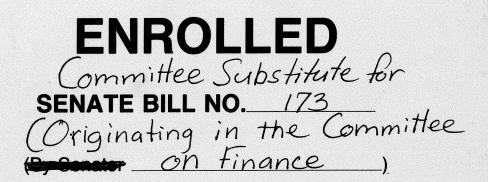
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# Senate Bill No. 173

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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one, two, six and seven, article thirteen-d, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; to further amend said article by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections three-c and five-b; and to amend and reenact sections two and nine, article fifteen of said chapter, all relating to the creation of a credit against the West Virginia business franchise tax and the West Virginia corporation net income tax for gualified investment of two million dollars or more in a management information services facility when such qualified investment is purchased, or leased, and placed in service or use over a period of not more than three hundred sixty-five days; setting forth legislative findings and purpose; defining terms; prescribing amount of credit allowed, application of credit, investment period limitations subject to extension by subsequent legislative amendment; limiting time during which qualified investment for a management information services facility may be purchased and placed in service or use and for which credit will be available, to the period from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, inclusive; providing tax year time limitations for application of credit over a ten-year period; providing for forfeiture of unused credit; providing that no carryback of credit to prior years shall be allowed; providing tax liability percentage offset limitations; limiting the amount of annual credit which any taxpayer or controlled group may take in any taxable year to a maximum of one million dollars; requiring an application for credit be filed with the tax commissioner; providing a penalty for failure to file an application for credit with the tax commissioner; defining qualified investment for a management information services facility, with application of percentages of the cost of property purchased to be determined in accordance with useful life or applicable lease term thereof; prescribing the manner for determination of the cost of property purchased or leased for management information services facilities in the case of trade-ins, damaged, destroyed or stolen property, rental property, property purchased for multiple use self-constructed property, and providing specific exclusions for investment in certain properties; providing for forfeiture of unused tax credits; providing for redetermination of credit in the case of premature disposition or cessation of use of property; providing for transfer of eligible investment to successors: requiring disclosure of the names and addresses of persons receiving the credit and the amount thereof by a bracketed amount category; requiring a report to be made to the Legislature during the regular legislative session of one thousand nine hundred ninety-two by the governor's office of community and industrial development analyzing the performance of the management information services facility credit and identifying the taxpayers taking the credit; providing for a change in the form of business of taxpayers holding qualified investment property relating to credit; providing for transfer or sale of qualified investment property to successors and acquisition of the amount of credit that remains available for successors in business, and allocation of annual credit between the transferor and the transferee in the year during which qualified investment property is transferred to a successor business; and creating a consumers sales and service tax exemption and use tax exemption for purchases directly used or consumed in operation of management information services facilities that qualifies for tax credit under section three-c, article thirteen-d of said chapter and defining terms.

### Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one, two, six and seven, article thirteen-d, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; that said article be further amended by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections three-c and five-b, and that sections two and nine, article fifteen of said chapter, as amended, be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

### ARTICLE 13D. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX CREDIT FOR INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION AND REVITALIZATION, FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, CERTAIN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS AND MAN-AGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES FACILITIES.

### §11-13D-1. Legislative findings and purpose.

1 The Legislature finds that the encouragement of the 2 location of new industry in this state; the expansion, 3 growth and revitalization of existing industrial facili-4 ties in this state; the conduct of research and develop-5 ment in this state, for purposes of expanding markets 6 for sales and uses of this state's natural resources and 7 industrial products, the construction of residential 8 housing and the creation or expansion of management 9 information services facilities are all in the public 10 interest and promote the general welfare of the people 11 of this state.

12 In order to encourage capital investment in this 13 state and thereby increase employment and economic 14 development, there is hereby provided a tax credit for 15 industrial expansion and revitalization in this state, for 16 certain research and development related expendi17 tures in this state, for certain housing and develop-18 ment related expenditures in this state and for the19 creation or expansion of certain management informa-20 tion services facilities in this state.

### §11-13D-2. Definitions.

1 (a) Any term used in this article shall have the same 2 meaning as when used in a comparable context in 3 article thirteen of this chapter, unless a different 4 meaning is clearly required by the context of its use 5 or by definition in this article.

6 (b) For purpose of this article, the term:

7 (1) "Eligible investment" means that amount deter-8 mined under either section four of this article, for 9 investment in a new or expanded or revitalized 10 industrial facility, or under section five of this article, 11 in the case of an eligible research and development 12 project, under section five-a for a qualified housing 13 development project, or under five-b for a manage-14 ment information services facility.

15 (2) Eligible taxpayer.

16 (A) "Eligible taxpayer" means an industrial tax-17 payer who purchases new property for the purpose of 18 industrial expansion, or for the purpose of revitalizing 19 an existing industrial facility in this state; or a 20 taxpayer who purchases property or services, or both, 21 for the purpose of conducting an eligible research and 22 development project in this state or for the purpose of 23 constructing a qualified housing development project 24 in this state.

(B) An eligible taxpayer for purposes of the management information services facility credit means a taxpayer fulfilling the requirements of paragraph (C) or (D) of this subdivision which has purchased, or leased, and placed into service or use in a management information services facility, qualified investment, as defined under section five-b of this article, of two million dollars or more over a time period of not more than three hundred sixty-five consecutive days and which operates such management information services 35 facility, without regard to whether such taxpayer is an
36 industrial taxpayer or engages in an industrial busi37 ness or operates an industrial facility as herein
38 defined.

39 (C) An eligible taxpayer for purposes of the manage-40 ment information services facility credit is a person or entity which had no operations and owned or leased 41 no property in West Virginia during the five year 42 43 period prior to the creation of the management 44 information services facility in West Virginia, and which is not a successor in business to any person or 45 46 entity which had operations or owned or leased 47 property in West Virginia during the five year period 48 prior to the creation of the management information services facility in West Virginia. 49

50 A person or entity shall not constitute an eligible 51 taxpayer for purposes of the management information services facility credit if any related person (as defined 5253 in Section 267(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 54 as amended) had operations or owned or leased 55 property in West Virginia during the five year period 56 prior to the creation of the management information services facility in West Virginia or if any such related 57 person is a successor in business to any person or 58 59entity which had operations or owned or leased 60 property in West Virginia during the five year period 61 prior to the creation of the management information services facility in West Virginia. 62

63 (D) Notwithstanding paragraph (C) of this subdivi-64 sion, a person, entity, successor in business which 65 would otherwise not constitute an eligible taxpayer 66 under paragraph (C) of this subdivision may neverthe-67 less constitute an eligible taxpayer for purposes of this management information services facility credit if 68 69 such person, entity, successor places qualified invest-70ment into service or use in West Virginia for the 71 purpose of establishing in this state a management 72 information services facility that is new to West Virginia and which services do not include any 7374 management information services previously con-75 ducted by such person, entity, successor, or a related 76 person (as defined in Section 267(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended) in West Virginia, 77 78 or if such person, entity or successor places qualified 79 investment into service or use in West Virginia in a 80 management information services facility for the purpose of consolidating or relocating significant 81 82 existing national, regional or international management information services operations in West Virginia, 83 and such consolidation or relocation results in the 84 placement of at least two million dollars of qualified 85 86 investment into service or use in West Virginia within the time periods described in paragraph (B) of this 87 88 subdivision, and such consolidation or relocation results in the relocation of significant management 89 90 information services operations into West Virginia which did not previously exist in West Virginia, and 91 92 the taxpayer otherwise constitutes an eligible taxpayer 93 under such paragraph (B). For purposes of this section, 94 the term "regional" means an area including more 95 than one state or portions of more than one state of 96 the United States.

(3) "Eligible research and development project" 97 98 means a research and development project engaged in or conducted within this state, by a person who is 99 engaged in this state in the business of producing 100 natural resources or in an industrial business when 101 such research and development project is conducted 102103 for purposes relating to the technical, economic, 104 financial, engineering or marketing aspects of expand-105 ing markets for, and increasing sales of, this state's natural resource products, or industrial products, or 106 107 both.

108 (4) "Industrial business" means any privilege tax-109 able under section two-b or two-m, article thirteen of 110 this chapter, and includes a manufacturing service 111 taxable under section two-h of said article: *Provided*, 112 That on and after the first day of July, one thousand 113 nine hundred eighty-seven, the term "industrial 114 business" shall mean the business of manufacturing, 115 compounding or preparing tangible personal property 116 for sale, profit or commercial use, the business of 117 generating electric power, and the business of provid118 ing a manufacturing service, which were taxable,
119 respectively, under sections two-b, two-m and two-h,
120 article thirteen of this chapter, on the first day of
121 January, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five.

