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AN ACT to amend and reenact §17-16A-11 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing the issuance of new parkway revenue bonds; establishing a two hundred million dollar ceiling on the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such parkway revenue bonds issued under such section from time to time outstanding; setting forth method of calculation of outstanding bond indebtedness; limitations; authorized expenditures of bond proceeds; specifying condition precedent to issuance of additional bonds; and limiting effect of amendments to section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §17-16A-11 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 16A. WEST VIRGINIA PARKWAYS, ECONOMIC DEVELOP-MENT AND TOURISM AUTHORITY.

§17-16A-11. Parkway revenue bonds—West Virginia turnpike; related projects.

1 (a) The parkways authority is authorized to provide by resolution, at one time or from time to time, for the issuance of parkway revenue bonds of the state in an aggregate outstanding 3 principal amount not to exceed, from time to time, two hundred 4 5 million dollars for the purpose of paying: (i) All or any part of the cost of the West Virginia turnpike, which may include, but 6 not be limited to, an amount equal to the state funds used to 7 upgrade the West Virginia turnpike to federal interstate stan-8 dards; (ii) all or any part of the cost of any one or more parkway 9 projects that involve improvements to or enhancements of the 10 West Virginia turnpike, including, without limitation, 11 lane-widening on the West Virginia turnpike and that are or 12 have been recommended by the parkways authority's traffic 13 engineers or consulting engineers or by both of them prior to the 14 issuance of parkway revenue bonds for the project or projects; 15 and (iii) to the extent permitted by federal law, all or any part of 16 17 the cost of any related parkway project. For purposes of this section only, a "related parkway project" means any information 18 center, visitors' center or rest stop, or any combination thereof, 19 and any expressway, turnpike, trunkline, feeder road, state local 20 21 service road or park and forest road which connects to or 22 intersects with the West Virginia turnpike and is located within seventy-five miles of the turnpike as it exists on the first day of 23 24 June, one thousand nine hundred eighty-nine, or any subsequent 25 expressway, trunkline, feeder road, state local service road or 26 park and forest road constructed pursuant to this article: 27 Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed as 28 prohibiting the parkways authority from issuing parkway 29 revenue bonds pursuant to section ten of this article for the 30 purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of any related parkway project: *Provided, however*, That none of the proceeds 31 32 of the issuance of parkway revenue bonds under this section 33 shall be used to pay all or any part of the cost of any economic 34 development project, except as provided in section twenty-three of this article: Provided further, That nothing in this section 35

36 shall be construed as prohibiting the parkways authority from 37 issuing additional parkway revenue bonds to the extent permit-38 ted by applicable federal law for the purpose of constructing, 39 maintaining and operating any highway constructed in whole or in part with money obtained from the Appalachian regional 40 41 commission as long as the highway connects to the West Virginia turnpike as it existed as of the first day of June, one 42 43 thousand nine hundred eighty-nine: And provided further, That, 44 for purposes of this section, in determining the amount of bonds 45 outstanding, from time to time, within the meaning of this 46 section: Original par amount or original stated principal amount 47 at the time of issuance of bonds shall be used to determine the 48 principal amount of bonds outstanding, except that the amount 49 of parkway revenue bonds outstanding under this section may 50 not include any bonds that have been retired through payment, 51 defeased through the deposit of funds irrevocably set aside for 52 payment or otherwise refunded so that they are no longer 53 secured by toll revenues of the West Virginia turnpike: And 54 provided further, That the authorization to issue bonds under 55 this section is in addition to the authorization and power to issue 56 bonds under any other section of this code: And provided 57 further, That, without limitation of the authorized purposes for 58 which parkway revenue bonds are otherwise permitted to be 59 issued under this section, and without increasing the maximum 60 principal par amount of parkway revenue bonds permitted to be 61 outstanding, from time to time, under this section, the authority 62 is specifically authorized by this section to issue, at one time or 63 from time to time, by resolution or resolutions under this 64 section, parkway revenue bonds under this section for the 65 purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of one or more parkway projects that: (i) Consist of enhancements or improve-66 67 ments to the West Virginia turnpike, including, without limita-68 tion, projects involving lane widening, resurfacing, surface 69 replacement, bridge replacement, bridge improvements and 70 enhancements, other bridge work, drainage system improve-71 ments and enhancements, drainage system replacements, safety 72 improvements and enhancements, and traffic flow improve-73 ments and enhancements; and (ii) have been recommended by

the authority's consulting engineers or traffic engineers, or both, prior to the issuance of the bonds. Except as otherwise specifi-cally provided in this section, the issuance of parkway revenue bonds pursuant to this section, the maturities and other details of the bonds, the rights of the holders of the bonds, and the rights, duties and obligations of the parkways authority in respect of the bonds shall be governed by the provisions of this article insofar as the provisions are applicable.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, no additional bonds authorized by the amendments to this section enacted during the regular session of the Legislature in the year two thousand four may be issued until the parkways authority has adopted by written resolution a final, irrevocable decision to fully fund and complete the construction of a Shady Spring connector and interchange connecting to the West Virginia tumpike from its toll funds or from the proceeds of bonds issued for that purpose pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or from both, or funded, in whole or in part, by federal highway funds if they are available.

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