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AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; to amend and reenact section ten, article nine-a, chapter eighteen of said code; to amend and reenact sections two, six, eight, thirteen and fifteen, article nine-d of said chapter; and to further amend said article by adding thereto a new section, designated section seventeen, all relating to dedicating consumers sales tax proceeds for the payment of bonds issued and to be issued by the school building authority; providing for certification of the amount needed to pay bond principal and interest for each fiscal year; providing for the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued prior to the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred ninety-four, or bonds issued for the refunding of bonds issued prior to that date: creating a special fund for the deposit of dedicated consumers sales tax revenues; providing for the issuance of bonds for which that dedicated revenue is pledged for repayment; limiting the permissible expenditures from the school building capital improvements fund and the school building debt service fund; limiting the total amount of debt which may be issued by the school building authority; and establishing limitations on contracting for the sale of bonds by the authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted; that section ten, article nine-a, chapter eighteen of said code be amended and reenacted; that sections two, six, eight, thirteen and fifteen, article nine-d of said chapter be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section seventeen, all to read as follows:

CHAPTER 11. TAXATION.

ARTICLE 15. CONSUMERS SALES TAX.

§11-15-30. Proceeds of tax; dedication of certain revenues.

- Beginning the first day of November, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, and continuing on the first
- 3 day of each succeeding month thereafter, there shall
- 4 be dedicated monthly from the collections of this tax,
- 5 prior to the payment or commitment of the proceeds
- 6 or collections of this tax for any other purpose what-
- 7 soever, an amount equal to one eighth of the projected
- 8 annual principal and interest requirements on any and9 all revenue bonds and refunding bonds issued, or to be
- 10 issued, on or after the first day of January, one
- 11 thousand nine hundred ninety-four, for which bond
- 12 moneys in the school building debt service fund have
- 13 been pledged, or will be pledged, for repayment
- 14 pursuant to section six, article nine-d, chapter eigh-
- 15 teen of this code, such principal and interest require-
- 16 ments having been certified to the tax commissioner
- 17 in accordance with the provisions of said section:
- 18 Provided, That in no event shall the total dedicated
- 19 collections of this tax to be paid into the school 20 building debt service fund, as provided in this section,
- 21 in any fiscal year exceed the lesser of the principal

- 22 and interest requirements certified to the tax commis-
- 23 sioner as aforesaid, or twelve million dollars. The
- 24 amount dedicated shall be deposited on a monthly
- 25 basis into the school building debt service fund created
- 26 pursuant to section six, article nine-d, chapter eigh-
- 27 teen of this code.

CHAPTER 18. EDUCATION.

ARTICLE 9A. PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT.

§18-9A-10. Foundation allowance to improve instructional programs.

- 1 (a) For the school year beginning on the first day of
- 2 July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three only, 3 thirty-two million five hundred twenty thousand nine
- 4 hundred ninety-four dollars, unless a greater amount
- 5 is appropriated by the Legislature, in addition to funds
- 6 which accrue from allocations due to increase in total
- 7 local share above that computed for the school year
- 8 beginning on the first day of July, one thousand nine
- 9 hundred ninety-three, from balances in the general
- 10 school fund, or from appropriations for such purpose
- 11 shall be allocated to increase state support of counties
- 12 as follows: Provided, That for the school year begin-
- 13 ning on the first day of July, one thousand nine
- 14 hundred ninety-three only, no county shall gain more 15 than seventy-three and sixty-six one-hundredths
- 16 percent or lose more than twenty-six and thirty-four
- 17 one-hundredths percent over the previous year's
- 18 allocation: Provided, however, That for the school year
- 19 beginning on the first day of July, one thousand nine
- 20 hundred ninety-four and thereafter, the sum of the
- 21 allocations shall be in an amount at least equal to the
- 22 amount appropriated by the Legislature, in addition to 23 funds which accrue from allocations due to increase in
- 24 total local share above that computed for the previous
- 25 school year, from balances in the general school fund,
- 26 or from appropriations for such purposes:
- (1) One hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be 27 28 allocated to each county;
- (2) Distribution to the counties of the remainder of 29

