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Senate Bill No. 2

(By Senators Burdette, Mr. President, and Boley,

By Request of the Executive)

[Passed October 9, 1991; to take effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated article two-d, relating to permitting the public service commission to establish a program to encourage the use of natural gas, methanol as derived from coal, and electricity in new demonstration technologies, including alternative fuel vehicles; and providing that the sale of alternative fuels by nonutilities for certain purposes not be regulated by the public service commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 2D. ALTERNATIVE FUEL INITIATIVES.

§24-2D-1. Legislative findings.

1 The Legislature finds that there is growing concern

- 2 about the environment and our state's and nation's3 dependence on foreign oil.
- 4 The Legislature further finds that this state has an
- 5 abundant supply of alternative fuels and an extensive
- 6 supply network, and that by encouraging the use of
- 7 alternative fuels in new demonstration technologies
- 8 such as alternative fuel vehicles, the state will be
- 9 reducing dependence on foreign oil and promoting
- 10 improved air quality. Accordingly, the Legislature
- 11 finds that it is in the public interest to have the public
- 12 service commission develop and implement programs
- 13 designed to encourage the use of West Virginia alter-
- 14 native fuels as vehicle fuels and in other new demon-
- 15 stration technologies.

§24-2D-2. Incentives for use of alternative fuels in new technologies.

- 1 (a) For purposes of this section, "alternative fuel
- 2 vehicles" shall mean motor vehicles whose primary
- 3 source of fuel is natural gas, methanol, and/or
- 4 electricity.
- 5 (b) Upon a finding that it is in the public interest of
- 6 this state to authorize the same, as provided in section
- 7 one, article one of this chapter, the public service
- 8 commission shall authorize ratemaking allowances for
- 9 public utilities to encourage the use of alternative fuel
- 10 in new demonstration technologies, including alterna-
- 11 tive fuel vehicles, which provide incentives to encour-
- 12 age investments in such technologies.

§24-2D-3. Limitation on commission jurisdiction over sales by nonutilities of alternative fuel for certain purposes.

- 1 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the
- 2 contrary, the public service commission shall have no
- 3 jurisdiction over the ultimate sale by nonutilities of
- 4 alternative fuel to be utilized solely as fuel for motor
- 5 vehicles.

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