122 (5) "Industrial facility" means any factory, mill, 123 plant, refinery, warehouse, buildings or complex of 124 buildings located within this state, including the land 125 on which it is located, and all machinery, equipment 126 and other real and tangible personal property located 127 at or within such facility used in connection with the 128 operation of such facility in an industrial business.

(6) "Industrial revitalization" means capital invest-129 130 ment in an industrial facility located in this state to 131 replace or modernize buildings, equipment, machinery 132and other tangible personal property used in connec-133 tion with the operation of such facility in an industrial business of the taxpayer, including the acquisition of 134 any real property necessary to the industrial 135136 revitalization.

137 (7) "Industrial expansion" means capital investment138 in a new or expanded industrial facility in this state.

139(8) "Industrial taxpayer" means any person subject 140 to business and occupation taxes under article thirteen 141 of this chapter, exercising any privilege taxable under 142section two-b or two-m of said article thirteen, or 143 providing a manufacturing service taxable under 144 section two-h of said article thirteen: Provided, That 145 on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven, "industrial taxpayer" shall 146 147 mean any person subject to tax under section two-m, 148 article thirteen of this chapter; or any person subject 149 to tax under article thirteen-a or twenty-three of this chapter engaging in any activity that was taxable 150 under section two-b, article thirteen of this chapter, on 151 152the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred 153eighty-five; or any person taxable under article twenty-three of this chapter providing a manufactur-154 ing service that was taxable under section two-h, 155 156article thirteen of this chapter on the first day of

157 January, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five.

(9) "Management information services facility" means a building, or any part thereof, or a complex of buildings, or any part thereof, including the machinery and equipment located therein, that is exclusively dedicated to providing management information services to the owner or operator thereof or to another person.

165 (10) "Management information services" means, and 166is limited to, data processing, data storage, data recovery and backup, programming recovery and 167168 backup, telecommunications, computation and com-169 puter processing, computer programming, electronic 170 information, and data management activities, or any 171 combination of such activities, when such activity, or 172activities, is not subject to regulation by the West 173Virginia public service commission and such activity, 174 or activities, is for the purpose of managing, planning 175for, organizing or operating, any industrial or commer-176cial business, or any enterprise, facility or facilities of 177 an industrial or commercial business, whether such 178 industrial or commercial business or enterprise, 179facility or facilities of an industrial or commercial 180 business is located within or without this state and 181 without regard to whether such industrial or commer-182cial business, or enterprise, facility or facilities of an 183 industrial or commercial business is owned by the 184 provider of the management information services or by a "related person", as defined in Section 267(b) of 185 186 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

(11) "Manufacturing service" means a privilege that
would be taxable under section two-b, article thirteen
of this chapter, if title to the raw materials used in the
manufacturing process was vested in the taxpayer
exercising the privilege taxable under section two-h of
said article thirteen.

(12) Subject to subdivision (15) below, "property
purchased for an eligible research and development
project" means real property, and improvements
thereto, and tangible personal property, but only if

197 such real or personal property is constructed or 198 purchased on or after the first day of July, one 199 thousand nine hundred eighty-five, for use as a 200 component part of an eligible research and develop-201 ment project which is located within this state on or 202after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred 203eighty-five. This term includes only tangible personal 204 property with respect to which depreciation or amor-205 tization, in lieu of depreciation, is allowable in deter-206 mining the personal income tax or corporation net 207 income tax liability of the purchaser under article 208 twenty-one or twenty-four of this chapter. Property 209acquired by written lease for a term of ten years or 210 longer, if used as a component part of an eligible 211 research and development project, shall be included 212within this definition.

(13) Subject to subdivision (15) below, "property 213214 purchased for industrial expansion" means real prop-215erty, and improvements thereto, and tangible personal 216property, but only if such property was constructed, or purchased, on or after the first day of July, one 217218 thousand nine hundred sixty-nine, for use as a compo-219 nent part of a new or expanded industrial facility as 220 defined in subdivision (5) of this subsection located 221 within this state. This term includes only tangible 222 personal property with respect to which depreciation, 223 or amortization in lieu of depreciation, is allowable in 224 determining the personal income tax or corporation 225 net income tax liability of the industrial taxpayer 226 under articles twenty-one or twenty-four of this 227chapter, and has a useful life, at the time such 228property is placed in service or use in this state, of 229 four years or more. Property acquired by written 230 lease, for a primary term of ten years or longer, if 231used as a component part of a new or expanded 232industrial facility, shall be included within this 233definition.

(14) Subject to subdivision (15) below, "property
purchased for industrial revitalization" means real
property, and improvements thereto, and new tangible
personal property, but only if such property was

constructed, or purchased, on or after the first day of  $238^{\circ}$ 239July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-one, for use 240 as a component part of an ongoing industrial facility as 241 defined in subdivision (5) of this subsection located 242 within this state. This term includes only tangible 243 personal property with respect to which depreciation 244 is allowable in determining the personal income tax or 245corporation net income tax liability of the industrial 246 taxpayer under article twenty-one or twenty-four of 247this chapter, and has a useful life at the time the 248property is placed in service or use in this state of four 249 years or more. Property acquired by written lease for 250a primary term of ten years or longer, if used as a 251component part of an industrial revitalization, shall be 252included within this definition.

(15) "Property purchased for industrial expansion",
"property purchased for industrial revitalization",
"property purchased for an eligible research and
development project", "property purchased for a
qualified housing development project" and "property
purchased or leased for a management information
services facility" shall not include:

260 (A) Repair costs including materials used in the261 repair, unless for federal income tax purposes, the cost262 of the repair must be capitalized and not expensed;

(B) Motor vehicles licensed by the department ofmotor vehicles;

265 (C) Airplanes;

266 (D) Off-premise transportation equipment;

267 (E) Property which is primarily used outside this 268 state; and

269 (F) Property which is acquired incident to the 270 purchase of the stock or assets of an industrial tax-271 payer, which property was or had been used by the 272 seller in his industrial business in this state, or which 273 property was previously designated "property pur-274 chased for industrial expansion", or "property pur-275 chased for industrial revitalization", or "property 276 purchased for an eligible research and development

project", or "property purchased for a qualified 277278 housing development project", and used to qualify for business and occupation tax credit for industrial 279expansion or revitalization, or for an eligible research 280and development project, or for a qualified housing 281282development project, or property which was subject to 283or gave rise to the management information services 284 facility credit in the hands of the transferor, except that successors in business shall have successor credit 285286 available pursuant to section seven of this article.

287 (16) Subject to subdivision (15) above, property 288 purchased for a qualified housing development project means real property, and improvements thereto, and 289 tangible personal property incorporated into real 290 property, whether or not attached thereto, but only if 291292such real or tangible personal property was constructed, or purchased, on or after the first day of 293294July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-six, for use as 295a component part of a housing development project, as 296defined in section five-a of this article, located within 297this state.

298(17) Subject to subdivision (15) above, "property 299purchased or leased for a management information 300 services facility'' means tangible personal property 301 purchased from a West Virginia vendor in West 302 Virginia or leased through or from a West Virginia vendor for a primary lease term of three years or 303more. For purposes of this section the term "tangible 304personal property" shall include prewritten or 305"canned" computer software, "custom" software and 306 307 computer programming services which result in the production of custom software: Provided, That the 308 term "property purchased or leased for a management 309 information services facility" shall not include: 310

(A) Land or building or any part thereof whetherleased or purchased;

313 (B) Natural resources in place;

314 (C) Property, the cost or consideration for which 315 cannot be quantified with any reasonable degree of 316 accuracy at the time such property is placed in service

317 or use;

318 (D) Property purchased or leased or placed in 319 service or use prior to the first day of April, one 320 thousand nine hundred ninety-one or property pur-321 chased or leased or placed in service or use after the 322 thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred 323 ninety-three; or

324 (E) Property purchased for use in a management
325 information services facility when such property is not
326 purchased for the purpose of either:

(i) Expanding an existing management information
services facility in West Virginia pursuant to a relocation or consolidation of significant national, regional or
international management information services operation to West Virginia; or

(ii) Establishing in this state a management informa-tion services facility that is new to West Virginia.

(18) Property shall be deemed to have been pur-chased prior to a specified date only if:

(A) The physical construction, reconstruction or
erection of the property was begun prior to the
specified date, or such property was constructed,
reconstructed, erected or acquired pursuant to a
written contract as existing and binding on the taxpayer prior to the specified date;

(B) The machinery or equipment was owned by the
taxpayer prior to the specified date or was acquired by
the taxpayer pursuant to a binding purchase contract
which was in effect prior to such date; or

346 (C) In the case of leased property, there was a347 binding written lease or contract to lease identifiable348 property in effect prior to the specified date.