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30 these funds shall be made proportional to the average 31 of each county's average daily attendance for the 32 preceding year and the county's second month net 33 enrollment. Moneys allocated by provision of this 34 section shall be used to improve instructional pro-35 grams according to a plan for instructional improve-36 ment which the affected county board shall file with 37 the state board by the first day of August of each year. 38 to be approved by the state board by the first day of 39 September of that year if such plan substantially 40 complies with standards to be adopted by the state 41 board: Provided, That notwithstanding any other 42 provision of this code to the contrary, moneys allo-43 cated by provision of this section may also be used in 44 the implementation and maintenance of the uniform integrated regional computer information system; and

(3) For the school year beginning on the first day of 47 July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, up to 48 twenty-five percent of this allocation may be used to employ professional educators and/or service personnel in counties after all applicable provisions of sections four and five of this article have been fully utilized.

53 Prior to the use of any funds from this section for 54 personnel costs, the county board must receive authorization from the state superintendent of schools. The 56 state superintendent shall require the district board to 57 demonstrate: (1) The need for the allocation; (2) 58 efficiency and fiscal responsibility in staffing; and (3) 59 sharing of services with adjoining counties and the 60 regional educational service agency for that county in 61 the use of the total local district board budget. District 62 boards shall make application for available funds by 63 the first day of May: Provided, That for the school 64 year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand 65 nine hundred ninety-three only, district boards shall 66 make application for available funds by the fifteenth 67 day of June, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three. 68 On or before the first day of June, the state superin-69 tendent shall review all applications and notify apply-70 ing district boards of the distribution of the allocation:

71 Provided, however, That for the school year beginning 72 on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred 73 ninety-three only, the state superintendent shall 74 review all applications and notify applying district 75 boards of the distribution of the allocation on or before 76 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred 77 ninety-three. Such funds shall be distributed during 78 the fiscal year as appropriate. The state superinten-79 dent shall require the county board to demonstrate the 80 need for an allocation for personnel based upon the 81 county's inability to meet the requirements of state 82 law or state board policy: Provided further, That the 83 funds available for personnel under this section may 84 not be used to increase the total number of profession-85 al noninstructional personnel in the central office 86 beyond four. The instructional improvement plan shall 87 be made available for distribution to the public at the 88 office of each affected county board.

89 (b) Commencing with the school year beginning on 90 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred 91 ninety-three, an amount not less than the amount 92 required to meet debt service requirements on any 93 revenue bonds issued prior to the first day of January, 94 one thousand nine hundred ninety-four, and the debt 95 service requirements on any revenue bonds issued for 96 the purpose of refunding revenue bonds issued prior 97 to the first day of January, one thousand nine hun-98 dred ninety-four, shall be paid into the school building 99 capital improvements fund created by section six, 100 article nine-d of this chapter, and shall be used solely 101 for the purposes of said article. The school building 102 capital improvements fund shall not be utilized to 103 meet the debt services requirement on any revenue 104 bonds or revenue refunding bonds for which moneys 105 contained within the school building debt service fund 106 have been pledged for repayment pursuant to said 107 section.

ARTICLE 9D. SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY.

§18-9D-2. Definitions.

The following terms, wherever used or referred to

- 2 in this article, have the following meanings, unless a 3 different meaning clearly appears from the context:
- 4 (1) "Authority" means the school building authority 5 of West Virginia or, if said authority shall be abolished, 6 any board or officer succeeding to the principal 7 functions thereof, or to whom the powers given to said 8 authority shall be given by law;
- 9 (2) "Bonds" means bonds issued by the authority 10 pursuant to this article;
- 11 (3) "Project" or "capital improvement project"
 12 means the new construction, major renovation, repair
 13 and safety upgrading of facilities, buildings and
 14 structures for school purposes including the acquisi15 tion of land for current or future use in connection
 16 therewith, equipment, machinery, furnishings, instal17 lation of utilities and other similar items convenient in
 18 connection with placing the foregoing into operation,
 19 but may not include such items as books, fuel, supplies
 20 and other items which are customarily deemed to
 21 result in a current operating charge;
- 22 (4) "Cost of project" means the cost of construction, 23 renovation, repair and safety upgrading of facilities, 24 buildings and structures for school purposes; the cost 25 of land, equipment, machinery, furnishings, installa-26 tion of utilities and other similar items convenient in 27 connection with placing the foregoing into operation; 28 and the cost of financing, interest during construction, 29 professional service fees and all other charges or 30 expenses necessary, appurtenant or incidental to the 31 foregoing, including the cost of administration of this 32 article;
- 33 (5) "Revenue" or "revenues" means moneys depos-34 ited in the school building capital improvements fund 35 pursuant to the operation of section ten, article nine-36 a of this chapter; moneys deposited in the school 37 building debt service fund pursuant to the operation of 38 section thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of this 39 code; any moneys received, directly or indirectly, from 40 any source for the use of all or any part of any project 41 completed pursuant to this article; and any other

