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ENROLLED Senate Bill No. 720

(By SENATOR TUCKER)

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AN ACT to amend article two-c, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-two, relating to industrial and commercial development bonds generally, the ceiling and allocation of such bonded public indebtedness; making such bonds subject to unified volume limitations; providing certain limitations with respect thereto; limiting the amount of such bonds which may be issued in any calendar year; the authority of the governor's office of community and industrial development; procedures for allocating such bonds between the several counties, municipalities, the housing development fund and other utilities; providing for the expiration of such unused allocation at end of year and providing for exceptions which may forward into next year; the reservation of funds; providing for certain rules of construction and the automatic repeal of such section; and making the provisions of such section retroactive under certain circumstances.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article two-c, chapter thirteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-two, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2C. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT BOND ACT.

§13-2C-22. Ceiling on issuance of indebtedness subject to unified volume limitation.

- 1 (a) As used in this section, unless the context in which 2 used clearly requires otherwise the word or term:
- 3 (1) "Nonessential function bonds" means industrial 4 development bonds, consumer loan bonds, mortgage 5 subsidy bonds and bonds issued on behalf of §501(c)(3) 6 organizations or such bonds as may be subsequently 7 defined in the bill or other indebtedness which is subject to 8 the unified volume limitation for the state of West Virginia 9 or any other applicable volume limitation or ceiling and 10 which nonessential function bonds may not exceed the 11 unified volume limitation during any calendar year.
- 12 (2) "The bill" or "federal legislation" means H. R. 3838 13 currently pending in the Congress of the United States or 14 any similar legislation enacted by the Congress of the 15 United States.
- 16 (3) "501(c)(3) organization" or "§501(c)(3) 17 organizations" means those organizations qualifying for 18 tax exempt status and which are organized pursuant to 19 section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as 20 amended.
- 21 (4) "Unified volume limitation," "volume limitation,"
 22 or "ceiling" means the total face value amount of
 23 nonessential function bonds permitted pursuant to the bill
 24 to be issued during any calendar year by the state of West
 25 Virginia and its political subdivisions in combination and
 26 which, except for carry forward, if exceeded would deprive
 27 such bonds of any federally enacted tax-exempt status to
 28 the extent of such excess.
- 29 (b) Nonessential function bonds or other indebtedness 30 which are subject to the unified volume limitation for the 31 state of West Virginia or any other applicable volume 32 limitation or ceiling shall not exceed during any calendar 33 year the unified volume limitation. The unified volume 34 limitation shall be as established by the United States 35 Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or by the bill or 36 by any similar federal legislation passed by either the 37 United States House of Representatives or the United

38 States Senate at any time with an effective date which, if 39 such legislation were finally enacted, would affect the 40 unified volume limitation for West Virginia and its political 41 subdivisions.

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- (c) For calendar year one thousand nine hundred 43 eighty-six, the director of the governor's office of 44 community and industrial development shall determine the 45 unified volume limitation based on federal legislation 46 within ten days after the effective date of this section. On or 47 before the first day of each calendar year thereafter, the 48 director of the governor's office of community and 49 industrial development shall determine the unified volume 50 limitation for such year based on federal legislation. The 51 unified volume limitation for each calendar year shall be 52 allocated as follows:
- (1) (A) If mandated under federal legislation, an 54 amount equal to twenty-five dollars per resident of the 55 unified volume limitation for exclusive use by 501(c)(3) 56 organizations or such other amount, if any, as is mandated 57 to be set aside for use by 501(c)(3) organizations under 58 federal legislation, shall be available to the state of West 59 Virginia by the governor's office of community and 60 industrial development and to the counties on a first come, 61 first serve basis as provided in subsection (e) below, as 62 determined by the director of the governor's office of 63 community and industrial development.
- (B) In connection with the issuance of nonessential 65 function bonds or other obligation (other than obligation of 66 section 501(c)(3) organizations) for which an amount of 67 unified volume limitation is mandated to be set aside under 68 federal legislation, if any, such mandated amount for each 69 such issue shall be available to the state of West Virginia 70 and the counties on a first come, first serve basis as provided 71 for below.
- (2) The balance of the unified volume limitation after 73 substracting the allocation required by subdivision (1), 74 subsection (b) of this section shall be allocated as follows:
- (A) With respect to nonessential function bonds or other 76 issues subject to the unified volume limitation, other than 77 qualified mortgage bonds, one half of such balance shall be 78 allocated to the counties on a per capita basis using the 79 percentage of the state population residing in the county

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80 based on the census for the year one thousand nine hundred 81 eighty and one twelfth of such balance shall be allocated to 82 the housing development fund.

