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(By Delegate MR. Speaker, MR. CHAMBERS + Delegate Swann - By Request of the Executive]

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article nine, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to county board of education depositories; providing alternatives to bonding as a means of securing funds of a county board of education for a bank selected as a county board of education depository.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 9. SCHOOL FINANCES.

- §18-9-6. Transfer of moneys; appointment of treasurer; bonding of treasurer; approval of bank accounts; authority to invest; security for funds invested.
 - 1 The sheriff of each county shall remit to the board of
 - 2 education all moneys in his possession held on behalf of
 - 3 the county board of education, whether or not deposited
 - 4 in a bank or depository, unless the sheriff has been

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5 designated treasurer of the board of education as 6 provided in this section. Such transfer of funds shall be 7 made as of the balances on hand on the thirtieth day of 8 June of the year in which the board of education 9 appoints a treasurer other than the sheriff, and shall be 10 completed no later than the first day of August of that 11 year. Such transfer shall be adjudged complete and final 12 upon the approval of the sheriff's official settlement for 13 the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of June of the 14 year in which the board of education appoints a 15 treasurer other than the sheriff, and any minor adjust-16 ment made necessary by the actually known figures 17 shall also be made at that time. All balances in all 18 county school funds at the end of each month after the 19 thirtieth day of June of the year in which the board of 20 education appoints a treasurer other than the sheriff 21shall be transferred by the sheriff to the county board 22 of education not later than the tenth day of the following 23 month.

On or before the first Monday in May each county board of education shall upon recommendation of the county superintendent appoint a treasurer for the board. Such treasurer shall be the fiscal officer of the board. or an employee commonly designated as the person in charge of the financial affairs of the county board, or the county sheriff: Provided, That once a board of education has appointed a treasurer other than the sheriff, the sheriff shall not be named treasurer of the board in a subsequent year. Upon appointment this person shall be titled and referred to as treasurer of the board of education. For the faithful performance of this duty, such treasurer shall execute a bond, to be approved by the board of education, in the penalty to be fixed by the board of education, not to exceed the amount of school funds which it is estimated the treasurer will handle within any period of two months. The premium on such bond shall be paid by the board of education.

The board of education may open a bank account, or accounts, as required to adequately and properly transact the business of the district in a depository, or

46 banks, within the county. Such depositories, or banks, 47 shall provide bond to cover the maximum amount to be 48 deposited at any one time. However, the county board 49 of education may, in lieu of such bond, accept as security 50 for money deposited securities of the United States, or 51of a state, county, district or municipal corporation, or 52federal agency securities. One hundred ten percent of 53 the face or par value of such securities shall not be less 54 then the sum hereinbefore specified as the amount to be 55 named in the bond in lieu of which such securities are 56 accepted, or the county board of education may accept 57 such securities as partial security to the extent of their 58 face value for the money so deposited and require bond 59 for the remainder of the full amount hereinbefore 60 specified, to be named in the bond, and, in the bond so 61 required, such acceptance of securities as partial 62 security and the extent thereof shall be set forth. The 63 hypothecation of such securities shall be by proper legal 64transfer as collateral security to protect and indemnify 65 by trust any and all loss in case of any default on the 66 part of the banking institution in its capacity as 67 depository as aforesaid. All such securities shall be 68 delivered to or deposited for the account of the county 69 board of education, and withdrawal or substitution 70 thereof may be permitted from time to time upon 71approval by the county board of education by order of 72record, but such collateral security shall be released 73 only by order of record of the county board of education 74when satisfied that full and faithful accounting and 75 payment of all the moneys has been made under the 76 provisions hereof. In the event actual possession of such 77 hypothecated securities is delivered to the county board 78 of education, it shall make ample provision for the 79 safekeeping thereof, and the interest thereon when paid 80 shall be turned over to the banking institution, so long 81 as it is not in default as aforesaid. The county board of 82 education may permit the deposit under proper receipt 83 of such securities with one or more banking institutions 84 within the state of West Virginia and may contract with 85 any such institution for safekeeping and exchange of any 86 such hypothecated securities, and may prescribe the 87 rules and regulations for handling and protecting the 88 same.

On and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy-three, all levies and any other school moneys received by the sheriff and paid to the treasurer of the county board of education shall be deposited in these accounts, and all proper payments from such funds shall be made by the designated depository or bank upon order or draft presented for payment and signed by the duly authorized signatories of the board of education: Provided, however, That in determining the depository for board of education funds a board member who has a pecuniary interest in a bank within the county shall not participate in the determination of the depository for such funds.

If it be deemed that sufficient funds are on hand in any account at any one time which may be more than are normally required for the payment of incurred expenses, such funds in the amount so deemed available may be invested by the treasurer of the county board with the West Virginia municipal bond commission, or in guaranteed certificates of deposit issued by the depository or bank, or other guaranteed investments such as treasury bills, treasury notes or certificates of deposit issued by either the United States government or a banking institution in which federal or state guarantees are applicable. Interest earned in such investments is to be credited to the fund from which the moneys were originally available.

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