- 42 moneys received by the authority for the purposes of 43 this article:
- 44 (6) "Facilities plan" means the regional plan for 45 school facilities required prior to the distribution of 46 state funds to any county board pursuant to section 47 fifteen of this article; and
- 48 (7) "Region" means the area encompassed within 49 and serviced by a regional educational service agency 50 established pursuant to section twenty-six, article two 51 of this chapter.
- §18-9D-6. School building capital improvements fund in state treasury; school building debt service fund in the state treasury; collections to be paid into special funds; authority to pledge such collections as security for revenue bonds; authority to finance projects on a cash basis.
 - (a) There is continued in the state treasury a school 1 2 building capital improvements fund to be expended by 3 the authority as provided in this article.

4 The school building authority shall have authority to 5 pledge all or such part of the revenues paid into the 6 school building capital improvements fund as may be needed to meet the requirements of any revenue bond issue or issues authorized by this article prior to the 9 first day of January, one thousand nine hundred 10 ninety-four, or revenue bonds issued to refund revenue bonds issued prior to that date, including the 11 12 payment of principal of, interest and redemption 13 premium, if any, on such revenue bonds and the 14 establishing and maintaining of a reserve fund or 15 funds for the payment of the principal of, interest and 16 redemption premium, if any, on such revenue bond 17 issue or issues when other moneys pledged may be 18 insufficient therefor, including such additional protec-19 tive pledge of revenues as the authority in its discre-20 tion has provided by resolution authorizing the issue 21 of such bonds or in any trust agreement made in 22 connection therewith. The authority may further 23 provide in such resolution and in such trust agreement

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24 for such priorities on the revenues paid into such 25 school building capital improvements fund as may be 26 necessary for the protection of the prior rights of the 27 holders of bonds issued at different times under the 28 provisions of this article.

Any balance remaining in the school building capital 30 improvements fund after the authority has issued 31 bonds authorized by this article, and after the require-32 ments of all funds including reserve funds established 33 in connection with the bonds issued pursuant to this 34 article have been satisfied, may be used for the 35 redemption of any of the outstanding bonds issued 36 hereunder which by their terms are then redeemable, 37 or for the purchase of such bonds at the market price, 38 but not exceeding the price, if any, at which such 39 bonds shall in the same year be redeemable, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall forthwith be canceled and shall not again be issued.

The school building authority, in its discretion, may use the moneys in the school building capital improvements fund to finance the cost of projects on a cash 45 basis. Any pledge of moneys in such fund for revenue bonds shall be a prior and superior charge on such 47 fund over the use of any of the moneys in such fund 48 to pay for the cost of any project on a cash basis: 49 Provided. That any expenditures from such fund, 50 other than for the retirement of revenue bonds, may only be made by the authority in accordance with the 52 provisions of this article.

