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AN ACT to amend and reenact section seven, article six, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to authority of the state office building commission of West Virginia to issue revenue bonds, and particularly, increasing the lawful aggregate amount of all issues of bonds outstanding at one time from two million dollars to ten million dollars.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 7. Commission Empowered to Issue State Office

2 Revenue Bonds; Grants and Gifts.—The commission is

hereby empowered to raise the cost of the project, as defined hereinabove, by the issuance of state office building revenue bonds of the state, the principal of and interest on which bonds shall be payable solely from the special fund herein provided for such payment. Such bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the commission which shall recite an estimate by the commission of such cost, 10 and shall provide for the issuance of bonds in an amount sufficient, when sold as hereinafter provided, to produce 11 such cost, less the amount of any grant or grants, gift or 12 13 gifts received, or in the opinion of the commission ex-14 pected to be received from the United States of America or from any other source. The acceptance by the com-15 mission of any and all such grants and gifts, whether in 16 17 money or in land, labor or materials, is hereby expressly authorized. All such bonds shall have and are hereby 18 19 declared to have all the qualities of negotiable instru-20 ments under the law merchant. Such bonds shall bear 21 interest at not more than four per cent per annum, payable semiannually, and shall mature in not more than 22 twenty-five years from their date or dates, and may be 23

made redeemable at the option of the state, to be exer-24 25 cised by the commission, at such price and under such 26 terms and conditions as the commission may fix prior to 27 the issuance of such bonds. The commission shall de-28 termine the form of such bonds, including coupons to be 29 attached thereto to evidence the right of interest pay-30 ments, which bonds shall be signed by the chairman and 31 secretary of the commission, under the great seal of the 32 state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons 33 attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of said 34 chairman of the commission. In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons shall 35 36 cease to be such officers before the delivery of such bonds, 37 such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if they had remained in 38 office until such delivery. The commission shall fix the 39 denominations of said bonds, the principal and interest 40 of which shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of 41 the state of West Virginia, at the capitol of said state, or, 43 at the option of the holder, at some bank or trust company in the city of New York to be named in the bonds in such

medium as may be determined by the commission. The said bonds shall be exempt from taxation by the state of 46 47 West Virginia, or any county or municipality therein. The commission may provide for the registration of such 48 49 bonds in the name of the owner as to principal alone, and as to both principal and interest under such terms and 50 51 conditions as the commission may determine, and shall 52 sell such bonds in such manner as it may determine to be for the best interest of the state, taking into consideration 54 the financial responsibility of the purchaser, and the terms and conditions of the purchase, and especially the 55 56 availability of the proceeds of the bonds when required for payment of the cost of the project, such sale to be 57 58 made at a price not lower than a price which, computed 59 upon standard tables of bond values, will show a net 60 return of four per cent per annum to the purchaser upon the amount paid therefor. The proceeds of such bonds 61 62 shall be used solely for the payment of the cost of the project, and shall be deposited and checked out as pro-63 vided by section four of this article, and under such 64 further restrictions, if any, as the commission may pro66 vide. If the proceeds of such bonds, by error in calculation or otherwise, shall be less than the cost of the project. 67 68 additional bonds may in like manner be issued to provide the amount of the deficiency, and unless otherwise 69 70 provided for in the trust agreement hereinafter men-71 tioned, shall be deemed to be of the same issue, and shall 72 be entitled to payment from the same fund, without pref-73 erence or priority as the bonds before issued, provided 74 that the aggregate amount of all issues of bonds out-75 standing at one time shall not exceed ten million dollars. If the proceeds of bonds issued for the project shall ex-76 77 ceed the cost thereof, the surplus shall be paid into the 78 fund hereinafter provided for payment of the principal 79 and interest of such bonds. Such fund may be used for 80 the purchase of any of the outstanding bonds payable 81 from such fund at the market price, but at not exceeding 82 the price, if any, at which such bonds shall in the same 83 year be redeemable, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall forthwith be cancelled, and shall not again 84 be issued. Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, 85 the commission may, under like restrictions, issue tem-

87 porary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of the latter. Such revenue bonds may be issued without any other proceed-89 ings or the happenings of any other conditions or things than those proceedings, conditions and things which are 91 specified and required by this article, or by the constitu-92 93 tion of the state. Revenue bonds issued under the authority herein granted shall be eligible as investments 94 for the workmen's compensation fund and as security for 96 the deposit of all public funds: Provided, however, That 97 no bonds or other obligations shall be issued or incurred 98 hereunder, and no contracts for erection of any new project entered into by the commission, unless and until 99 the plans, specifications and location of any new or addi-100 tional project, shall be first submitted to the Legislature 101 102 for its approval.

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

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