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(By Senators Tomblin, Mr. President, and Spocis,
By Request of the Executive)

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[Passed April 9, 2005; to take effect July 1, 2005.]

AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5A-2-34, relating to requiring a study of the centralized accounting system of the State to determine whether improvements are necessary to obtain optimal function and economical operation of the system, including, but not limited to whether a transfer of responsibility for administration of the system is warranted or indicated to reach those ends, and for such other related purposes as the Secretary of the Department of Administration, the Secretary of the Department of Revenue, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Resources, the Secretary of the Department of Transportation, the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, the State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State may agree are advisable.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §5A-2-34, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. FINANCE DIVISION.

§5A-2-34. Study of centralized accounting system.

1 (a) The Legislature finds an examination of administra-
2 tion of the state's centralized accounting system is war-
3 ranted to determine whether improvements are necessary
4 to obtain optimal function and economical operation of
5 the system, including, but not limited to, whether a
6 transfer of responsibility for administration of the system
7 is warranted or indicated to reach those ends. It is,
8 therefore, the intent of the Legislature that appropriate
9 public officials conduct a study of the centralized account-
10 ing system and provide the results of the study and any
11 recommendations indicated for the improvement of the
12 system to the Legislature for its consideration.

13 (b) The Secretary of the Department of Administration,
14 the Secretary of the Department of Revenue, the Secretary
15 of the Department of Health and Human Resources, the
16 Secretary of the Department of Transportation, the West
17 Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, the State
18 Treasurer and the Auditor of the state shall conduct a
19 study of the centralized accounting system for the pur-
20 poses specified in subsection (a) of this section and for
21 such other related purposes as they may agree are advis-
22 able. The study shall include the examination of the
23 centralized accounting system by an independent consul-
24 tant agreed upon by the Secretary of the Department of
25 Administration and the Secretary of the Department of
26 Revenue after consultation with the remainder of the
27 public officials designated in this section to conduct the
28 study. A report of the study and any resulting recommen-
29 dations made by the public officials designated by this
30 section to conduct the study shall be submitted to the Joint
31 Committee on Government and Finance on or before the

32 first day of December, two thousand five, and shall include
33 the written report and any recommendations of the
34 independent consultant.

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

Charles White
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Chairman Senate Committee

W. Rube Blevins
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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect July 1, 2005.

Russell E. Helms
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Clerk of the Senate

Bruce M. Bond
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Carl Roy Tomblin
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President of the Senate

Robert H. Lass
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *3rd*
Day of *May* 2005.

[Signature]
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Governor

PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

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