53 (b) There is hereby created in the state treasury a 54 special fund named the school building debt service 55 fund into which shall be deposited on and after the 56 first day of November, one thousand nine hundred 57 ninety-three, the amounts specified in section thirty, 58 article fifteen, chapter eleven of this code. All amounts 59 deposited in the fund shall be pledged to the repay-60 ment of the principal, interest and redemption premi-61 um, if any, on any revenue bonds or refunding 62 revenue bonds authorized by this article: Provided, 63 That moneys so deposited shall not be pledged to the 64 repayment of any revenue bonds issued prior to the

65 first day of January, one thousand nine hundred 66 ninety-three, or with respect to revenue bonds issued 67 for the purpose of refunding revenue bonds issued 68 prior to the first day of January, one thousand nine 69 hundred ninety-four. The authority may further 70 provide in the resolution and in the trust agreement 71 for priorities on the revenues paid into the school 72 building debt service fund as may be necessary for the 73 protection of the prior rights of the holders of bonds 74 issued at different times under the provisions of this 75 article. On or prior to the first day of January of each 76 year, commencing the first day of January, one 77 thousand nine hundred ninety-four, the authority 78 shall certify to the state tax commissioner the princi-79 pal and interest requirements for the following fiscal 80 year on any revenue bonds issued on or after the first 81 day of January, one thousand nine hundred ninety-82 four, and for which moneys deposited in the school 83 building debt service fund have been pledged, or will 84 be pledged, for repayment pursuant to this section: 85 Provided, however, That before the first day of 86 November, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, 87 the authority shall also certify to the tax commissioner of the state the principal and interest requirements for 88 89 the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred ninety-four, on any revenue bonds issued, or to be issued, on or after the first day 91 92 of January, one thousand nine hundred ninety-four.

After the authority has issued bonds authorized by 93 this article, and after the requirements of all funds 94 have been satisfied, including reserve funds established in connection with the bonds issued pursuant to 96 97 this article, any balance remaining in the school building debt service fund may be used for the redemption of any of the outstanding bonds issued 99 hereunder which, by their terms, are then redeemable 100 or for the purchase of the outstanding bonds at the 101 market price, but not to exceed the price, if any, at 102 which redeemable, and all bonds redeemed or purchased shall be forthwith canceled and shall not again 104 105 be issued.

106 (c) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that 107 the supreme court of appeals of West Virginia has held 108 that the revenue bonds authorized under the school 109 building authority act, as enacted in this article prior 110 to the twentieth day of July, one thousand nine 111 hundred ninety-three, constituted an indebtedness of 112 the state in violation of section four, article ten of the 113 constitution of West Virginia. The Legislature further 114 finds and declares that the financial capacity of a 115 county to construct facilities depends on the county's 116 bonding capacity (local property wealth) and on voter 117 willingness to pass bond issues instead of criteria 118 related to educational needs, or upon the ability of the 119 school building authority created in this article to issue 120 bonds that comply with said holding of the West 121 Virginia supreme court of appeals. The Legislature 122 hereby further finds and declares that this section, as 123 well as section thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of 124 this code, have been reenacted during the second 125 extraordinary session of the West Virginia Legislature 126 in the year one thousand nine hundred ninety-three, 127 in an attempt to comply with said holding of the 128 supreme court of appeals of West Virginia. The 129 Legislature hereby further finds and declares that the 130 continued construction and improvement of school 131 building facilities and the dedication of the consumers 132 sales tax pursuant to said section to finance such 133 construction and improvement are for the use and 134 benefit of the state, its counties, its municipalities and 135 its other political subdivisions, and such construction 136 and improvement serves the vital public purpose of 137 providing for a thorough and efficient system of free 138 schools in this state. The Legislature hereby further 139 finds and declares that it intends, through the reenactment of this section and section thirty, article fifteen, 140 141 chapter eleven of this code, to dedicate a source of 142 state revenue to a special fund for the purpose of paying the debt service on bonds and refunding bonds 144 issued subsequent to the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred ninety-four, the proceeds of 146 which will be utilized for the construction and 147 improvement of school building facilities. The Legisla148 ture further finds and declares that the vast majority 149 of free schools in West Virginia are owned by the 150 counties, and that the reenactment of this section and 151 section thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of this 152 code meets the requirements of section six-a, article 153 ten of the constitution of West Virginia. The Legisla-154 ture hereby further finds and declares that it intends, 155 through the reenactment of this section and section 156 thirty, article fifteen, chapter eleven of this code, to 157 comply with the provisions of section four, article ten; 158 section six, article ten; section six-a, article ten; and 159 section one, article twelve of the constitution of West 160 Virginia.

§18-9D-8. Issuance of revenue bonds; use of proceeds; bonds exempt from taxation.

