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H. B. 4277

(By Delegate Rollins)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article ten, chapter thirty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to further amend said chapter thirty-eight by adding thereto a new article, designated article ten-a, relating to the filing and recordation of federal tax liens and other federal liens generally; providing for an increase from twentyfive cents to two dollars in the fee for the recordation by the county clerk of any release or partial release of a federal tax lien, and providing a quarterly schedule for the payment of such fees by the Internal Revenue Service; providing for the filing of notices of liens, certificates, and other notices affecting federal liens for which the filing thereof is not otherwise provided: identifying the place of filing for federal liens upon real and personal property; providing for the certification of notices of liens, certificates, or other notices affecting federal liens; prescribing the duties of the clerk of the county commission, and establishing fees for indexing and filing.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article ten, chapter thirty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, and that said chapter thirty-eight be further amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article ten-a, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 10. FEDERAL TAX LIENS; ORDERS AND DECREES IN BANKRUPTCY.

§38-10-1. Recordation of federal tax lien: release: fee.

- 1 Notices of federal tax liens and certificates discharg-
- 2 ing such liens may be filed in the office of the clerk of
- 3 the county commission of one or more of the counties of
- 4 this state. The clerk of the county commission of every
- 5 county of this state shall keep in his or her office in a
- 6 bound book a federal tax lien docket, in which he or she
- 7 shall, upon the filing in the office of any notice of a lien
- 8 upon the property of any person in favor of the United
- 9 States for the amount of any tax, including any interest,
- 10 penalty, additional amount, or additions to such tax,
- 11 together with any costs that may accrue in addition
- 12 thereto, record such notice without delay. The clerk
- 13 shall index such notice in the name of the person against
- 14 whom the lien is claimed. No such tax shall be a valid
- 15 lien as against any mortgagee, purchaser or judgment
- 16 creditor, until such notice shall be filed in the office of
- 17 the clerk of the county commission of the county or
- 18 counties in which the property subject to such lien is
- 19 situated.
- 20 The clerk of such county commission shall, upon the
- 21 filing in his or her office of any release or partial release
- 22 of such lien issued by the Internal Revenue Service,
- 23 record the same and make proper marginal notation
- 24thereof in the federal tax lien docket.
- 25 No fee shall be charged by the clerk for recording a
- 26 notice of lien in favor of the United States for the
- 27 amount of any tax, but he or she shall charge a fee of
- 28 two dollars for recording a release or partial release of
- 29 such lien. If a release contains more than one reference
- 30 to a lien released, the fee shall be two dollars for each
- lien released thereby. The Internal Revenue Service 31
- 32 shall remit the fees to the appropriate clerk for all
- 33 releases or partial releases recorded. Such fees may, at
- 34 the discretion of the Internal Revenue Service, be

- 35 remitted quarterly on the thirty-first day of March, the
- 36 thirtieth day of June, the thirtieth day of September and
- 37 the thirty-first day of December and shall include all
- 38 fees due for the preceding three months of the quarter
- 39 for which the remittance is made.

ARTICLE 10A. FEDERAL LIEN REGISTRATION.

§38-10A-1. Scope.

- 1 This article applies only to federal lien notices which
- 2 under any Act of Congress or any regulation adopted
- 3 pursuant thereto are required or permitted to be filed
- 4 in the same manner as notices of federal tax liens.

§38-10A-2. Place of filing.

- 1 (a) Notices of liens, certificates, and other notices
- 2 affecting federal liens, for which filing thereof is not
- 3 otherwise provided for under the provisions of this code,
- 4 must be filed in accordance with this article.
- 5 (b) Notices of liens upon real property for obligations
- 6 payable to the United States and certificates and notices
- 7 affecting the liens shall be filed in the office of the clerk
- 8 of the county commission of the county in which the real
- 9 property subject to the liens is situated.
- 10 (c) Notices of federal liens upon personal property,
- 11 whether tangible or intangible, for obligations payable
- 12 to the United States and certificates and notices
- 13 affecting the liens shall be filed in the office of the clerk
- 14 of the county commission of the county wherein the
- 15 person against whose interest the lien applies resides at
- 16 the time of filing of the notice of lien. For purposes of
- 17 this subsection, the residence of a corporation or a
- 18 partnership shall be deemed to be the place at which
- 19 the principal executive office is located.

§38-10A-3. Execution of notices and certificates.

- 1 Certification of notices of liens, certificates, or other
- 2 notices affecting federal liens by the secretary of the
- 3 treasury of the United States or his delegate, or by any
- 4 official or entity of the United States responsible for
- 5 filing or certifying of notice of any other lien, entitles
- 6 them to be filed and no other attestation, certification,

7 or acknowledgement is necessary.

§38-10A-4. Duties of filing officer.

- 1 (a) If a notice of federal lien, a refiling of a notice of 2 federal lien, or a notice of revocation of any certificate 3 described in subsection (b) is presented to the clerk of the county commission, he shall endorse thereon his 4 5 identification and the date and time of receipt, file the 6 same, and forthwith enter and record the fact of such 7 filing in the index maintained for the public indexing 8 of federal liens in such a manner that a reasonable 9 inspection of the index will reveal the existence of the 10 instrument.
- 11 (b) If a refiled notice of federal lien referred to in 12 subsection (a) or a certificate of release, nonattachment. 13 discharge, or subordination of any lien is presented to 14 the clerk of the county commission for filing, he shall 15 endorse thereon his identification and the date and time 16 of receipt, file the same, enter and record the fact of 17 such filing in the index maintained for the public 18 indexing of federal liens, and enter and record the fact 19 of such filing in the public index on the line where the 20 original notice of lien is entered.
- 21 (c) Upon request of any person, the clerk of the county 22 commission shall issue his certificate showing whether 23 there is on file, on the date and hour stated therein, any 24 notice of lien or certificate or notice affecting any lien 25 filed under this article or previous federal tax lien 26 registration act, naming a particular person, and if a 27 notice or certificate is on file, giving the date and hour 28 of filing of each notice or certificate. The fee for a 29 certificate is \$2.00. Upon request, the filing officer shall 30 furnish a copy of any notice of federal lien, or notice or 31certificate affecting a federal lien, for a fee of \$1.00 per 32 page.

§38-10A-5. Fees.

- The fee for filing and indexing each notice of lien or certificate or notice affecting the lien is:
- 3 (1) For a lien on real estate, \$2.00;

- 4 (2) For a lien on tangible and intangible personal property, \$2.00;
- 6 (3) For a certificate of discharge or subordination, 7 \$2.00; and
- 8 (4) For all other notices, including a certificate of 9 release or nonattachment, \$2.00.
- 10 The clerk of the county commission shall bill the
- 11 appropriate federal officials on a quarterly basis for fees
- 12 for documents filed by them.



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