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# SENATE BILL NO. 178

(By Mr. Mc Court )

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(By MR. McCourt)

[Passed February 21, 1963; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article thirteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the business and occupation tax, the right of appeal from an assessment of such tax, an appeal bond, a certificate of the tax commissioner in lieu of such appeal bond, and the procedure on appeal.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 8. Appeal.—An appeal may be taken by the 2 taxpayer to the circuit court of the county in which the

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activity taxed was engaged, or in which the taxpayer
resides, or in the circuit court of Kanawha county, within
thirty days after he shall have received notice from the
tax commissioner of his determination as provided in
section seven-b.

8 The appeal shall be taken by written notice to the tax 9 commissioner and served as an original notice. When said 10 notice is so served it shall, with the return thereon, be 11 filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court and dock-12 eted as other cases with the taxpayer as plaintiff and the tax commissioner as defendant. Before the appeal is heard, 13 14 the plaintiff shall file with such clerk a bond for the use 15 of the defendant, with sureties approved by said clerk, 16 the penalty of the bond to be not less than the total amount of the tax and penalties appealed from, and conditioned 17 18 that the plaintiff shall perform the orders of the court; 19 except that in lieu of said bond, the tax commissioner may 20upon a proper showing find and certify to said clerk that the properties of the plaintiff subject to the liens imposed 21 22 by sections twelve and fourteen of this article are adequate to secure the performance of the orders of the court. 23

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24 The court shall hear the appeal and determine anew 25 all questions submitted to it on appeal from the deter-26 mination of the tax commissioner. In such appeal a cer-27 tified copy of the tax commissioner's assessment shall be 28 admissible and shall constitute prima facie evidence of 29the tax due under the provisions of this article. The court 30 shall render its decree thereon and a certified copy of 31 said decree shall be filed by the clerk of said court with the tax commissioner who shall then correct the assess-32 33 ment in accordance with said decree. An appeal may be 34 taken by the taxpayer or the tax commissioner to the supreme court of appeals of this state. 35

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled

(Fasker Chairman Senate Committee Saudall) Chairman House Committee Originated in the Senate. From passage. Takes effect ..... Myle, twand , Clerk of the Senate ABlankenship Clerk of the House of Delegates Howard W. Carcon President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates The within <u>approved</u> this the <u>28</u> <sup>th</sup> day of <u>Jebruary</u>, 1963.

Governor

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