- (B) With respect to qualified mortgage bonds, one 84 quarter of such balance shall be allocated to the counties on 85 a per capita basis using the percentage of the state population residing in the county based on the 1980 census 87 and one quarter of such balance shall be allocated to the 88 housing development fund: Provided, That use of the 89 allocation by a county or municipality is conditioned upon 90 such county or municipality providing to the governor's 91 office of community and industrial development an analysis supporting the demand for the bonds to be issued 93 or firm commitments from qualified lenders participating 94 in the program.
- (3) If federal legislation terminates the authority of 96 governmental units to issue qualified mortgage bonds or 97 other nonessential function bonds subject to the unified 98 volume limitation listed in this section, the allocations 99 established pursuant to subdivisions (2)(a) and (2)(b) of this 100 subsection shall be allocated proportionally.
- (d) The director of the governor's office of community 101 102 and industrial development shall notify each clerk of the 103 county commission, or, when appropriate, housing 104 development fund of the total allocation available for use 105 by the state of West Virginia and the counties pursuant to 106 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section and available 107 to the counties and the housing development fund pursuant 108 to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section. All such 109 allocations shall be available for issues of the county 110 commission of a county, for issues of all municipalities 111 within a county, for issues by the housing development 112 fund, and other entities within that county authorized to 113 issue indebtedness under any provision of this code.
- 114 (e) Distribution of the county per capita allocation 115 pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2), subsection (c) of this 116 section shall be on a first come, first serve basis (except for allocations reserved for the housing development fund) and 118 shall not be distributed or allocated for any project until the governmental body seeking the same shall submit an 119 application for reservation of funds as provided in subsection (f) below. The governmental body must first

- 122 adopt an inducement resolution approving the prospective 123 issuance of indebtedness and setting forth the amount of 124 indebtedness to be issued. Within ten days of the 125 inducement resolution, each governmental body must 126 submit a notice of inducement signed by its clerk, secretary, 127 recorder or other appropriate official to the governor's 128 office of community and industrial development. Such 129 notice shall include such information as may be required by 130 the governor's office of community and industrial 131 development by rule or regulation.
- (f) Following the submission of its notice of inducement, 133 the governmental body at any time deemed expedient by it 134 may submit its notice of reservation of funds to the 135 governor's office of community and industrial development 136 which shall include the following information:
 - The date of the notice of reservation of funds;
- 138 (2) The identity of the governmental body issuing the 139 indebtedness;
- 140 (3) The date of inducement and the prospective date of 141 issuance;
- 142 (4) The name of the entity for which the indebtedness is 143 to be issued:
- (5) The amount of the issue, or, if the amount of an issue 144 145 for which a reservation of funds has been made has been 146 increased, the amount of the increase;
 - (6) The type of issue;

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- (7) A description of the project for which the bonds are 148 149 to be issued; and
- 150 (8) With respect to a notice of reservation of funds 151 received by the governor's office of community and 152 industrial development after the thirtieth day of September 153 of any year, substantial evidence that the indebtedness will 154 be issued prior to the first day of January of the subsequent 155 year.
- 156 (g) Upon receipt of the notice of reservation of funds by 157 the governor's office of community and industrial 158 development, such office shall immediately note upon the 159 face of such notice the date and time the same was so 160 received and shall within ten days certify to the 161 governmental body submitting the same (i) that the 162 statewide unified volume limitation has not been exceeded, 163 if such be the case; and (ii) that the amount of the issue has

