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AN ACT to amend and reenact §21A-8-1 and §21A-8-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §21A-8-16, all relating to maintaining solvency of the Unemployment Compensation Fund; providing a mechanism for the Governor to borrow funds from the Revenue Center Construction Fund for a limited period of time and deposit those funds into the Unemployment Compensation Fund if the balance of the Unemployment Compensation Fund drops below \$20 million; providing that no amount borrowed shall exceed \$20 million; and providing for repayment of such borrowed amounts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §21A-8-1 and §21A-8-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §21A-8-16, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND.

§21A-8-1. Establishment.

- 1 There is hereby established as a special fund, separate and
- 2 apart from all public moneys or funds of the state, an
- 3 Unemployment Compensation Fund. The fund shall consist
- 4 of:
- 5 (1) All payments collected under this chapter.
- 6 (2) Interest earned upon money in the fund.
- 7 (3) Property or securities acquired through the use of the
- 8 fund.
- 9 (4) Earnings of such property or securities.
- 10 (5) Amounts transferred from the Employment Security
- 11 Special Administration Fund.
- 12 (6) Any moneys loaned to the fund pursuant to section
- 13 sixteen of this article.
- 14 (7) Any moneys received from the federal unemployment
- 15 account in the Unemployment Trust Fund in accordance
- 16 with Title XII of the Social Security Act, as amended.
- 17 All money in the funds shall be mingled and undivided.
- 18 Any interest required to be paid on advances under Title
- 19 XII of the Social Security Act, as amended, shall be paid by
- 20 the date on which such interest is due. No interest shall be
- 21 paid directly or indirectly from amounts in the Unemploy-
- 22 ment Compensation Trust Fund.

§21A-8-10. Withdrawals.

- 1 Except as provided in section thirteen of this article,
- 2 money shall be requisitioned from this state's account in the
- 3 unemployment trust fund solely for the payment of benefits
- 4 and repayment of any loans outstanding from the Revenue
- 5 Center Construction Fund as provided in section sixteen of
- 6 this article. The commissioner may requisition from the
- 7 unemployment trust fund such amounts, not exceeding the

- 8 amount of the account, as the commissioner determines to be
- 9 necessary for the payment of benefits for a reasonable future
- 10 period or to repay a loan outstanding from the Revenue
- 11 Center Construction Fund as provided in section sixteen of
- 12 this article.
- 13 Upon receipt of the money the commissioner shall deposit
- 14 it in the benefit account.

§21A-8-16. Loans to Unemployment Compensation Fund from Revenue Center Construction Fund.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the
- 2 contrary and subject to the provisions of this section, the
- 3 Governor is hereby authorized, by executive order, after first
- 4 notifying the presiding officers of both houses of the Legisla-
- 5 ture in writing, to borrow funds from the Revenue Center
- 6 Construction Fund created by chapter nineteen, acts of the
- 7 Legislature, first extraordinary session, two thousand six, for
- 8 deposit into the Unemployment Compensation Fund, created
- 9 in section one of this article, to be expended in accordance
- 10 with this code. The amount of funds borrowed and outstand-
- 11 ing under this section may not exceed \$20 million at any one
- 12 time, or the amount the Governor determines is necessary to
- 13 adequately sustain the balance in the Unemployment
- 14 Compensation Fund at a minimum of \$20 million, whichever
- 15 is less.
- 16 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this
- 17 section, the Governor may not borrow funds from the
- 18 Revenue Center Construction Fund unless the Executive
- 19 Director of Workforce West Virginia has projected that the
- 20 balance in the state's Unemployment Compensation Fund
- 21 will be less than \$20 million at any time during the next
- 22 thirty days.
- 23 (c) Any funds borrowed pursuant to this subsection shall
- 24 be repaid from funds on deposit in the Unemployment Trust
- 25 Fund in excess of \$20 million or from other funds legally
- 26 available for such purpose, without interest, and redeposited

- 27 to the credit of the Revenue Center Construction Fund
- 28 within one-hundred-eighty days of their withdrawal.
- 29 (d) No amounts may be borrowed pursuant to the provi-
- 30 sions of this section after September 1, 2011.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled. Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the Senate. In effect from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegates of the Senate Speaker of the House of Delegates The within Is appeare Day of

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