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AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article twenty-four, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the creation of a state system special capital improvements fund to be expended for all state institutions of higher education.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four, article twenty-four, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. FEES AND OTHER MONEY COLLECTED AT STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

- §18-24-4. Collection, disposition and use of additional registration fee; creation of a state system special capital improvements fund; revenue bonds.
 - In addition to all other fees imposed by the West Vir ginia board of regents, there is hereby imposed and

3 the board of regents is hereby directed to provide for
4 the collection of an additional registration fee from
5 all students in the amounts hereinafter provided.

6 For full-time students at each state institution of 7 higher education, the additional registration fee shall be fifty dollars per semester. The board of regents 8 9 shall have authority to increase such additional regis-10 tration fee at any institution of higher education for 11 students who are nonresidents of this state. For all 12 part-time students and for all summer school students, 13 the board of regents shall impose and collect such fee in proportion to, but not exceeding, that paid by full-14 15 time students.

16 The fee imposed by this section shall be in addition 17 to the maximum fees allowed to be collected under 18 the provisions of section one of this article and shall 19 not be limited thereby. Refunds of such fee may be 20 made in the same manner as any other fee collected 21 at state institutions of higher education.

22 There is hereby created in the state treasury a special23 capital improvements fund into which shall be paid

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24 on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, all proceeds of the additional regis-25 26 tration fees collected from students at West Virginia 27 University and at Potomac State College. Subject to any lien created by a pledge of the moneys in said 28 29 special capital improvements fund for the payment of 30 the principal of and interest on any revenue bonds 31 issued pursuant to this section prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, to 32 finance capital improvements at West Virginia Univer-33 sity and at Potomac State College, the board of regents 34 is empowered to expend moneys from this fund for 35 the benefit of any state institution of higher education 36 as provided in this section. 37

There is hereby created in the state treasury a second special capital improvements fund into which shall be paid on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred sixty-three, all proceeds of the additional registration fees collected from students at all state institutions of higher education other than West Virduction fees collected State College. Subject

45 to any lien created by a pledge of the moneys in said 46 capital improvements fund for the payment of the principal of and interest on any revenue bonds issued 47 48 pursuant to this section prior to the first day of July, 49 one thousand nine hundred seventy-one, to finance capital improvements at state institutions of higher edu-50 51 cation other than West Virginia University and Potomac 52 State College, the board of regents is empowered to 53 expend moneys from this fund for the benefit of any state institution of higher education as provided in this 54 55 section.

56 There is created in the state treasury a state system 57 special capital improvements fund to be expended by the board of regents for the benefit of any and all 58 59 state institutions of higher education. On and after the 60 first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventyone, the board of regents may periodically transfer from 61 62 each of the two special capital improvements funds previously established by this section into the state sys-63 64 tem special capital improvements fund moneys in excess 65 of the amount pledged for the payment of the prin-

66 cipal of and interest on any revenue bonds issued pur-67 suant to this section prior to the first day of July, one68 thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

69 The board of regents may make expenditures from 70 any of the special capital improvements funds established 71 in this section to finance in whole or in part, together 72 with any federal, state or other grants or contributions, any one or more of the following purposes: 73 (1) The acquisition of land or any rights or interest therein, 74 75 (2) the construction or acquisition of new buildings, (3) the renovation or construction of additions to exist-76 ing buildings, (4) the acquisition of furnishings and 77 equipment for any such buildings, and (5) the con-78 struction or acquisition of any other capital improve-79 ments or capital educational facilities at such state 80 institutions of higher education, including any roads, 81 utilities or other properties, real or personal, or for 82 other purposes necessary, appurtenant or incidental to 83 84 the construction, acquisition, financing and placing in 85 operation of such buildings, capital improvements or 86 capital educational facilities.

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87 The board of regents, in its discretion, may use the 88 moneys in such special capital improvements funds to 89 finance the costs of the above purposes on a cash basis, or may from time to time issue revenue bonds of the 90 91 state as provided in this section to finance all or part of such purposes and pledge all or any part of the moneys 92 in such special funds for the payment of the principal 93 of and interest on such revenue bonds, and for reserves 94 95 therefor. Any pledge of such special funds for such 96 revenue bonds shall be a prior and superior charge 97 on such special funds over the use of any of the moneys in such funds to pay for the cost of any of such pur-98 poses on a cash basis: Provided, That any expenditures 99 100 from such special funds, other than for the retirement of revenue bonds, may only be made by the board of 101 102 regents to meet the cost of a predetermined capital improvements program for one or more of the state 103 104 institutions of higher education, in such order of priority as shall have been agreed upon by the board of regents 105 and presented to the governor for inclusion in the annual 106 budget bill, and only with the approval of the Legis-107

108 lature as indicated by direct appropriation for the pur-109 pose.

Such revenue bonds may be authorized and issued 110 111 from time to time by the board of regents to finance in 112 whole or in part the purposes provided in this section 113 in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding the 114 amount which the board of regents shall determine can 115 be paid as to both principal and interest and reason-116 able margins for a reserve therefor from the moneys in 117 such special funds.

118 The issuance of such revenue bonds shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by the board of regents, 119 120 and such revenue bonds shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding forty years 121 122 from their respective dates; be in such form either 123 coupon or registered, with such exchangeability and interchangeability privileges; be payable in such me-124 125 dium of payment and at such place or places, within 126 or without the state; be subject to such terms of prior 127 redemption at such prices not exceeding one hundred five per centum of the principal amount thereof; and 128

129 shall have such other terms and provisions as the board 130 of regents shall determine. Such revenue bonds shall 131 be signed by the governor and by the president of the 132 board of regents authorizing the issuance thereof, under 133 the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the 134 135 facsimile signature of the president of the board of 136 regents. Such revenue bonds shall be sold in such man-137 ner as the board of regents may determine to be for the best interests of the state. 138

139 The board of regents may enter into trust agreements 140 with banks or trust companies, within or without the 141 state, and in such trust agreements or the resolutions 142authorizing the issuance of such bonds may enter into 143 valid and legally binding covenants with the holders 144 of such revenue bonds as to the custody, safeguarding and disposition of the proceeds of such revenue bonds, 145 the moneys in such special funds, sinking funds, reserve 146 funds, or any other moneys or funds; as to the rank and 147 priority, if any, of different issues of revenue bonds 148 by the board of regents under the provisions of this 149

150 section; as to the maintenance or revision of the amounts of such additional registration fees, and the terms and 151 152 conditions, if any, under which such additional regis-153 tration fees may be reduced; and as to any other matters 154 or provisions which are deemed necessary and advisable by the board of regents in the best interests of the 155 156 state and to enhance the marketability of such revenue 157 bonds.

158 After the issuance of any of such revenue bonds, the 159 additional registration fees at the state institutions of 160 higher education shall not be reduced as long as any 161 of such revenue bonds are outstanding and unpaid except 162 under such terms, provisions and conditions as shall be contained in the resolution, trust agreement or other 163 164 proceedings under which such revenue bonds were 165 issued.

166 Such revenue bonds shall be and constitute negotiable 167 instruments under the uniform commercial code of this 168 state; shall, together with the interest thereon, be exempt 169 from all taxation by the state of West Virginia, or by 170 any county, school district, municipality or political sub-

171 division thereof; and such revenue bonds shall not be 172 deemed to be obligations or debts of the state, and the 173 credit or taxing power of the state shall not be pledged 174 therefor, but such revenue bonds shall be payable only 175 from the revenue pledged therefor as provided in this 176 section.

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

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