H. B. 106 1 2 3 (By Mr. Speaker, (Mr. Miley) and Delegate Armstead) [By Request of the Executive] 4 5 [Introduced March 14, 2014] 6 7 8 9 A BILL to amend and reenact \$29-22-18e of the Code of West 10 Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding 11 thereto a new section, designated \$29-22-18f; to amend and reenact §31-15-16b of said code; and to amend and reenact 12 13 §31-15A-17b of said code, all relating to debt service on bonds secured by the State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund; 14 15 clarifying the timing of debt service payments to the Cacapon 16 and Beech Fork State Park Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund; 17 providing a backup pledge of bonds supported by the State 18 Lottery Fund and State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund; clarifying 19 priority and method of payment of debt service; and making 20 technical corrections. 21 Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia: 22 That \$29-22-18e of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, 23 amended, be amended and reenacted; that said code be amended by 24 adding thereto a new section, designated §29-22-18f; that

- 1 §31-15-16b of said code be amended and reenacted; and that
- 2 §31-15A-17b of said code be amended and reenacted, all to read as
- 3 follows:
- 4 CHAPTER 29. MISCELLANEOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.
- 5 ARTICLE 22. STATE LOTTERY ACT.
- 6 §29-22-18e. Increase in allocation to State Park Improvement Fund
- 7 from State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund to permit
- 8 the issuance of bonds for improvements to Cacapon
- 9 Resort State Park and Beech Fork State Park.
- Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (d), section eighteen-a of this article to the contrary, the deposit of \$5 million into the State Park Improvement Fund set forth in section eighteen-a of this article is for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, only. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and each fiscal year thereafter, in lieu of the deposits required under subdivision (7), subsection (d), section eighteen-a of this article, the commission shall <u>first</u> deposit an amount equal to the certified debt service requirement for the following fiscal year, not to exceed \$3 million in any one fiscal year, into the Cacapon and Beech Fork State Park Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund created in section sixteen-b, article fifteen, chapter thirty-one of this code, to be used in accordance with the provisions of that section, and second, deposit \$5 million into the State Park Improvement

- 1 Fund, established in subsection (d), section eighteen-a of this
- 2 article, to be used in accordance with the provisions of that
- 3 section.
- 4 §29-22-18f. Backup pledge of bonds supported by the State Lottery
- 5 Fund and the State Excess Lottery Revenue Fund;
- 6 payment of bond debt service.
- 7 (a) Any and all remaining funds in the State Excess Lottery
- 8 Revenue Fund after payment of debt service pursuant to sections
- 9 eighteen-a, eighteen-d, and eighteen-e of this article shall be
- 10 made available to pay debt service in connection with any revenue
- 11 bonds issued pursuant to section eighteen of this article, if and
- 12 to the extent needed for such purpose from time to time.
- 13 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the
- 14 contrary, after first satisfying the requirements for funds
- 15 dedicated to pay debt service in accordance with bonds payable from
- 16 the State Lottery Fund pursuant to section eighteen of this
- 17 article, any and all remaining funds in the State Lottery Fund
- 18 shall be made available to pay debt service in connection with
- 19 revenue bonds issued pursuant to sections eighteen-a, eighteen-d,
- 20 and eighteen-e, of this article, if and to the extent needed for
- 21 such purpose from time to time.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (h), section
- 23 eighteen-a of this article, when bonds are issued for projects
- 24 under subsection (d) or (e) of section eighteen-a of this article,

