

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §31-18C-7

## §31-18C-7. Pledge of credit of state and security for bonds.

(a) The state covenants and agrees with the holders of the bonds issued pursuant hereto as follows: (1) That such bonds shall constitute a direct and general obligation of the state; (2) that the full faith and credit of the state is hereby pledged to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds; (3) that an annual state tax shall be collected in an amount sufficient to pay, as it may accrue, the interest on such bonds and the principal thereof; and (4) that such tax shall be levied in any year only to the extent that the moneys in the veterans' mortgage fund irrevocably set aside for and applied to the payment of the interest on and principal of said bonds becoming due and payable in such year are insufficient therefor.

(b) In addition, in connection with any issue of bonds hereunder, the Governor may pledge or assign as security for the payment of the principal of or interest on such bonds, any of the following:

(1) The proceeds of any such bonds pending their use or of bonds which may be issued to renew such bonds;

(2) The loans made with the proceeds of such bonds including all collateral security for the payment of such loans;

(3) The proceeds of any mortgage or other insurance or guaranty or letters of credit or similar arrangements undertaken in connection with the financing of the program; and

(4) Any other assets, including certificates of any entity approved by the Governor received in exchange for loans pursuant to subdivision (k), section sixteen of this article, specifically designated for the purpose of paying any such principal or interest.

(c) Any such pledge or assignment by the Governor shall be valid and binding from the time it is made, and the lien of such pledge or assignment shall be enforceable and need not be perfected by delivery or any filing or further act. Such lien shall be valid against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of the lien of such pledge or assignment.