1 The maximum aggregate face value of bonds that 2 may be issued by the authority, for which the moneys 3 in the school building debt service fund are to be 4 pledged, is one hundred eighty-five million dollars. 5 The issuance of revenue bonds under the provisions of 6 this article shall be authorized from time to time by 7 resolution or resolutions of the school building author-8 ity, which shall set forth the proposed projects and 9 provide for the issuance of bonds in amounts suffi-10 cient, when sold as hereinafter provided, to provide 11 moneys considered sufficient by the authority to pay 12 such costs, less the amounts of any other funds 13 available for said costs or from any appropriation, 14 grant or gift therefor: Provided, That bond issues from 15 which bond revenues are to be distributed in accor-16 dance with section fifteen of this article shall not be 17 required to set forth the proposed projects in the 18 resolution. Such resolution shall prescribe the rights 19 and duties of the bondholders and the school building 20 authority, and for such purpose may prescribe the 21 form of the trust agreement hereinafter referred to. 22 The bonds may be issued from time to time, in such 23 amounts: shall be of such series; bear such date or 24 dates; mature at such time or times not exceeding 25 forty years from their respective dates; bear interest at 26 such rate or rates; be in such denominations; be in

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27 such form, either coupon or registered, carrying such 28 registration, exchangeability and interchangeability 29 privileges; be payable in such medium of payment and 30 at such place or places within or without the state; be 31 subject to such terms of redemption at such prices not 32 exceeding one hundred five percent of the principal 33 amount thereof; and be entitled to such priorities on 34 the revenues paid into the fund pledged for repayment 35 of the bonds as may be provided in the resolution 36 authorizing the issuance of the bonds or in any trust 37 agreement made in connection therewith. The bonds 38 shall be signed by the governor, and by the president or vice president of the authority, under the great seal of the state, attested by the secretary of state, and the 41 coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the president or vice president of the authority. In case any of the officers whose signatures 44 appear on the bonds or coupons cease to be such 45 officers before the delivery of such bonds, such signatures shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officers had 48 remained in office until such delivery. Such revenue bonds shall be sold in such manner as the authority may determine to be for the best interests of the state.

Any pledge of revenues for such revenue bonds made by the school building authority shall be valid and binding between the parties from the time the pledge is made; and the revenues so pledged shall 55 immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge without any further physical delivery thereof or 57 further act. The lien of such pledge shall be valid and binding against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of the lien of such pledge, and such pledge shall be a prior and superior charge over any other use of such revenues so pledged.

The proceeds of such bonds shall be used solely for 64 the purpose or purposes as may be generally or 65 specifically set forth in the resolution authorizing 66 those bonds and shall be disbursed in such manner 67 and with such restrictions, if any, as the authority may

68 provide in the resolution authorizing the issuance of 69 such bonds or in the trust agreement hereinafter 70 referred to securing the same. If the proceeds of such 71 bonds, by error in calculations or otherwise, shall be 72 less than the cost of any projects specifically set forth 73 in the resolution, additional bonds may in like manner 74 be issued to provide the amount of the deficiency; and 75 unless otherwise provided for in the resolution or trust 76 agreement hereinafter mentioned, such additional 77 bonds shall be considered to be of the same issue, and 78 shall be entitled to payment from the same fund, 79 without preference or priority, as the bonds before 80 issued for such projects. If the proceeds of bonds issued for such projects exceed the cost thereof, the 82 surplus may be used for such other projects as the 83 school building authority may determine or in such 84 other manner as the resolution authorizing such bonds may provide. Prior to the preparation of definitive 85 bonds, the authority may, under like restrictions, issue 87 temporary bonds with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds upon the issuance of such 89 definitive bonds.

After the issuance of any of such revenue bonds, the revenues pledged therefor shall not be reduced as long as any of such revenue bonds are outstanding and unpaid except under such terms, provisions and 94 conditions as shall be contained in the resolution, trust agreement or other proceedings under which such 96 revenue bonds were issued.

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Such revenue bonds and the revenue refunding bonds and bonds issued for combined purposes shall, together with the interest thereon, be exempt from all 100 taxation by the state of West Virginia, or by any county, school district, municipality or political subdivision thereof.