- 1 or for the School Building Authority, infrastructure pursuant to 2 section eighteen-d of this article, higher education, or state park 3 improvements pursuant to section eighteen-e of this article that 4 are secured by profits from lotteries deposited in the State Excess 5 Lottery Revenue Fund, the Lottery Director shall allocate first to 6 the Economic Development Project Fund an amount equal to one tenth 7 of the projected annual principal, interest and coverage 8 requirements on any and all revenue bonds issued, or to be issued 9 as certified to the Lottery Director; and second, to the fund or 10 funds from which debt service is paid on bonds issued under section 11 eighteen-a of this article for the School Building Authority, 12 infrastructure pursuant to section eighteen-d of this article, 13 higher education, and state park improvements pursuant to section 14 eighteen-e of this article an amount equal to one tenth of the 15 projected annual principal, interest and coverage requirements on 16 any and all revenue bonds issued, or to be issued as certified to 17 the Lottery Director. In the event there are insufficient funds 18 available in any month to transfer the amounts required pursuant to 19 this subsection, the deficiency shall be added to the amount 20 transferred in the next succeeding month in which revenues are 21 available to transfer the deficiency.
- 22 CHAPTER 31. CORPORATIONS.
- 23 ARTICLE 15. WEST VIRGINIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.
- 24 §31-15-16b. Lottery revenue bonds for Cacapon Resort State Park

and Beech Fork State Park.

- (a) (1) The economic development authority shall, in accordance with the provisions of this article, issue revenue bonds, in one or more series, from time to time, to pay for all or a portion of the cost of constructing, equipping, improving or maintaining capital improvement projects under this section or to refund the bonds, at the discretion of the authority. The principal amount of the bonds issued under this section shall not exceed, in the aggregate principal amount of \$52.5 million. Any revenue bonds issued on or after the effective date of this section which are secured by lottery proceeds shall mature at a time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates. The principal of, and the interest and redemption premium, if any, on the bonds shall be payable solely from the Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks Lottery
- (2) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special revenue fund named the "Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks Lottery Revenue Service Fund" into which shall be deposited those amounts specified in section eighteen-e, article twenty-two, chapter twenty-nine of this code. All amounts deposited in the fund shall be pledged to the repayment of the principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, on any revenue bonds or refunding revenue bonds authorized by this section. The authority may further provide in the trust agreement for priorities on the revenues paid

1 into the Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks Lottery Revenue Debt
2 Service Fund as may be necessary for the protection of the prior
3 rights of the holders of bonds issued at different times under the
4 provisions of this section. The Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks
5 Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund shall be pledged solely for the
6 repayment of bonds issued pursuant to this section. On or prior to
7 May 1 of each year, commencing May 1, 2014, upon issuance of the
8 bonds, the authority shall certify to the state lottery director
9 the principal and interest and coverage ratio requirements for the
10 following fiscal year on any revenue bonds or refunding revenue
11 bonds issued pursuant to this section, and for which moneys
12 deposited in the Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks Lottery Revenue
13 Debt Service Fund have been pledged, or will be pledged, for
14 repayment pursuant to this section.

(3) After the authority has issued bonds authorized by this section, and after the requirements of all funds have been satisfied, including coverage and reserve funds established in connection with the bonds issued pursuant to this section, any balance remaining in the Cacapon and Beech Fork State Parks Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund may be used for the redemption of any of the outstanding bonds issued under this section which, by their terms, are then redeemable or for the purchase of the outstanding bonds at the market price, but not to exceed the price, if any, at which redeemable, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall be

- 1 immediately canceled and shall not again be issued.
- (b) The authority shall expend the bond proceeds, net of 2 3 issuance costs, reserve funds and refunding costs, for certified 4 capital improvement projects at Cacapon Resort State Park and Beech 5 Fork State Park. The Division of Natural Resources shall submit a 6 proposed list of capital improvement projects to the Governor on or 7 before January 1, 2013. Thereafter, the Governor shall certify to 8 the authority on or before February 1, 2013, a list of those 9 capital improvement projects at Cacapon Resort State Park and Beech 10 Fork State Park that will receive funds from the proceeds of bonds 11 issued pursuant to this section. At any time prior to the issuance 12 of bonds under this section, the Governor may certify to the 13 authority a revised list of capital improvement projects at Cacapon 14 Resort State Park and Beech Fork State Park that will receive funds 15 from the proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to this section. The 16 Governor shall consult with the Division of Natural Resources prior
- 19 (c) Except as may otherwise be expressly provided by the 20 authority, every issue of its notes or bonds shall be special 21 obligations of the authority, payable solely from the property, 22 revenues or other sources of or available to the authority pledged 23 therefor.