(19) "Taxpayer" means any person taxable under
article thirteen of this chapter: *Provided*, That on and
after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred
eighty-seven, "taxpayer" shall mean any person
taxable under article thirteen, thirteen-a or twentythree of this chapter.

### §11-13D-3c. Amount of credit allowed and application of credit for qualified investment in a management information services facility.

1 (a) *Credit allowed.* — There shall be allowed to 2 eligible taxpayers a credit against the taxes imposed by 3 articles twenty-three and twenty-four of this chapter 4 for qualified investment in a management information 5 services facility. The amount of credit shall be deter-6 mined as hereinafter provided in this section.

7 (b) Investment period limitations subject to exten-8 sion upon legislative amendment. — It is the finding of 9 the Legislature that certain tax credits heretofore 10 enacted have not effectively fulfilled the intended 11 legislative purpose of increasing employment and 12 economic growth and development in this state. Therefore, the time period over which qualified 13 14 investment property may be purchased or leased and 15 placed in service or use by eligible taxpayers at a 16 management information services facility is expressly 17 limited, for purposes of this credit, to two years under paragraph (C), subdivision (17), subsection (b), section 18 19 two of this article, subsection (c) of this section, and paragraph (B), subdivision (6), subsection (c), section 2021 five-b of this article. If the Legislature subsequently 22finds that this credit for a management information 23services facility effectively fulfills the legislative purpose for which it was enacted, the Legislature may, 24 25in its discretion, extend, by statutory amendment, the time period over which qualified investment may be 2627purchased, or leased, and placed in service or use.

28 (c) Credit amount for qualified investment pur-29chased and placed in service or use in a management 30information services facility after the thirty-first day 31 of March, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one and 32prior to the first day of April, one thousand nine 33hundred ninety-three. - For property purchased or 34 leased by an eligible taxpayer and placed in service or 35 use after the thirty-first day of March, one thousand 36 nine hundred ninety-one, and prior to the first day of 37April, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, for 38 use as a component part of a management information 39 services facility, the amount of allowable credit shall 40 be equal to one hundred percent of the qualified 41 investment, as determined under section five-b of this 42 article, and shall reduce the business franchise tax 43 under article twenty-three of this chapter and the 44 corporation net income tax under article twenty-four 45 of this chapter, subject to the following conditions and 46 limitations:

47 (1) Tax year time limitations for application of 48 credit, credit forfeiture. —

49 (A) The amount of this credit allowable shall be 50 applied over a time period of up to ten tax years.

51 (B) This credit shall first be applied against the tax 52 liabilities in the manner specified in subdivision (2) of 53 this subsection (c) beginning with the tax year during 54 which the qualified investment was first placed in 55 service or use in this state by the eligible taxpayer.

56 (C) Any amount of this credit remaining after 57application of this credit against tax as specified in 58 paragraph (B) of this subdivision (1) shall then be 59 applied against the tax liabilities in the manner 60 specified in subdivision (2) of this subsection (c) for the 61 tax year immediately succeeding the tax year during 62 which the qualified investment was first placed in 63 service or use in this state and for each succeeding tax 64 year thereafter up through the ninth tax year subsequent to the first tax year in which the qualified 65 66 investment property was first placed in service or use.

67 (D) Any amount of this credit remaining after 68 application of this credit against tax as specified in 69 paragraph (B) and then paragraph (C) of this subdivi-70 sion shall be forfeited and shall not carry forward to 71 any subsequent tax year.

(E) No carryback of credit to a prior tax year shallbe allowed.

74 (2) Tax liability percentage offset limitations. —

75 (A) This credit for qualified investment in a man-76 agement information services facility shall first be 77 applied to reduce the annual West Virginia business 78 franchise tax liability imposed under article twenty-79 three of this chapter for the tax year by an amount 80 such that this credit, in combined application with all 81 other applicable credits allowable under articles 82 thirteen-c, thirteen-d and thirteen-e of this chapter 83 and under chapter five-e of this code and all other tax 84 credits provided in this code, shall not reduce the annual business franchise tax liability for such tax 85 86 year below fifty percent of the amount of the annual 87 tax liability which would otherwise be imposed for such tax year in the absence of this credit and all 88 credits against such tax, except the credits set forth in 89 90 section seventeen, article twenty-three of this chapter.

91 (B) After application of this credit against business 92 franchise tax as provided in paragraph (A) of this subdivision (2), remaining credit for qualified invest-93 94 ment in a management information services facility, if any, shall then be applied to reduce the annual West 95 Virginia corporation net income tax liability imposed 96 97 under article twenty-four of this chapter for the tax 98 year by an amount such that this credit in combined application with all other applicable credits allowable 99 100 under articles thirteen-c, thirteen-d, thirteen-f and 101 thirteen-g of this chapter and under sections ten, 102 eleven, eleven-a, twelve, twenty-two and twenty-103 three-a, article twenty-four of this chapter and under 104 chapters five-e and eighteen-b of this code and all 105 other tax credits provided in this code, shall not 106 reduce the annual corporation net income tax liability 107 for such tax year below fifty percent of the amount of 108 the annual tax liability which would otherwise be imposed for such tax year in the absence of this credit 109and all other credits against tax, except the credits set 110forth in sections nine and nine-a, article twenty-four 111 112of this chapter.

(C) After application of this credit against business
franchise tax under paragraph (A) of this subdivision
(2), and then against corporation net income tax under
paragraph (B) of this subdivision (2); remaining credit
for qualified investment in a management information

118 services facility, if any, shall then be applied to further 119 reduce the annual West Virginia business franchise 120 tax liability imposed under article twenty-three of this chapter for the tax year by an amount such that this 121122credit shall not reduce the annual business franchise 123tax liability for such tax year below ten percent of the amount of the annual tax liability which would 124 otherwise be imposed for such tax year in the absence 125126of this credit and all other credits against such tax, 127except the credits set forth in section seventeen, 128 article twenty-three of this chapter.

129 (D) After application of this credit against business franchise tax under paragraph (A) of this subdivision 130 131 (2) and then against corporation net income tax under 132 paragraph (B) of this subdivision (2), and then against business franchise tax under paragraph (C) of this 133subdivision (2); remaining credit for qualified invest-134 135ment in a management information services facility, if 136 any, shall then be applied to further reduce the annual 137 West Virginia corporation net income tax liability 138 imposed under article twenty-four of this chapter for 139 the tax year by an amount such that this credit shall 140 not reduce the annual corporation net income tax 141 liability for such tax year below ten percent of the 142amount of the annual tax liability which would 143otherwise be imposed for such tax year in the absence of this credit and all other credits against such tax. 144 145 except the credits set forth in sections nine and nine-146 a, article twenty-four of this chapter.

147 (d) Maximum annual credit allowance. - (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no 148 149 taxpayer may take or apply more than one million 150 dollars of this credit against all taxes, in the aggregate, 151 against which this credit may apply in any taxable 152year, and no related person or persons as defined in 153Section 267(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 154 amended, may, in the aggregate, take or apply more 155than one million dollars of this credit against all taxes, 156 in the aggregate, against which this credit may apply 157 in any taxable year.

158 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this

159 section, the total amount of credit certified under this 160 subsection (e) for all taxpayers shall not exceed five 161 million dollars per year. The tax commissioner shall 162 allocate this credit to eligible taxpayers in the order 163 that such taxpayers are certified under subsection (e) 164 of this section: *Provided*, That no taxpayer or any 165 related person to such taxpayer (as amended in section 166 267(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986), as 167 amended, shall be allocated more than five million 168 dollars.

169 (e) Certification of credit required. —

170 (1) Application required. — No credit shall be 171 allowed or applied under this section for any invest-172 ment in any management information services facility 173 until the person asserting a claim for the allowance of 174 credit under this article makes written application to the tax commissioner for allowance of credit as 175176 provided in this section and receives written certifica-177 tion of its claim from the tax commissioner. An 178 application for credit shall be filed, in such form as the 179 tax commissioner shall prescribe, prior to the first date when qualified investment property is first placed in 180 service or use, and whether such property will be 181 182 placed in service during the same tax year or over a period of two or more successive tax years. All 183184 information required by such form shall be provided. 185 No credit shall be taken by a taxpayer applicant or 186 prospective applicant pursuant to this section and the 187 exemption from tax set forth under subsection (nn), 188 section nine, article fifteen of this chapter shall not be 189 available to a taxpayer applicant or prospective appli-190cant until certification has been issued by the tax 191 commissioner.

