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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article nine, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to collection and disbursement of school money by sheriff, the signing of orders for the payment of money issued by the boards of education, providing a penalty for the forgery of signatures to orders for the payment of money, and continuing certain high schools.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, 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.

Section 3. Collection and Disbursement of School Money by Sheriff; Signing of Orders for Payment of Money Issued by Boards of Education; Forgery of Signatures; Penalty; Continuance of Certain High Schools. The sheriff shall receive, collect and disburse all levies and 5 other school money for the district. He shall keep accounts of the money belonging to the several funds and shall credit and charge every amount to the fund to which it belongs. The sheriff shall pay money only upon the 10 order of the board. The order shall specify the amount to be paid, the purpose for which it is paid, and the fund 11 to which it shall be charged. The order shall be signed by 12 the president and shall be countersigned by the secretary: Provided, however, That in counties having a 14 population in excess of fifty thousand as shown by 15 the last preceding federal census, such signatures and the signature of the sheriff authorizing the payment of such orders by a county depository may be made by means of such mechanical or electrical device as the board may Such mechanical or electrical device for the 21 making of the signatures of the president and secretary 22 shall be safely kept in the office of the secretary of the 23 board so that no one shall have access thereto except the president and secretary of the board and such of their re-24 25 spective employees as may be authorized to have access 26 thereto. Such mechanical or electrical device for the 27 making of the signature of the sheriff shall be safely kept 28 in the office of the sheriff so that no one shall have access 29 thereto except the sheriff and such of his deputies as may 30 be authorized to have access thereto. If any person shall 31 sign the names of the president or secretary of the board 32 of education without having authority so to do, by the use 33 of any mechanical or electrical device, or otherwise, or 34 use the facsimile of the signature of either of them on 35 any order, he shall be guilty of forgery; and if any person shall utter or attempt to employ as true such forged order, 36 37 knowing the same to be forged, he shall in either event, be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction, shall be con-38 fined in the penitentiary not less than two nor more than 39 40 ten years.

41 Any high school which has been established and maintained for teacher training and other educational purposes by any board or boards of education in connection with state institutions of higher learning, shall be continued and maintained in the manner provided by the act authorizing such school; except, that the advisory authority formerly vested in the district board or boards of education is hereby transferred to the county board of education; and the levy for the support of such school, formerly 49 laid by the district board or boards of education, shall be 50 laid on all the assessed property of the county, by the 52 county board of education. All expenditures from such 53 fund shall be paid on requisition issued by the county 54 board.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that

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