WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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House Bill 3152

By Delegate Riley

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1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,

2 designated §24-2I-1, relating to exempting interest payments by public utilities on deposits

3 that are held for less than 18 months.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2I. NO INTEREST PAYABLE ON SECURITY DEPOSITS HELD UP TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS.

§24-2I-1. Public utilities not required to pay interest on security deposits held for up to 18 months.

- 1 Public utilities may collect and hold a security deposit in accordance with rules established
- 2 by the Commission. No interest shall be payable on such security deposits when a deposit is, no
- 3 later than 30 days following the 18th month of service date either (1) applied to the customer's
- 4 account or (2) otherwise returned to the customer.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to exempt interest payments by public utilities on deposits that are held for less than 18 months.

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