(2) Failure to file. — The failure to timely apply for
certification under this subsection (e) shall result in
the forfeiture of the credit otherwise allowable under
this section.

196 (f) Forfeiture for reductions of employment. —

(1) With the annual return for the tax imposed byarticle twenty-three of this chapter filed for thetaxable year in which the qualified investment is first

200 placed in service or use in this state, and for each 201 succeeding taxable year thereafter during which the 202 taxpayer seeks to apply this credit against tax, the 203 taxpayer shall file a statement with the tax commis-204 sioner certifying that no West Virginia jobs have been 205 lost or terminated and no decrease of working hours 206 or layoffs of employees holding West Virginia jobs 207 have resulted from the making of the qualified invest-208 ment upon which this credit is based or from the 209 establishment or operation of the management infor-210 mation services facility upon which this credit is 211 based.

(2) The taxpayer shall forfeit all annual credit otherwise available under this section during any year when West Virginia jobs have been lost or terminated or decreases of working hours or layoffs of employees holding West Virginia jobs have occurred as a result of the making of the qualified investment upon which this credit is based or the establishment or operation of the management information services facility upon which this credit is based, and the exemption from tax set forth in subsection (nn), section nine, article fifteen of this chapter shall not be available to the taxpayer during such year of forfeiture.

224(3) The tax commissioner shall conduct such audits 225 or reviews of each taxpayer in any year a credit is 226asserted under this section to verify the accuracy of a 227taxpayer's statement certifying that no West Virginia 228 jobs have been lost or terminated and that no decrease 229 of working hours or layoffs of employees holding West 230 Virginia jobs have resulted from the making of 231 qualified investments upon which this credit is based 232 or from the establishment or operation of the manage-233 ment information services facility upon which this 234 credit is based. Such audits shall also verify that all 235 other requirements applicable to the allowance under 236a credit under this section continue to be met by the 237 taxpayer.

(g) Information disclosure. — Providing that such
disclosure can be made without directly or indirectly
revealing the amount of credit available to any

241particular taxpayer or taxpayer return information 242other than the name and address of the taxpayer, and 243notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the 244 contrary, the tax commissioner shall publish in the 245 state register the name and address of every taxpayer 246receiving this credit allowed under this section by the 247 thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine 248 hundred ninety-two, and annually thereafter by the 249 thirty-first day of December of each year. The tax 250commissioner shall publish in the state register, the 251amount of the credit asserted, by amount category, for 252each taxpayer asserting such credit. The categories by 253dollar amount of credit received, shall be as follows:

(1) More than \$1.00, but not more than \$50,000;

255 (2) More than \$50,000 but not more than \$100,000;

256 (3) More than \$100,000 but not more than \$250,000;

257 (4) More than \$250,000 but not more than \$500,000; 258 and

(5) More than \$500,000 but not more than \$1,000,000.

260 (h) Report by the governor's office of community 261and industrial development. - The governor's office 262of community and industrial development shall pro-263duce a report to the Legislature to be presented during 264 the regular legislative session of one thousand nine 265hundred ninety-two. Such report shall state the 266identity of taxpayers who have received this manage-267ment information services facility credit, and shall 268contain an analysis of the expansion and growth of 269management information services facilities in the state 270of West Virginia, the expansion of commerce resulting 271from the creation of this credit, and the number of 272jobs created as a result of this credit. The report of the 273governor's office of community and industrial develop-274ment shall not directly or indirectly reveal the amount 275of credit available to any particular taxpayer or 276taxpayer return information other than the names and 277addresses of taxpayers.

### §11-13D-5b. Qualified investment for a management information services facility.

1 (a) *General.* — The qualified investment in property 2 purchased or leased for use as a component part of a 3 management information services facility shall be the 4 applicable percentage of the cost of each property 5 purchased for a management information services 6 facility, which is placed in service or use in this state, 7 by the eligible taxpayer during the tax year as deter-8 mined under this section.

9 (b) Applicable percentage. — For the purposes of 10 subsection (a), the applicable percentage for any 11 property shall be determined under the following 12 table:

13	If useful life or applicable	The applicable
14	lease term is:	percentage is:
15	3 yrs. or more but less than 6 yrs	33-1/3%
16	6 yrs. or more but less than 8 yrs	$\dots 66-2/3\%$
17	8 vrs. or more	100%

18 The useful life of any property for purposes of this 19 section shall be the actual economic useful life deter-20 mined as of the date such property is first placed in 21 service or use in this state by the taxpayer, deter-22 mined for financial accounting purposes in accordance 23 with generally accepted principles of accounting.

(c) Cost. — For purposes of subsection (a), the cost
of each property purchased for a management information services facility, shall be the fair market value
or the actual cost, whichever is less, and in no event
shall the cost exceed the fair market value, furthermore the cost shall be determined under the following
rules:

31 (1) Trade-ins. — Cost shall not include the value of
32 property given in trade or exchange for the property
33 purchased for a management information services
34 facility.

35 (2) Damaged, destroyed or stolen property. - If

36 property is damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm
37 or other casualty, or is stolen, then the cost of replace38 ment property shall not include any insurance pro39 ceeds received in compensation for the loss.

40 (3) Rental property. — The cost of tangible personal
41 property acquired by lease for a primary lease term of
42 three or more years shall be seventy-five percent of
43 the rent reserved for the shorter of:

44 (A) The first ten years of the primary lease term; or

45 (B) The primary lease term.

46 Such cost of leased tangible personal property shall 47 then be multiplied by the applicable percentage 48 determined under subsection (b) of this section based 49 upon the shorter of the first ten years of the primary 50 lease term or the primary lease term in order to 51 determine qualified investment in such leased 52 property.

53 (4) Property purchased for multiple use. — Invest54 ment in property purchased for use in a management
55 information services facility together with some other
56 use shall not qualify for purposes of this credit.

57 (5) Self-constructed property. — In the case of self-58 constructed property, the cost thereof shall be the 59 amount properly charged to the capital account for 60 purposes of depreciation for federal income tax 61 purposes.

62 (6) Specific exclusions. —

63 (A) Investment in land or buildings, whether pur64 chased or leased, shall not qualify for purposes of this
65 management information services facility credit.

66 (B) Investment by purchase or lease in natural 67 resources in place; and investment by purchase or 68 lease in property, the cost or consideration for which 69 cannot be quantified with any reasonable degree of 70 accuracy at the time such property is placed in service 71 or use, shall not qualify for purposes of this manage-72 ment information services facility credit.

(C) Investment in property purchased, or leased, or
placed in service or use prior to the first day of April,
one thousand nine hundred ninety-one, or after the
thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred
ninety-three, shall not qualify for purposes of this
management information services facility credit.

(D) Investment in property not purchased, or leased, either for the purpose of expanding an existing management information services facility in West Virginia pursuant to a national, regional or international relocation or consolidation of significant management information services in West Virginia; or for the purpose of establishing in this state a management information services facility that is new to West Virginia, shall not qualify for purposes of this management information services facility credit.

# §11-13D-6. Forfeiture of unused tax credits, redetermination of credit required.

1 (a) Disposition of property or cessation of use. — If 2 during any taxable year, property with respect to 3 which a tax credit has been allowed under this article:

4 (1) Is disposed of prior to the end of its useful life, 5 as determined under section four, five, five-a or five-6 b of this article; or

7 (2) Ceases to be used in the new or expanded or 8 revitalized industrial business, or in the eligible 9 research and development project, or in the qualified 10 housing development project, or in a management 11 information services facility of the taxpayer in this 12 state prior to the end of its useful life, as determined 13 under said section four, five, five-a or five-b, then the 14 unused portion of the credit allowed for such property 15 shall be forfeited for the taxable year and all ensuing 16 years. Additionally, except when the property is 17 damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm or other 18 casualty, or is stolen, the taxpayer shall redetermine 19 the amount of credit allowed in all earlier years by 20 reducing the applicable percentage of cost of such 21 property allowed under said section four, five-a or five-b, to correspond with the percentage of cost 22

23 allowable for the period of time that the property was 24 actually used in this state in the industrial business or 25management information services business of the 26 taxpayer. Taxpayer shall then file a reconciliation 27statement with its annual business franchise tax 28return for the year in which the forfeiture occurs and 29 pay any additional taxes owed due to reduction of the 30 amount of credit allowable for such earlier years, plus 31 interest and any applicable penalties: Provided, That 32on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine 33 hundred eighty-seven, the phrase "taxes imposed by 34 article twelve-a or thirteen, or both, of this chapter" 35 shall mean "taxes imposed by articles thirteen, 36 thirteen-a and twenty-three of this chapter or any one 37 or combination of such articles of this chapter".