103 To meet the operational costs of the school building 104 authority, the school building authority may transfer 105 to a special revenue account in the state treasury 106 interest on any debt service reserve funds created within any resolution authorizing the issue of bonds or 107 108 any trust agreement made in connection therewith, 109 for expenditure in accordance with legislative appro-110 priation or allocation of appropriation.

§18-9D-13. Sinking fund for payment of bonds.

- (a) From the school building capital improvements 2 fund the school building authority shall make periodic 3 payments in an amount sufficient to meet the require-4 ments of any issue of bonds sold under the provisions 5 of this article prior to the first day of January, one 6 thousand nine hundred ninety-four, or for refunding bonds issued prior to that date as may be specified in 8 the resolution of the authority authorizing the issue 9 thereof and in any trust agreement entered into in connection therewith. The payments so made shall be 11 placed as specified in such resolution or trust agree-12 ment in a special sinking fund which is hereby 13 pledged to and charged with the payment of the 14 principal of the bonds of such issue and the interest 15 thereon, and to the redemption or repurchase of such 16 bonds, such sinking fund to be a fund for all bonds of 17 such issue without distinction or priority of one over 18 another, except as may be provided in the resolution 19 authorizing such issue of bonds. The moneys in the special sinking fund, less such reserve for payment of 21 principal and interest and redemption premium, if 22 any, as may be required by the resolution of the school 23 building authority, authorizing the issue or any trust 24 agreement made in connection therewith, may be 25 used for the redemption of any of the outstanding 26 bonds payable from such fund which by their terms 27 are then redeemable, or for the purchase of bonds at 28 the market price, but at not exceeding the price, if 29 any, at which such bonds shall in the same year be 30 redeemable; and all bonds redeemed or purchased 31 shall forthwith be canceled and shall not again be 32 issued.
- 33 (b) From the school building debt service fund, the 34 authority shall make periodic payments in an amount 35 sufficient to meet the requirements of any issue of 36 bonds sold under the provisions of this article on or 37 after the first day of January, one thousand nine 38 hundred ninety-four, and for which the authority has

39 pledged revenues in such fund for the payment of 40 such bonds, as may be specified in the resolution of 41 the authority authorizing the issue thereof or in any 42 trust agreement entered into in connection therewith. 43 The payments so made shall be placed as specified in 44 the resolution or trust agreement in a special sinking 45 fund which is hereby pledged to and charged with the 46 payment of the principal of the bonds of the issue and 47 the interest thereon, and to the redemption or repur-48 chase of the bonds, the sinking fund to be a fund for 49 all bonds of the particular issue without distinction or 50 priority of one over another, except as may be provid-51 ed in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the 52 bonds. The moneys in the special sinking fund, less the 53 reserve for payment of principal and interest and 54 redemption premium, if any, as may be required by 55 the resolution of the school building authority autho-56 rizing the issue or any trust agreement made in 57 connection therewith, may be used for redemption of 58 any of the outstanding bonds payable from the fund 59 which by their terms are then redeemable, or for the 60 purchase of bonds at the market price, but not exceed-61 ing the price, if any, at which such bonds shall in the 62 same year be redeemable; and all bonds redeemed or 63 purchased shall forthwith be canceled and shall not 64 again be issued.

§18-9D-15. Legislative intent; distribution of money.

- 1 (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to empower the 2 school building authority to facilitate and provide state 3 funds for the construction and maintenance of school 4 facilities so as to meet the educational needs of the 5 people of this state in an efficient and economical 6 manner. The authority shall make funding determinations in accordance with the provisions of this article 8 and shall assess existing school facilities and each 9 facilities plan in relation to the needs of the individual 10 student, the general school population, the communities served by the facilities and facility needs statewide.
- 12 (b) An amount that is no more than three percent of 13 the sum of moneys that are determined by the author-14 ity to be available for distribution during the then

current fiscal year from: (1) Moneys paid into the school building capital improvements fund pursuant to section ten, article nine-a of this chapter; (2) the issuance of revenue bonds for which moneys in the school building capital improvements fund or the school building debt service fund are pledged as security; and (3) any other moneys received by the authority may be allocated and may be expended by the authority for projects that service the educational community statewide or, upon application by the state board, for educational programs that are under the jurisdiction of the state board.