- 164 been allocated and reserved in the name of such governmental body for the project for which the indebtedness is to be issued and, thereafter, the amount of 167 such issue shall be so allocated and reserved: Provided, 168 That no such allocation shall be made if the notice of 169 reservation of funds relates to an issue for which a previous 170 reservation of funds has expired until sixty days after the expiration date (as defined in subdivision (2) of subsection 172 (h) of this section), unless such allocation is requested by the 173 housing development fund.
- (h) (1) The governmental body shall submit a new 175 notice of reservation of funds pursuant to subsections (f) and (g) of this section for any increase in the amount of an issue for which a reservation of funds has been made. Such 177 notice shall be treated as a new request for a reservation of 178 179 funds to the extent of such increase.
- 180 (2) Except for allocations reserved by the housing 181 development fund, if the issue for which a reservation has 182 been made has not been finally closed within one hundred twenty days of the date of certification of reservation to be 183 184 made by the governor's office of community and industrial development, as required by the provisions of subsection (g) 185 above (referred to herein as the "expiration date"), and a 187 statement of closure which has been executed by the clerk, 188 secretary, recorder or other appropriate official of the governmental body reserving the same has not been 190 received by such office within that time, then such 191 reservation shall expire and be deemed to have been forfeited and the funds so reserved shall revert to the county 192 and/or state allocation, as the case may be, from which the 193 funds were originally reserved and the allocation will then 195 be made available for other qualified issues in accordance with this section: Provided, That as to any notice of 196 reservation of funds received by the governor's office of 197 community and industrial development during the month 198 of December in any calendar year with respect to any project qualifying as an elective carry forward pursuant to 200 201 the then applicable rules and regulations of the Internal 202 Revenue Service of the United States Department of the 203 Treasury, as published in the Federal Registry, such 204 reservation of funds and the allocation to which the same 205 relates shall not expire or be subject to forfeiture. All

206 requests for subsequent reservation of funds or 207 reallocations upon loss of a reservation pursuant to this 208 subsection (h)(2) will be treated in the same manner as a 209 new notice of reservation of funds in accordance with 210 subsections (f) and (g) above: Provided, That no such 211 request may be submitted to the governor's office of 212 community and industrial development until at least sixty 213 days after the expiration date.

- 214 (i) Any amount of the county allocation for any type of 215 issue pursuant to subdivision (2), subsection (c) of this 216 section remaining unreserved on the first day of October in 217 any calendar year (which amount shall be determined by 218 the director of the governor's office of community and 219 industrial development) shall be available to the counties 220 on a first come, first serve basis to be used for any type of 221 issue, as determined by the director of the governor's office 222 of community and industrial development. Any amount of 223 the allocation for any type of issue pursuant to subdivisions 224 (1) and (2), subsection (c) of this section remaining 225 unreserved on the first day of November in any calendar 226 year (which amount shall be determined by the director of 227 the governor's office of community and industrial 228 development) shall be reallocated in any manner prescribed 229 by the director of the governor's office of community and 230 industrial development.
- Any amount of allocation pursuant to subdivisions 232 (1) or (2), subsection (c) of this section remaining unused in 233 any calendar year (which amount shall be determined by 234 the director of the governor's office of community and 235 industrial development) shall be carried forward to 236 subsequent years, as permitted under federal legislation, 237 and each issuer is hereby deemed to have elected to carry 238 forward such allocations, and the director of the governor's 239 office of community and industrial development shall file 240 any election or notice required under federal legislation to carry forward any unused allocation.

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(k) It is intended that this section shall take effect upon passage and shall prevail over the provisions of section twenty-one and twenty-three-a of this article to the extent of any conflict between any of the provisions of such 246 sections (which are hereinafter referred to as the prior allocation statutes) and the provisions of this section. Such

248 prior allocation statutes shall remain in effect to the extent hereinafter provided: Provided, That if the bill is not 250 enacted by the date upon which the Second Session of the 251 99th Congress of the United States is adjourned, this section 252 shall be automatically repealed by operation of this 253 provision without any further action by the Legislature 254 being necessary and the prior allocation statutes shall 255 become fully operative. If the bill is enacted prior to such 256 adjournment, the prior allocation statutes shall no longer be operative without any further action by the Legislature 258 being necessary.

- (l) The allocation methodology provided for herein is 260 specifically enacted as a substitue methodology for that 261 established by the bill, and shall be deemed controlling over 262 that methodology.
- 263 (m) In the event the bill is amended so as not to have an 264 effective date which is retroactive, then the prior allocation 265 statutes shall be operative until such time as the bill is 266 enacted and a unified volume limitation becomes effective.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the
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