38 (b) Cessation of operation of industrial facility or 39 eligible research and development project, qualified 40 housing development project or management informa-41 tion services facility. - If during any taxable year, the 42 taxpayer ceases operation of an industrial facility or a 43 management information services facility in this state, 44 or of an eligible research and development project, or 45 a qualified housing development project, for which credit was allowed under this article, or article 46 47 thirteen-c of this chapter prior to its repeal, before 48 expiration of the useful life of the property with 49 respect to which tax credit has been allowed under 50 this article or article thirteen-c of this chapter prior to 51 its repeal, then the unused portion of the allowed credit shall be forfeited for the taxable year and all 5253 ensuing years. Additionally, except when the cessation 54 is due to fire, flood, storm or other casualty, the taxpayer shall redetermine the amount of credit 55 56 allowed in earlier years by reducing the applicable 57 percentage of cost of such property allowed under 58 section four, five, five-a or five-b, to correspond with 59 the percentage of cost allowable for the period of time 60 that the property was actually used in this state in the 61 industrial business or management information servi-62 ces business of the taxpayer. Taxpayer shall then file a reconciliation statement with its annual business 63 franchise tax return for the year in which the forfei-64

ture occurs and pay any additional taxes owed due to reduction of the amount of credit allowable for such earlier years, plus interest and any applicable penalties: *Provided*, That on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven, the phrase "taxes imposed by article twelve-a or thirteen, or both, of this chapter" shall mean "taxes imposed by articles thirteen, thirteen-a and twenty-three of this chapter, or any one or combination of such articles of this thapter".

### §11-13D-7. Transfer of eligible investment to successors.

(a) Mere change in form of business. - Property 1 2 shall not be treated as disposed of under section six of 3 this article, by reason of a mere change in the form of 4 conducting the business as long as the property is 5 retained in a similar industrial business or manage-6 ment information services business activity in this 7 state and the taxpayer retains a controlling interest in 8 the successor business. In this event, the successor 9 business shall be allowed to claim the amount of credit 10 still available with respect to the industrial facility or 11 facilities transferred or to the eligible research and 12 development project or management information 13 services facility, and the taxpayer (transferor) shall 14 not be required to redetermine the amount of credit 15 allowed in earlier years.

16 (b) Transfer or sale to successor. - Provided that 17 the tax commissioner gives prior approval for a 18 transfer or sale, property shall not be treated as 19 disposed of under section six by reason of any transfer 20 or sale to a successor business which continues to 21operate the industrial facility or management informa-22 tion services facility in this state. Upon transfer or 23 sale, the successor shall acquire the amount of credit 24 that remains available under this article for each 25 taxable year subsequent to the taxable year of the 26 transferor during which the transfer occurred, and, 27 for the year of transfer, an amount of annual credit 28 for such year in the same proportion as the number of 29days remaining in the transferor's taxable year bears to the total number of days in such taxable year, and 30

31 the taxpayer (transferor) shall not be required to 32 redetermine the amount of credit allowed in earlier 33 years. In determining whether or not to approve a 34 disposition pursuant to this subsection, the tax com-35 missioner shall take into account the legislative 36 findings and purpose contained in section one of this 37 article in making such decision.

### ARTICLE 15. CONSUMERS SALES TAX.

### §11-15-2. Definitions.

1 For the purpose of this article:

2 (a) "Persons" means any individual, partnership,
3 association, corporation, state or its political subdivi4 sions or agency of either, guardian, trustee, committee,
5 executor or administrator.

6 (b) "Tax commissioner" means the state tax 7 commissioner.

8 (c) "Gross proceeds" means the amount received in 9 money, credits, property or other consideration from 10 sales and services within this state, without deduction 11 on account of the cost of property sold, amounts paid 12 for interest or discounts or other expenses whatsoever. 13 Losses shall not be deducted, but any credit or refund 14 made for goods returned may be deducted.

(d) "Sale", "sales" or "selling" includes any transfer
of the possession or ownership of tangible personal
property for a consideration, including a lease or
rental, when the transfer or delivery is made in the
ordinary course of the transferor's business and is
made to the transferee or his agent for consumption or
use or any other purpose.

(e) "Vendor" means any person engaged in this state
in furnishing services taxed by this article or making
sales of tangible personal property.

(f) "Ultimate consumer" or "consumer" means a
person who uses or consumes services or personal
property.

28 (g) "Business" includes all activities engaged in or

29 caused to be engaged in with the object of gain or 30 economic benefit, direct or indirect, and all activities 31 of the state and its political subdivisions which involve 32 sales of tangible personal property or the rendering of 33 services when those service activities compete with or 34 may compete with the activities of other persons.

35 (h) "Tax" includes all taxes, interest and penalties36 levied hereunder.

(i) "Service" or "selected service" includes all
nonprofessional activities engaged in for other persons
for a consideration, which involve the rendering of a
service as distinguished from the sale of tangible
personal property, but shall not include contracting,
personal services or the services rendered by an
employee to his employer or any service rendered for
resale.

(j) "Purchaser" means a person who purchasestangible personal property or a service taxed by thisarticle.

48 (k) "Personal service" includes those:

49 (1) Compensated by the payment of wages in the50 ordinary course of employment; and

(2) Rendered to the person of an individual without,
at the same time, selling tangible personal property,
such as nursing, barbering, shoe shining, manicuring
and similar services.

(1) "Taxpayer" means any person liable for the taximposed by this article.

57 (m) "Drugs" includes all sales of drugs or appliances 58 to a purchaser, upon prescription of a physician or 59 dentist and any other professional person licensed to 60 prescribe.

61 (n) (1) "Directly used or consumed" in the activities 62 of manufacturing, transportation, transmission, com-63 munication or the production of natural resources 64 means used or consumed in those activities or opera-65 tions which constitute an integral and essential part of 66 such activities, as contrasted with and distinguished 67 from those activities or operations which are simply 68 incidental, convenient or remote to such activities.

69 (2) Uses of property or consumption of services 70 which constitute direct use or consumption in the 71 activities of manufacturing, transportation, transmis-72 sion, communication or the production of natural 73 resources includes only:

74 (A) In the case of tangible personal property, phys-75 ical incorporation of property into a finished product 76 resulting from manufacturing production or the 77 production of natural resources;

78 (B) Causing a direct physical, chemical or other 79 change upon property undergoing manufacturing production or production of natural resources; 80

81 (C) Transporting or storing property undergoing 82 transportation, communication, transmission, manu-83 facturing production or production of natural 84 resources;

85 (D) Measuring or verifying a change in property 86 directly used in transportation, communication, trans-87 mission, manufacturing production or production of 88 natural resources:

89 (E) Physically controlling or directing the physical 90 movement or operation of property directly used in 91 transportation, communication, transmission, manu-92 facturing production or production of natural 93 resources;

94 (F) Directly and physically recording the flow of 95 property undergoing transportation, communication, 96 transmission, manufacturing production or production 97 of natural resources:

98 (G) Producing energy for property directly used in 99 transportation, communication, transmission, manu-100 facturing production or production of natural 101 resources;

102(H) Facilitating the transmission of gas, water, steam 103 or electricity from the point of their diversion to property directly used in transportation, communica-104

105 tion, transmission, manufacturing production or pro-106 duction of natural resources;

107 (I) Controlling or otherwise regulating atmospheric
108 conditions required for transportation, communication,
109 transmission, manufacturing production or production
110 of natural resources;

(J) Serving as an operating supply for property
undergoing transmission, manufacturing production or
production of natural resources, or for property
directly used in transportation, communication, transmission, manufacturing production or production of
natural resources;

117 (K) Maintenance or repair of property directly used
118 in transportation, communication, transmission,
119 manufacturing production or production of natural
120 resources;

(L) Storage, removal or transportation of economic
waste resulting from the activities of manufacturing,
transportation, communication, transmission or the
production of natural resources;

125 (M) Pollution control or environmental quality or 126 protection activity directly relating to the activities of 127 manufacturing, transportation, communication, trans-128 mission or the production of natural resources and 129 personnel, plant, product or community safety or 130 security activity directly relating to the activities of 131 manufacturing, transportation, communication, trans-132 mission or the production of natural resources; or

133 (N) Otherwise be used as an integral and essential
134 part of transportation, communication, transmission,
135 manufacturing production or production of natural
136 resources.

