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House Bill 2935

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Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
then Finance]

**FISCAL
NOTE**

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §5B-2I-9, relating to the creation of a special revenue fund known as the
 3 Tourism Event Emergency Medical Services Fund, to be administered by the Department
 4 of Tourism.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2I. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM.

§5B-2I-9. Tourism Event Emergency Medical Services Fund.

1 (a) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special revenue fund to be known as
 2 the Tourism Event Emergency Medical Services Fund, to be administered by the Department of
 3 Tourism or their designee. The fund shall consist of all moneys received from legislative
 4 appropriations and other sources to further the purpose of this section.

5 (b) The purpose of the fund is to provide for additional emergency medical services
 6 ("EMS") during an event, festival, or surge in tourism activities where local EMS would be pushed
 7 to the limit. This fund shall be used to supplement those services through the hiring of additional
 8 public or private EMS personnel to fill in where they may be needed.

9 (c) All moneys distributed from this fund shall be used to support the purpose and intent of
 10 this section and all moneys must be spent to support the purpose for which the funding was
 11 derived. Any remaining moneys in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall be carried forward
 12 for use in the next fiscal year.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create a special revenue fund known as the Tourism Event Emergency Medical Services Fund, to be administered by the Department of Tourism.

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