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SENATE BILL NO. 19

(By Mr. Bean, Mr. President, and Mr. Carrigan)

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[Passed February 16, 1959; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section seven-a, article one, chapter fifty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the disposition of coupons and bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 7-a. Photographing, Microphotographing or Reproducing on Film, Records, Papers or Documents; Destruction of Paid and Cancelled Bonds, Coupons and Interim Certificates.—Any public officer of the state may,
with the approval of the board of public works, cause any or all records, papers or documents kept by him to be photographed, microphotographed or reproduced on film. Such photographic film shall be of durable material and the device used to reproduce such records on such film shall be one which accurately reproduces the original thereof in all details. Such photographs, microphotographs or photographic film shall be deemed to be an original record for all purposes, including introduction in evidence in all courts or administrative agencies. A transcript, exemplification or certified copy thereof shall, for all purposes recited herein, be deemed to be a transcript, exemplification, or certified copy of the original. Whenever photographs, microphotographs or reproductions on film have been made and put in conveniently accessible fireproof files, and provision has been made for preserving, examining and using the same, the respective heads of the departments, divisions, institutions and agencies of the state may, with the approval of the board of public works, cause the records and papers so photographed, microphotographed or reproduced on film,
or any part thereof, to be destroyed; but before any such records, papers or documents are authorized to be destroyed, the board of public works shall obtain the advice and counsel of the state historian and archivist, or his designated representative, as to the desirability of placing the said records, papers and documents in the archives of that department, whereupon the board of public works may cause such records, papers and documents to be so transferred: Provided, however, That with respect to paid and cancelled bonds, coupons and interim certificates in the custody of the treasurer of the state of West Virginia of any and all West Virginia bond issues, the legislative auditor shall, at least once each year, if practicable, examine such cancelled bonds, coupons and interim certificates; and if he determines that the said bonds, coupons and interim certificates have been paid, then the legislative auditor shall list such paid and cancelled bonds, coupons and interim certificates by numbers and he shall then, in writing, certify such list to the commissioner of finance and administration and to the state treasurer.
Upon receipt of such certification from the legislative auditor, the state treasurer is authorized to destroy such listed bonds, coupons and interim certificates.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect 90 days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within this the day of , 1959.

Governor