137 (3) Uses of property or services which would not
138 constitute direct use or consumption in the activities of
139 manufacturing, transportation, transmission, commu140 nication or the production of natural resources
141 includes, but are not limited to:

142 (A) Heating and illumination of office buildings;

143 (B) Janitorial or general cleaning activities;

144 (C) Personal comfort of personnel;

(D) Production planning, scheduling of work, orinventory control;

147 (E) Marketing, general management, supervision,148 finance, training, accounting and administration; or

(F) An activity or function incidental or convenient
to transportation, communication, transmission, manufacturing production or production of natural resources, rather than an integral and essential part of such
activities.

154 (o) "Contracting".

155 (1) In general. — "Contracting" means and includes 156 the furnishing of work, or both materials and work, 157 for another (by a sole contractor, general contractor, 158 prime contractor or subcontractor) in fulfillment of a 159 contract for the construction, alteration, repair, deco-160 ration or improvement of a new or existing building or 161 structure, or any part thereof, or for removal or 162 demolition of a building or structure, or any part 163 thereof, or for the alteration, improvement or develop-164 ment of real property.

165 (2) Form of contract not controlling. — An activity 166 that falls within the scope of the definition of contract-167 ing shall constitute contracting regardless of whether 168 such contract governing the activity is written or 169 verbal and regardless of whether it is in substance or 170 form a lump sum contract, a cost-plus contract, a time 171 and materials contract, whether or not open-ended, or 172 any other kind of construction contract.

173 (3) Special rules. — For purposes of this definition:

174 (A) The term "structure" includes, but is not limited 175 to, everything built up or composed of parts joined 176 together in some definite manner and attached or 177 affixed to real property, or which adds utility to real 178 property or any part thereof, or which adds utility to 179 a particular parcel of property and is intended to 180 remain there for an indefinite period of time.

(B) The term "alteration" means, and is limited to,alterations which are capital improvements to abuilding or structure or to real property.

184 (C) The term "repair" means, and is limited to,185 repairs which are capital improvements to a building186 or structure or to real property.

(D) The term "decoration" means, and is limited to,decorations which are capital improvements to abuilding or structure or to real property.

(E) The term "improvement" means, and is limitedto, improvements which are capital improvements to abuilding or structure or to real property.

193(F) The term "capital improvement" means improvements that are affixed to or attached to and 194 195become a part of a building or structure or the real property or which add utility to real property or any 196 part thereof and that last, or are intended to be 197 relatively permanent. As used herein, "relatively 198 199 permanent" means lasting at least a year or longer in 200duration without the necessity for regularly scheduled 201 recurring service to maintain such capital improve-202ment. "Regular recurring service" means regularly 203scheduled service intervals of less than one year.

204 (G) Contracting does not include the furnishing of 205work, or both materials and work in the nature of 206hookup, connection, installation or other services if 207such service is incidental to the retail sale of tangible 208 personal property from the service provider's inven-209tory: Provided, That such hookup, connection or 210 installation of the foregoing is incidental to the sale of 211the same and performed by the seller thereof or 212performed in accordance with arrangements made by 213 the seller thereof. Examples of transactions that are 214excluded from the definition of contracting pursuant hereto include, but are not limited to, the sale of wall-215216 to-wall carpeting and the installation of wall-to-wall 217 carpeting, the sale, hookup and connection of mobile 218 homes, window air conditioning units, dishwashers, 219 clothing washing machines or dryers, other household 220 appliances, drapery rods, window shades, venetian 221 blinds, canvas awnings, free standing industrial or 222 commercial equipment and other similar items of 223 tangible personal property. Repairs made to the 224 foregoing are within the definition of contracting if 225 such repairs involve permanently affixing to or 226 improving real property or something attached thereto 227 which extends the life of the real property or some-228 thing affixed thereto or allows or is intended to allow 229 such real property or thing permanently attached 230 thereto to remain in service for a year or longer.

(p) "Manufacturing" means a systematic operation
or integrated series of systematic operations engaged
in as a business or segment of a business which
transforms or converts tangible personal property by
physical, chemical or other means into a different
form, composition or character from that in which it
originally existed.

(q) "Transportation" means the act or process of
conveying, as a commercial enterprise, passengers or
goods from one place or geographical location to
another place or geographical location.

242 (r) "Transmission" means the act or process of 243 causing liquid, natural gas or electricity to pass or be 244 conveyed from one place or geographical location to 245 another place or geographical location through a 246 pipeline or other medium for commercial purposes.

(s) "Communication" means all telephone, radio,
light, light wave, radio telephone, telegraph and other
communication or means of communication, whether
used for voice communication, computer data transmission or other encoded symbolic information
transfers and shall include commercial broadcast
radio, commercial broadcast television and cable
television.

(t) "Production of natural resources" means the
performance, by either the owner of the natural
resources or another, of the act or process of exploring,
developing, severing, extracting, reducing to possession
and loading for shipment for sale, profit or commercial
use of any natural resource products and any reclama-

261 tion, waste disposal or environmental activities asso-262 ciated therewith.

263 (u) "Management information services facility" 264 means a building, or any part thereof, or a complex of 265 buildings, or any part thereof, including the machin-266 ery and equipment located therein, that is exclusively 267 dedicated to providing management information servi-268 ces to the owner or operator thereof or to another 269 person.

270(v) "Management information services" means, and 271 is limited to, data processing, data storage, data 272 recovery and backup, programming recovery and 273 backup, telecommunications, computation and com-274 puter processing, computer programming, electronic 275 information, and data management activities, or any 276 combination of such activities, when such activity, or 277activities, is not subject to regulation by the West 278 Virginia public service commission and such activity, 279 or activities, is for the purpose of managing, planning 280 for, organizing, or operating, any industrial or com-281 mercial business, or any enterprise, facility or facilities 282 of an industrial or commercial business, whether such 283 industrial or commercial business or enterprise, 284 facility or facilities of an industrial or commercial 285 business is located within or without this state and 286 without regard to whether such industrial or commer-287 cial business, or enterprise, facility or facilities of an 288 industrial or commercial business is owned by the 289 provider of the management information services or 290 by a "related person", as defined in Section 267(b) of 291 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

### §11-15-9. Exemptions.

1 The following sales and services are exempt:

2 (a) Sales of gas, steam and water delivered to
3 consumers through mains or pipes, and sales of
4 electricity;

5 (b) Sales of textbooks required to be used in any of 6 the schools of this state or in any institution in this 7 state which qualifies as a nonprofit or educational 8 institution subject to the West Virginia department of
9 education and the arts; board of trustees of the
10 university system of West Virginia, or the board of
11 directors for colleges located in this state;

12 (c) Sales of property or services to the state, its 13 institutions or subdivisions, governmental units, 14 institutions or subdivisions of other states: *Provided*, 15 That the law of such other state provides the same 16 exemption to governmental units or subdivisions of 17 this state and to the United States, including agencies 18 of federal, state or local governments for distribution 19 in public welfare or relief work;

20 (d) Sales of vehicles which are titled by the division
21 of motor vehicles and which are subject to the tax
22 imposed by section four, article three, chapter
23 seventeen-a of this code, or like tax;

(e) Sales of property or services to churches and
bona fide charitable organizations who make no
charge whatsoever for the services they render: *Provided*, That the exemption herein granted shall
apply only to services, equipment, supplies, food for
meals and materials directly used or consumed by
these organizations, and shall not apply to purchases of
gasoline or special fuel;

(f) Sales of tangible personal property or services to a corporation or organization which has a current registration certificate issued under article twelve of this chapter is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) or (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and is:

(1) A church or a convention or association of
churches as defined in section 170 of the Internal
Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

(2) An elementary or secondary school which maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and has a
regularly enrolled body of pupils or students in
attendance at the place in this state where its educational activities are regularly carried on;

46 (3) A corporation or organization which annually

47 receives more than one half of its support from any 48 combination of gifts, grants, direct or indirect charita-49 ble contributions, or membership fees;

50 (4) An organization which has no paid employees 51 and its gross income from fund raisers, less reasonable 52 and necessary expenses incurred to raise such gross 53 income (or the tangible personal property or services 54 purchased with such net income), is donated to an 55 organization which is exempt from income taxes 56 under section 501(c)(3) or (c)(4) of the Internal Reve-57 nue Code of 1986, as amended;

(5) A youth organization, such as the girl scouts of 58 59 the United States of America, the boy scouts of 60 America, or the YMCA Indian guide/princess pro-61 gram, and the local affiliates thereof, which is organ-62 ized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes 63 and has as its primary purpose the nonsectarian 64 character development and citizenship training of its 65 members;

