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SENATE BILL NO. 29

(By Mr. Jackson + Mr. Moats)

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[Passed February 3, 1959; in effect July 1, 1959]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article three, chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the imposition, collection and disposition of special license fees payable by certain public utilities and manner of determination of such fees by the state auditor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article three, chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 6. Special License Fee.—(a) All public utilities

2 subject to the provisions of this chapter shall pay a special

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license fee in addition to those now required by law. The amount of such fees shall be fixed by the auditor and levied by him upon each of such public utilities according to the value of its property as ascertained by the last assessment, and shall be apportioned among such public utilities upon the basis of such valuation, so as to produce a revenue of one hundred fifty thousand dollars per annum, which fees shall be paid on or before the twentieth day of January in each year. Such sum of one hundred 11 fifty thousand dollars, together with that provided in sub-13 section (b) hereof shall be paid into the state treasury and kept as a special fund, designated "Public Service Commission Fund", to be appropriated as provided by law for the purpose of paying the salaries of the commission, as fixed by this chapter, its expenses and salaries, 17compensations, costs and expenses of its employees. 18 19 (b) All public utilities subject to the provisions of this 20 chapter shall pay a special license fee in addition to any and all fees now required by law. The amount of such fees shall be fixed by the auditor and levied by him upon each of such public utilities, in the proportion which

the total gross revenue derived from intrastate business done by each of such public utilities in the calendar year 25 next preceding bears to the total gross revenue derived 26 27 from intrastate business done in such year by all public 28 utilities subject to regulation by the public service com-29 mission, so as to produce a revenue of three hundred 30 thousand dollars per annum, in addition to such fees as 31 may be fixed by the auditor under the provisions of sub-32 section (a) hereof and which fees shall be paid on or 33 before the first day of July in each year. Such sum of 34 three hundred thousand dollars shall be paid into the state treasury and be kept, appropriated and used as provided 35 36 in subsection (a) hereof. 37 (c) Any balance remaining in said fund at the end of

37 (c) Any balance remaining in said fund at the end of 38 any fiscal year shall not revert to the treasury but shall 39 be credited by the auditor upon the amounts to be raised 40 for the next fiscal year, under subsections (a) and (b), 41 on the same basis and in the same proportion as said fund 42 was raised under said subsections. 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. Takes effect Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegate President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates The within _ this the day of .. 1959.

Governor