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(By Delegate Kidd)

[Passed February 21, 1986; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend section five, article one, chapter twentynine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended relating to determination by the archives and history division as to the whereabouts of furnishings missing from the capitol; prohibiting the sale or disposal of such furnishings through means other than surplus state property sales; requiring the return of any such located furnishings; and providing for reimbursement to current owners.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

CHAPTER 29. MISCELLANEOUS BOARDS AND OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 1. DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND HISTORY.

§29-1-5. Archives and history division; director.

- 1 (a) The purposes and duties of the archives and history
- 2 division are to locate, survey, investigate, register,
- 3 identify, excavate, preserve, protect, restore and recom-
- 4 mend to the commissioner for acquisition historic,
- 5 architectural, archaeological and cultural sites, struc-
- 6 tures, documents and objects worthy of preservation,
- 7 relating to the state of West Virginia and the territory

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8 included therein from the earliest times to the present. upon its own initiative or in cooperation with any private or public society, organization or agency; to conduct a 10 11 continuing survey and study throughout the state to 12 determine the needs and priorities for the preservation, 13 restoration and development of such sites, structures, 14 documents and objects; to direct, protect, excavate, 15 preserve, study, and develop such sites, structures, 16 documents, and to operate and maintain a state library 17 for the preservation of all public records, state papers, documents and reports of all three branches of state 18 19 government including all boards, commissions, depart-20 ments and agencies as well as any other private or public 21 papers, books or documents of peculiar or historic 22 interest or significance; to preserve and protect all battle 23 or regimental flags borne by West Virginians and other 24 memorabilia of historic interest; to designate appropriate monuments, tablets or markers, historic, architec-25 26 tural and scenic sites within the state and to arrange for 27 the purchase, replacement, care of and maintenance of 28 such monuments, tablets and markers and to formulate 29 and prepare suitable copy for them; to operate and 30 maintain a state museum; to cooperate with the state 31 geological and economic surveys in the survey's archaeo-32 logical work; to edit and publish a quarterly historical 33 magazine devoted to the history, biography, bibliography 34 and genealogy of West Virginia; and to perform such 35 other duties as may be assigned to the division by the 36 commissioner.

(b) With the advice and consent of the commission, in addition to the duties above set forth, the division shall determine the whereabouts of and require the return of furnishings missing from the capitol building, including, but not limited to, furnishings chosen or purchased for the capitol by its architect, Cass Gilbert. No furnishings from the capitol may be sold or disposed of except under the direction of the director of surplus state property pursuant to section three-a, article eight, chapter five-a of this code. If furnishings originally designated as capitol building furnishings have been sold or otherwise disposed of without the requisite sale procedures, such furnishings shall be returned to the capitol and, upon

50 presentation of proof of the amount paid, the current 51 owner shall be reimbursed for the cost of the furnishing 52 less any appropriate depreciation or wear and tear.

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- (c) With the advice and consent of the archives and history commission, the commissioner shall appoint a director of the archives and history division, who shall have: (1) A bachelor's degree in one of the social sciences, or equivalent training and experience in the fields of West Virginia history, history, historic preservation, archaeology, or in records, library or archives management; or (2) three years' experience in administration in the fields of West Virginia history, historic preservation, archaeology, or in records, library or archives management. Notwithstanding these qualifications, the person serving as the state historian and archivist on the date of enactment of this article shall be eligible for appointment as the director of the archives and history division. The director of the archives and history division shall serve as the state historian and archivist.
- (d) With the approval of the commissioner, the director shall establish professional positions within the division. The director shall employ the personnel within these professional positions for the division.
- (e) The director may promulgate rules and regulations concerning the professional policies and functions of the archives and history division, subject to the approval of the archives and history commission.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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| Takes effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegates President of the Senate Speaker of the House of Delegates |
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