available for such purposes.
DISPOSITION OF BILLS ENACTED

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