17 to certifying a revised list of capital improvement projects to the

18 authority.

24 (d) The bonds and the notes shall be authorized by the

1 authority pursuant to this section, and shall be secured, be in 2 such denominations, may bear interest at such rate or rates, 3 taxable or tax-exempt, be in such form, either coupon or 4 registered, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such 5 medium of payment and at such place or places and such time or 6 times and be subject to such terms of redemption as the authority 7 may authorize. The bonds and notes of the authority may be sold by 8 the authority, at public or private sale, at or not less than the 9 price the authority determines. The bonds and notes shall be 10 executed by manual or facsimile signature by the chairman of the 11 board, and the official seal of the authority or a facsimile 12 thereof shall be affixed to or printed on each bond and note and 13 attested, manually or by facsimile signature, by the secretary of 14 the board, and any coupons attached to any bond or note shall bear 15 the manual or facsimile signature of the chairman of the board. In 16 case any officer whose signature, or a facsimile of whose 17 signature, appears on any bonds, notes or coupons ceases to be such 18 officer before delivery of such bonds or notes, such signature or 19 facsimile is nevertheless sufficient for all purposes the same as 20 if he or she had remained in office until such delivery; and, in 21 case the seal of the authority has been changed after a facsimile 22 has been imprinted on such bonds or notes, such facsimile seal will 23 continue to be sufficient for all purposes.

24 ARTICLE 15A. WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE AND JOBS DEVELOPMENT

1 COUNCIL.

2 §31-15A-17b. Infrastructure lottery revenue bonds for watershed 3 compliance projects.

- 4 (a) (1) The Chesapeake Bay has been identified as an impaired 5 water body due to excessive nutrients entering the bay from various 6 sources in six states, including wastewater facilities in West 7 Virginia. To restore the Chesapeake Bay, the states have agreed to 8 reduce their respective nutrient contributions to the Chesapeake 9 Bay.
- 10 (2) The Greenbrier River Watershed in southeastern West
 11 Virginia which encompasses approximately 1,646 square miles, the
 12 majority of which lies within Pocahontas, Greenbrier, Monroe and
 13 Summers counties, has been identified as an impaired water body due
 14 to excessive levels of fecal coliform and phosphorus entering the
 15 watershed from various sources, including wastewater facilities in
 16 West Virginia. To restore the Greenbrier River Watershed, the state
 17 agrees to reduce the fecal coliform and phosphorus contributions to
 18 the Greenbrier River Watershed.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, the Water Development Authority may issue, in accordance with the provisions of section seventeen of this article, infrastructure lottery revenue bonds payable from the West Virginia Infrastructure Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund created by section vine of this article and such other sources as may be legally

- 1 pledged for such purposes other than the West Virginia
- 2 Infrastructure Revenue Debt Service Fund created by section
- 3 seventeen of this article.
- (c) The council shall direct the Water Development Authority 5 to issue bonds in one or more series when it has approved 6 Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance projects and Greenbrier River 7 watershed compliance projects with an authorized permitted flow of 8 four hundred thousand gallons per day or more. The proceeds of the 9 bonds shall be used solely to pay costs of issuance, fund a debt 10 service reserve account, capitalize interest, pay for security 11 instruments necessary to market the bonds and to make grants to 12 governmental instrumentalities of the state for the construction of 13 approved Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance projects 14 Greenbrier River watershed compliance projects. To the extent funds 15 are available in the West Virginia Infrastructure Lottery Revenue 16 Debt Service Fund that are not needed for debt service, the council 17 may direct the Water Development Authority to make grants to 18 project sponsors for the design or construction of approved 19 Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance projects and Greenbrier River 20 watershed compliance projects: Provided, That the council shall 21 direct the Water Development Authority to provide from moneys in 22 the Lottery Revenue Debt Service Fund not needed to pay debt 23 service in fiscal year 2013 a grant of \$6 million to a Chesapeake 24 Bay watershed compliance project which opened bids on December 28,