66 (6) For purposes of this subsection:

67 (A) The term "support" includes, but is not limited 68 to:

69 (i) Gifts, grants, contributions or membership fees;

70 (ii) Gross receipts from fund raisers which include 71 receipts from admissions, sales of merchandise, perfor-72 mance of services or furnishing of facilities in any 73 activity which is not an unrelated trade or business 74 within the meaning of section 513 of the Internal 75 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

76 (iii) Net income from unrelated business activities, 77 whether or not such activities are carried on regularly 78 as a trade or business:

79 (iv) Gross investment income as defined in section 80 509(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 81 amended;

82 (v) Tax revenues levied for the benefit of a corpora-83 tion or organization either paid to or expended on 84 behalf of such organization; and

(vi) The value of services or facilities (exclusive of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge) furnished by a governmental unit referred to in section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, to an organization without charge. This term does not include any gain from the sale or other disposition of property which would be considered as gain from the sale or exchange of a capital asset, or the value of an exemption from any federal, state or local tax or any similar benefit;

95 (B) The term "charitable contribution" means a
96 contribution or gift to or for the use of a corporation
97 or organization, described in section 170(c)(2) of the
98 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

99 (C) The term "membership fee" does not include
100 any amounts paid for tangible personal property or
101 specific services rendered to members by the corpora102 tion or organization; or

(7) The exemption allowed by this subsection (f) does 103 104 not apply to sales of gasoline or special fuel or to sales of tangible personal property or services to be used or 105 106 consumed in the generation of unrelated business 107 income as defined in section 513 of the Internal 108 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The provisions of 109 this subsection as amended by this act shall apply to 110 sales made after the thirtieth day of June, one thou-111 sand nine hundred eighty-nine: Provided, That the 112 exemption herein granted shall apply only to services, 113equipment, supplies and materials used or consumed 114 in the activities for which such organizations qualify 115 as tax exempt organizations under the Internal Reve-116 nue Code by these organizations and shall not apply to 117 purchases of gasoline or special fuel;

(g) Sales of property or services to persons engaged in this state in the business of manufacturing, transportation, transmission, communication or in the production of natural resources: *Provided*, That the exemption herein granted shall apply only to services, machinery, supplies and materials directly used or consumed in the businesses or organizations named

125above, and shall not apply to purchases of gasoline or 126special fuel: Provided, however, That on and after the 127first day of July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-128 seven, the exemption provided in this subsection shall 129apply only to services, machinery, supplies and mate-130rials directly used or consumed in the activities of 131 manufacturing, transportation, transmission, commu-132nication or the production of natural resources in the 133businesses or organizations named above and shall not 134 apply to purchases of gasoline or special fuel;

135(h) An isolated transaction in which any taxable 136service or any tangible personal property is sold, 137transferred, offered for sale or delivered by the owner 138 thereof or by his representative for the owner's 139account, such sale, transfer, offer for sale or delivery 140not being made in the ordinary course of repeated and 141 successive transactions of like character by such owner 142or on his account by such representative: Provided, 143That nothing contained herein may be construed to 144 prevent an owner who sells, transfers or offers for sale 145tangible personal property in an isolated transaction 146 through an auctioneer from availing himself or herself 147 of the exemption provided herein, regardless where such isolated sale takes place. The tax commissioner 148 149may adopt such legislative rule pursuant to chapter 150twenty-nine-a of this code as he deems necessary for 151 the efficient administration of this exemption;

152(i) Sales of tangible personal property or of any 153taxable services rendered for use or consumption in 154 connection with the commercial production of an 155agricultural product the ultimate sale of which will be subject to the tax imposed by this article or which 156157would have been subject to tax under this article: 158 *Provided*, That sales of tangible personal property and 159services to be used or consumed in the construction of 160or permanent improvement to real property and sales 161 of gasoline and special fuel shall not be exempt;

(j) Sales of tangible personal property to a person for
the purpose of resale in the form of tangible personal
property: *Provided*, That sales of gasoline and special
fuel by distributors and importers shall be taxable

166 except when the sale is to another distributor for 167 resale: Provided, however, That sales of building 168 materials or building supplies or other property to any 169 person engaging in the activity of contracting, as 170 defined in this article, which is to be installed in, 171 affixed to or incorporated by such person or his agent 172 into any real property, building or structure shall not 173 be exempt under this subsection, except that sales of 174 tangible personal property to a person engaging in the 175 activity of contracting pursuant to a written contract 176 with the United States, this state, or with a political 177 subdivision thereof, or with a public corporation 178 created by the Legislature or by another governmental entity pursuant to an act of the Legislature, for a 179180 building or structure, or improvement thereto, or 181 other improvement to real property that is or will be 182owned and used by the governmental entity for a 183governmental or proprietary purpose, who incorpo-184 rates such property in such building, structure or improvement shall, with respect to such tangible 185186 personal property, nevertheless be deemed to be the 187 vendor of such property to the governmental entity and any person seeking to qualify for and assert this 188 189 exception must do so pursuant to such legislative rules 190 and regulations as the tax commissioner may promul-191 gate and upon such forms as the tax commissioner 192may prescribe. A subcontractor who, pursuant to a 193written subcontract with a prime contractor who qualifies for this exception, provides equipment, or 194 195 materials, and labor to such a prime contractor shall 196be treated in the same manner as the prime contractor is treated with respect to the prime contract under 197198this exception and the legislative rules and regulations 199 promulgated by the tax commissioner: Provided 200further, That the exemption for government contrac-201 tors in the preceding proviso shall expire on the first 202day of October, one thousand nine hundred ninety, 203subject to the transition rules set forth in section 204eight-c of this article;

205 (k) Sales of property or services to nationally
206 chartered fraternal or social organizations for the sole
207 purpose of free distribution in public welfare or relief

208 work: *Provided*, That sales of gasoline and special fuel209 shall be taxable;

(1) Sales and services, fire fighting or station house
equipment, including construction and automotive,
made to any volunteer fire department organized and
incorporated under the laws of the state of West
Virginia: *Provided*, That sales of gasoline and special
fuel shall be taxable;

(m) Sales of newspapers when delivered to consu-mers by route carriers;

(n) Sales of drugs dispensed upon prescription andsales of insulin to consumers for medical purposes;

(o) Sales of radio and television broadcasting time,
preprinted advertising circulars and newspaper and
outdoor advertising space for the advertisement of
goods or services;

224 (p) Sales and services performed by day-care centers;

(q) Casual and occasional sales of property or
services not conducted in a repeated manner or in the
ordinary course of repetitive and successive transactions of like character by a corporation or organization
which is exempt from tax under subsection (f) of this
section on its purchases of tangible personal property
or services:

232(1) For purposes of this subsection, the term "casual 233 and occasional sales not conducted in repeated manner 234 or in the ordinary course of repetitive and successive 235transactions of like character" means sales of tangible 236personal property or services at fund raisers sponsored 237by a corporation or organization which is exempt, 238 under subsection (f) of this section, from payment of 239the tax imposed by this article on its purchases, when 240 such fund raisers are of limited duration and are held 241 no more than six times during any twelve-month 242 period and limited duration means no more than 243 eighty-four consecutive hours;

(2) The provisions of this subsection (q), as amendedby this act, shall apply to sales made after the thirtieth

246 day of June, one thousand nine hundred eighty-nine;

(r) Sales of property or services to a school which
has approval from the board of trustees of the university system of West Virginia or the board of directors
of the state college system to award degrees, which has
its principal campus in this state, and which is exempt
from federal and state income taxes under section
501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
amended: *Provided*, That sales of gasoline and special
fuel shall be taxable;

(s) Sales of mobile homes to be utilized by purchasers as their principal year-round residence and dwelling: *Provided*, That these mobile homes shall be
subject to tax at the three percent rate;

(t) Sales of lottery tickets and materials by licensed
lottery sales agents and lottery retailers authorized by
the state lottery commission, under the provisions of
article twenty-two, chapter twenty-nine of this code;

(u) Leases of motor vehicles titled pursuant to the provisions of article three, chapter seventeen-a of this code to lessees for a period of thirty or more consecutive days. This exemption shall apply to leases executed on or after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven, and to payments under long-term leases executed before such date, for months thereof beginning on or after such date;

272(v) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (g) 273 of this section or any provisions of this article to the 274 contrary, sales of property and services to persons 275subject to tax under article thirteen, thirteen-a or 276thirteen-b of this chapter: Provided, That the exemp-277tion herein granted shall apply both to property or services directly or not directly used or consumed in 278279the conduct of privileges which are subject to tax  $280^{\circ}$ under such articles but shall not apply to purchases of 281 gasoline or special fuel;

