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[Passed March 5, 1991; to take effect July 1, 1991.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article eighteen, chapter twenty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the membership of the railroad maintenance authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 18. WEST VIRGINIA RAILROAD MAINTENANCE AUTHORITY.

- §29-18-4. West Virginia railroad maintenance authority created; organization of authority; appointment of members; term of office, compensation and expenses; director of authority.
 - 1 There is hereby created the West Virginia railroad
 - 2 maintenance authority. The authority is a governmen-
 - 3 tal instrumentality of the state and a body corporate.
 - 4 The exercise by the authority of the powers conferred
 - 5 by this article and the carrying out of its purposes and
 - 6 duties shall be deemed and held to be, and are hereby

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7 determined to be, essential governmental functions and for a public purpose.

9 The authority shall consist of seven members. The 10 secretary of the department of transportation shall be 11 a member ex officio. The other six members shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and 13 consent of the Senate, for a term of six years. Of the 14 members of the authority first appointed, two shall be 15 appointed for a term ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven, two 16 17shall be appointed for a term ending two years thereafter and two shall be appointed for a term ending four years thereafter. A person appointed to fill 20 a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term. Each 23authority member shall serve until the appointment and qualification of his successor. No more than three of the appointed authority members shall at any one time belong to the same political party. Appointed 27 authority members may be reappointed to serve 28 additional terms.

All members of the authority shall be citizens of the 30 state. Each appointed member of the board, before entering upon his duties, shall comply with the requirements of article one, chapter six of this code 33 and give bond in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars in the manner provided in article two, chapter six of this code. The governor may remove any 36 authority member for cause as provided in article six, chapter six of this code.

38 Annually the authority shall elect one of its 39 members as chairman and another as vice chairman, and shall appoint a secretary-treasurer, who need not be a member of the authority. Four members of the authority shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of four members shall be necessary for any action taken by vote of the authority. No vacancy in the membership of the authority shall impair the 45 rights of a quorum by such vote to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the authority. The 48 person appointed as secretary-treasurer, including an 49 authority member if he is so appointed, shall give 50 bond in the sum of fifty thousand dollars in the 51 manner provided in article two, chapter six of this 52 code.

53 The secretary of the department of transportation 54 shall not receive any compensation for serving as an authority member. Each of the six appointed members 56 of the authority shall receive fifty dollars for each day 57 or substantial part thereof actually spent in attending meetings of the board or in discharging or carrying out 58 59 his duties and work as a member of the board. Each 60 of the six appointed members shall be reimbursed for 61 all reasonable and necessary expenses actually 62incurred in the performance of his duties as a member of such authority. All such compensation and expenses 63 incurred shall be payable solely from funds of the 64 authority or from funds appropriated for such purpose 66 by the Legislature and no liability or obligation shall 67 be incurred by the authority beyond the extent to 68 which moneys are available from funds of the authority or from such appropriations. 69

70 There shall also be a director of the authority 71 appointed by the authority.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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Chairman Senate Committee
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Originated in the Senate.
To take effect July 1, 1991.
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