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(By Delegates Michael and Kominar)

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AN ACT to amend the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto two new sections, designated §22-3-11a and 22-3-32a, all relating generally to the special reclamation tax and special tax on coal production; clarifying that both of these taxes apply to production of thin seam coal and providing for payment thereof; and providing that the special reclamation is subject to the West Virginia Tax Crimes and Penalties Act and the West Virginia Tax Procedure and Administration Act.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto two new sections, designated §22-3-11a and §22-3-32a, all to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 3. SURFACE COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT.

§22-3-11a. Special reclamation tax; clarification of imposition of tax; procedures for collection and administration of tax; application of Tax Procedure and Administration Act and Tax Crimes and Penalties Act.

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- 1 (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to clarify that from the 2 date of its enactment, the special reclamation tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of section eleven of this article is 3 4 intended to be in addition to any other taxes imposed on persons conducting coal surface mining operations including. 5 6 but not limited to the tax imposed by section thirty-two of this 7 article, the tax imposed by article twelve-b, chapter eleven of this code, the taxes imposed by article thirteen-a of said chapter 8 9 eleven, and the tax imposed by article thirteen-v of said chapter.
- 10 (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of section eleven 11 of this article to the contrary, under no circumstance shall an 12 exemption from the taxes imposed by article twelve-b, thirteen-13 a or thirteen-v, chapter eleven of this code be construed to be an 14 exemption from the tax imposed by section eleven of this 15 article.
- 16 (c) When coal included in the measure of the tax imposed 17 by section eleven of this article is exempt from the tax imposed 18 by article twelve-b, chapter eleven of this code, the tax imposed 19 by section eleven of this article shall be paid to the tax commis-20 sioner in accordance with the provisions of sections four through fourteen, inclusive, article twelve-b, chapter eleven of 21 22 this code, which provisions are hereby incorporated by refer-23 ence in this article.
  - (d) General procedure and administration. Each and every provision of the "West Virginia Tax Procedure and Administration Act" set forth in article ten, chapter eleven of the code applies to the special tax imposed by section eleven of this article with like effect as if such act were applicable only to the special tax imposed by said section eleven and were set forth in extenso in this article, notwithstanding the provisions of section three of said article ten.

32 (e) *Tax crimes and penalties*. — Each and every provision 33 of the "West Virginia Tax Crimes and Penalties Act" set forth 34 in article nine of said chapter eleven applies to the special tax 35 imposed by section eleven of this article with like effect as if 36 such act were applicable only to the special tax imposed by said 37 section eleven and set forth in extenso in this article, notwith-38 standing the provisions of section two of said article nine.

# §22-3-32a. Special tax on coal; clarification of imposition of tax; procedures for collection and administration of tax.

- 1 (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to clarify that from the 2 date of its enactment, the special tax on coal imposed pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-two of this article is intended 3 to be in addition to any other taxes imposed on every person in 4 5 this state engaging in the privilege of severing, extracting, reducing to possession or producing coal for sale profit or 7 commercial use including, but not limited to the tax imposed by section eleven of this article, the tax imposed by article twelve-8 b, chapter eleven of this code, the taxes imposed by article 9 thirteen-a of said chapter eleven and the tax imposed by article 10 11 thirteen-v of said chapter.
  - (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of section thirty-two of this article to the contrary, under no circumstance shall an exemption from the taxes imposed by article twelve-b, thirteen-a or thirteen-v, chapter eleven of this code be construed to be an exemption from the tax imposed by section thirty-two of this article.

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18 (c) When coal included in the measure of the tax imposed 19 by section thirty-two of this article is exempt from the tax 20 imposed by article twelve-b, chapter eleven of this code, the tax 21 imposed by section thirty-two of this article shall be paid to the 22 tax commissioner in accordance with the provisions of sections

- 23 four through fourteen, article twelve-b, chapter eleven of this
- 24 code, which provisions are hereby incorporated by reference in
- 25 this article.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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