WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §12-3-10C

§12-3-10c. Transaction fees; disposition of fees.

(a) In order to promote and enhance the use of the state purchasing card program established by the provisions of section ten-a of this article and in order to maintain and develop the fiscal operations and accounting systems of the state, the Auditor and the treasurer may assess joint transaction fees for all financial documents that will be processed on the central accounting system. Such transaction fees shall be prescribed by legislative rule proposed in accordance with article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code and may include the following:

(1) A penalty fee to be assessed against spending units of state government who submit claims for payment of goods and services when those claims are authorized to be paid by use of a state purchasing card and the spending unit has failed to utilize the state purchasing card; and

(2) A transaction fee to be assessed against spending units of state government for every transaction received, electronically or otherwise, by the Auditor from the centralized accounting system.

(b) All fees collected under this section shall be deposited into the "Technology Support and Acquisition Fund" which is hereby created in the State Treasury to be administered by the Auditor. The Auditor and treasurer shall use moneys deposited in the fund to maintain and develop the state purchasing card program, support the fiscal operations of the state, including the state centralized accounting system, and to acquire and improve the technology required to support these functions: Provided, That expenditures from the fund are authorized from collections and are to be made only in accordance with an appropriation by the Legislature and in accordance with the provision of article three of this chapter and upon fulfillment of the provisions set forth in article two, chapter five-a of this code: Provided, however, That for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, expenditures from the fund may be made from collections: Provided further, That the Legislature is exempt from any fees imposed under this section.

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