- 1 2011, and further provided that such Chesapeake Bay watershed
- 2 compliance project shall receive no further grant funding under

(d) No later than June 30, 2012, each publicly owned facility

- 3 this section after receipt of the \$6 million grant.
- 5 with an authorized permitted flow of four hundred thousand gallons
 6 per day or more that is subject to meeting Chesapeake Bay
 7 compliance standards or Greenbrier River watershed compliance
 8 standards shall submit to the council a ten-year projected capital
 9 funding plan for Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance projects or
 10 Greenbrier River watershed compliance projects, as the case may be,
 11 including a general project description, cost estimate and
 12 estimated or actual project start date and project completion date,
 13 if any. The council shall timely review the submitted capital
 14 funding plans and forward approved plans to the Water Development
 15 Authority for further processing and implementation pursuant to
 16 this article. If the council finds a plan to be incomplete,
 17 inadequate or otherwise problematic, it shall return the plan to

(e) Upon approval, each proposed Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance project or Greenbrier River watershed compliance project, or portion of a larger project, which portion is dedicated to compliance with nutrient standards, or fecal coliform and

18 the applicant with comment on the plan shortcomings. The applicant

19 may then resubmit to council an amended capital funding plan for

20 further consideration pursuant to the terms of this subsection.

- 1 phosphorus standards, established for the protection and 2 restoration of the Chesapeake Bay or the Greenbrier River 3 watershed, as the case may be, shall be eligible for grant funding 4 by funds generated by the infrastructure lottery revenue bonds 5 described in subsection (b) of this section. At the request of the 6 applicant, the remaining percentage of project funding not 7 otherwise funded by grant under the provisions of this article may 8 be reviewed as a standard project funding application.
- (f) No later than December 1, 2012, the Water Development 10 Authority shall report to the Joint Committee on Government and 11 Finance the total cost of Chesapeake Bay watershed compliance 12 projects and the Greenbrier River watershed compliance projects and 13 the proposed grant awards for each eligible project. From the 14 proceeds of bonds issued under subsection (b) of this section, the 15 council shall direct the Water Development Authority to make grants 16 to eligible projects ready to proceed to construction and those 17 grant awards shall be pro rated to an equal percentage of total 18 eligible costs among all applicants for each eligible project as 19 certified by the Water Development Authority in its report to the 20 Joint Committee on Government and Finance dated November 28—26, 21 2012: Provided, That the final project, and its financing, is 22 consistent with the scope of the eligible project included in the 23 council's approval on December 5, 2012.
- 24 (g) Eligible projects that have obtained project financing

1 prior to December 31, 2012, may apply to the council for funding 2 under the provisions of this section. These applications shall be 3 processed and considered as all other eligible projects, and a 4 grant funding awarded shall, to the extent allowed by law, be 5 dedicated to prepay all or a portion of debt previously incurred by 6 governmental instrumentalities of the state for required Chesapeake 7 Bay nutrient removal projects or Greenbrier River watershed fecal 8 coliform and phosphorus removal projects, subject to the bond 9 covenants and contractual obligations of the borrowing governmental 10 entity. However, any private portion of funding provided by 11 agreement between a political subdivision and one or more private 2 entities, either by direct capital investment or debt service 13 obligation, shall not be eligible for grant funding under the 14 provisions of this article.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is the clarify the priority and timing of debt service payment and to make technical corrections to the statutes authorizing the issuance of Lottery revenue bonds for Cacapon Resort State Park and Beech Fork State Park and for watershed compliance projects.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.

\$29-22-18f is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.