(w) Sales of propane to consumers for poultry househeating purposes, with any seller to such consumerwho may have prior paid such tax in his price, to not

285 pass on the same to the consumer, but to make 286 application and receive refund of such tax from the 287 tax commissioner, pursuant to rules and regulations 288 which shall be promulgated by the tax commissioner; 289 and notwithstanding the provisions of section eighteen 290 of this article or any other provisions of such article to 291 the contrary;

(x) Any sales of tangible personal property or services purchased after the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven, and lawfully paid for with food stamps pursuant to the federal food stamp program codified in 7 United States Code, §2011, et seq., as amended, or with drafts issued through the West Virginia special supplemental food program for women, infants and children codified in 300 42 United States Code, §1786;

301 (y) Sales of tickets for activities sponsored by
302 elementary and secondary schools located within this
303 state;

304 (z) Sales of electronic data processing services and 305 related software: Provided, That for the purposes of 306 this subsection (z) "electronic data processing servi-307 ces'' means: (1) The processing of another's data, 308 including all processes incident to processing of data 309 such as keypunching, keystroke verification, rearrang-310 ing or sorting of previously documented data for the 311 purpose of data entry or automatic processing, and 312 changing the medium on which data is sorted, 313 whether these processes are done by the same person or several persons; and (2) providing access to com-314 315 puter equipment for the purpose of processing data or 316examining or acquiring data stored in or accessible to 317 such computer equipment;

318 (aa) Tuition charged for attending educational319 summer camps;

320 (bb) Sales of building materials or building supplies 321 or other property to an organization qualified under 322 section 501(c)(3) or (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code 323 of 1986, as amended, which are to be installed in, 324 affixed to or incorporated by such organization or its 325 agent into real property, or into a building or structure
326 which is or will be used as permanent low-income
327 housing, transitional housing, emergency homeless
328 shelter, domestic violence shelter or emergency chil329 dren and youth shelter if such shelter is owned,
330 managed, developed or operated by an organization
331 qualified under section 501(c)(3) or (c)(4) of the
332 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

333 (cc) Dispensing of services performed by one corpo-334 ration for another corporation when both corporations are members of the same controlled group. Control 335 means ownership, directly or indirectly, of stock 336 337 possessing fifty percent or more of the total combined 338 voting power of all classes of the stock of a corporation entitled to vote or ownership, directly or indirectly, of 339 stock possessing fifty percent or more of the value of 340 341 the corporation;

342 (dd) Food for the following shall be exempt:

343 (1) Food purchased or sold by public or private
344 schools, school sponsored student organizations, or
345 school sponsored parent-teacher associations to stu346 dents enrolled in such school or to employees of such
347 school during normal school hours; but not those sales
348 of food made to the general public;

349 (2) Food purchased or sold by a public or private 350 college or university or by a student organization officially recognized by such college or university to 351352students enrolled at such college or university when 353such sales are made on a contract basis so that a fixed 354 price is paid for consumption of food products for a 355 specific period of time without respect to the amount of food product actually consumed by the particular 356 individual contracting for the sale and no money is 357 358 paid at the time the food product is served or 359consumed;

(3) Food purchased or sold by a charitable or private
nonprofit organization, a nonprofit organization or a
governmental agency under a program to provide food
to low-income persons at or below cost;

(4) Food sold in an occasional sale by a charitable or
nonprofit organization including volunteer fire departments and rescue squads, if the purpose of the sale is
to obtain revenue for the functions and activities of
the organization and the revenue so obtained is
actually expended for that purpose;

370 (5) Food sold by any religious organization at a social 371 or other gathering conducted by it or under its 372 auspices, if the purpose in selling the food is to obtain 373 revenue for the functions and activities of the organi-374 zation and the revenue obtained from selling the food 375 is actually used in carrying on such functions and 376 activities: *Provided*, That purchases made by such 377 organizations shall not be exempt as a purchase for 378 resale;

(ee) Sales of food by little leagues, midget football
leagues, youth football or soccer leagues and similar
types of organizations, including scouting groups and
church youth groups, if the purpose in selling the food
is to obtain revenue for the functions and activities of
the organization and the revenues obtained from
selling the food is actually used in supporting or
carrying on functions and activities of the groups: *Provided*, That such purchases made by such organizations shall not be exempt as a purchase for resale;

(ff) Charges for room and meals by fraternities and
sororities to their members: *Provided*, That such
purchases made by a fraternity or sorority shall not be
exempt as a purchase for resale;

(gg) Sales of or charges for the transportation ofpassengers in interstate commerce;

(hh) Sales of tangible personal property or services
to any person which this state is prohibited from
taxing under the laws of the United States or under
the constitution of this state;

(ii) Sales of tangible personal property or services to
any person who claims exemption from the tax
imposed by this article or article fifteen-a of this
chapter pursuant to the provisions of any other

403 chapter of this code;

404 (jj) Charges for the services of opening and closing 405 a burial lot;

406 (kk) Sales of livestock, poultry or other farm pro-407 ducts in their original state by the producer thereof or 408 a member of the producer's immediate family who is 409 not otherwise engaged in making retail sales of 410 tangible personal property; and sales of livestock sold at public sales sponsored by breeder's or registry 411 412 associations or livestock auction markets: Provided, That the exemptions allowed by this subsection shall 413 414 apply to sales made on or after the first day of July, 415 one thousand nine hundred ninety, and may be 416 claimed without presenting or obtaining exemption 417 certificates: Provided, however, That the farmer shall 418 maintain adequate records:

419 (11) Sales of motion picture films to motion picture 420 exhibitors for exhibition if the sale of tickets or the 421 charge for admission to the exhibition of the film is 422 subject to the tax imposed by this article and sales of 423 coin-operated video arcade machines, or video arcade games, to a person engaged in the business of provid-424425 ing such machines to the public for a charge upon 426 which the tax imposed by this article is remitted to the 427 tax commissioner: Provided, That the exemption 428 provided in this subsection shall apply to sales made 429on or after the first day of July, one thousand nine 430 hundred ninety, and may be claimed by presenting to 431 the seller a properly executed exemption certificate;

432 (mm) Sales of aircraft repair, remodeling and 433 maintenance services when such services are to an 434 aircraft operated by a certified or licensed carrier of 435 persons or property, or by a governmental entity, or to 436 an engine or other component part of an aircraft 437 operated by a certificated or licensed carrier of 438 persons or property, or by a governmental entity and 439sales of tangible personal property that is permanently 440 affixed or permanently attached as a component part 441 of an aircraft owned or operated by a certificated or licensed carrier of persons or property, or by a 442

governmental entity, as part of the repair, remodeling
or maintenance service and sales of machinery, tools,
or equipment, directly used or consumed exclusively
in the repair, remodeling, or maintenance of aircraft,
aircraft engines, or aircraft component parts, for a
certificated or licensed carrier of persons or property,
or for a governmental entity; and

450 (nn) Sales of tangible personal property and services 451 to a person entitled to claim the tax credit for invest-452ment in certain management information services 453 facilities allowed under section three-c, article 454 thirteen-d of this chapter, pursuant to the issuance of 455a management information services tax credit certifi-456 cation by the tax commissioner in accordance with 457 subsection (e), section three-c, article thirteen-d of this 458 chapter, when such property or services are directly 459 used or consumed by the purchaser in the operation of 460 the management information services facility, as 461 defined in section two of this article for which credit 462 is allowed under section three-c, article thirteen-d of 463 this chapter. Tangible personal property, or services, directly used or consumed in the operation of a 464 465management information services facility includes 466 only: (1) Computer processing and telecommunications equipment; (2) data storage and input/output devices; 467 468 (3) disaster recovery services; (4) supplies; (5) applica-469 tion, telecommunication and operating system soft-470 ware; (6) repair and maintenance of any of the 471 aforesaid items; and (7) other tangible personal prop-472erty or services directly used or consumed in the 473operation of a management information services 474 facility: Provided, That the property is purchased or 475 leased after the thirty-first day of March, one thou-476 sand nine hundred ninety-one. This exemption shall 477 not apply to tangible personal property, or services, 478 that are not directly used or consumed in the opera-479 tion of a management information services facility, or 480 to gasoline or special fuel: Provided, however, That nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to limit, 481 482 exclude or preclude the application or availability of 483 any other exemption set forth in this section, or 484 elsewhere in this code, which might otherwise apply 485 to any sale of tangible personal property or services.

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

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