27 Fifty percent of the remaining available funds shall 28 be allocated and distributed to each county board on 29 the basis of its net enrollment as defined in section 30 two, article nine-a of this chapter: Provided, That such 31 moneys shall not be distributed to any county board 32 whose region does not have an approved region-wide 33 facilities plan or to any county board that is not 34 prepared to commence expenditures of such funds 35 during the fiscal year in which the moneys are 36 distributed: Provided, however, That any moneys 37 allocated to a county board and not distributed to that 38 county board shall be deposited in an account to the 39 credit of that county board, such principal amount to 40 remain to the credit of and available to the county 41 board for a period of three years. Any moneys which 42 are unexpended after a three-year period shall be 43 redistributed on the basis of net enrollment to those 44 county boards then eligible for the receipt of net 45 enrollment distributions in that fiscal year.

The remaining fifty percent of moneys available for distribution shall be allocated and expended on the basis of need and efficient use of resources, such basis to be determined by the authority in accordance with the provisions of section sixteen of this article.

No local matching funds shall be required under the provisions of this subsection, and any county board may use the state moneys provided herein in conjunction with local funds derived from bonding or other source. Any county board may dedicate any allocations 56 of state moneys pursuant to this subsection to the 57 payment of local bonds used for purposes encompassed 58 in an approved facilities plan or for the payment of 59 bonds that are issued by the authority for the benefit 60 of that county that are in addition to the bond moneys 61 distributed in accordance with this subsection.

- 62 Moneys made available pursuant to this subsection 63 that shall be expended on projects that benefit more 64 than one district shall be apportioned among the 65 districts in accordance with the formula encompassed 66 in that portion of the facilities plan that addresses the project designed to benefit more than one district.
- 68 (c) To encourage regional educational service agen-69 cies and county boards to proceed promptly with 70 facilities planning and to prepare for the expenditure 71 of any state moneys derived from the sources de-72 scribed in subsection (b) of this section, any county 73 board failing to expend money within three years of 74 the allocation thereto shall forfeit such allocation and 75 thereafter shall be ineligible for further net enroll-76 ment or other allocations pursuant to said subsection 77 until the county board is ready to expend funds in 78 accordance with an approved facilities plan. Any 79 amount so forfeited shall be added to the total funds 80 available for allocation and distribution in the next 81 ensuing fiscal year.
- 82 (d) Distribution to the county boards may be in a 83 lump sum or in accordance with a schedule of pay-84 ments adopted by the authority pursuant to such 85 guidelines as it shall adopt.

§18-9D-17. Limitations on contracts for sale of bonds or other securities.

(a) When issuing its bonds or other securities pursu-1 2 ant to the provisions of this article, the school building 3 authority shall not employ or contract with any person 4 or business entity acting as an investment adviser, 5 underwriter, broker, dealer, government securities 6 broker, government securities dealer, transfer agent, 7 attorney, bond counsel, trustee or accountant, if the 8 authority finds, on the record after notice and oppor-

- 9 tunity for hearing, that employing or contracting with 10 such person or business entity would be contrary to 11 the public interest, and that such person or business 12 entity, or any person associated with such person or 13 entity, whether prior to or subsequent to becoming so 14 associated, has been convicted, within the five years 15 preceding the date when such bonds or other securities are proposed to be issued, of a felony or misdemeanor under the laws of this state, a sister state or 18 the United States of America, involving the sale or 19 purchase of any government security, and if the 20 authority further finds that the offense committed 11 involves:
- 22 (1) The bribery of a public officer or employee or a 23 member of the immediate family of a public officer or 24 employee;
- 25 (2) Perjury;
- 26 (3) Larceny;
- 27 (4) Any substantially equivalent activity, however 28 denominated by the laws of the relevant jurisdiction; 29 or
- 30 (5) The conspiracy to commit any such offense.
- 31 (b) When issuing its bonds or other securities, the 32 school building authority shall not employ or contract 33 with any person or business entity acting as an 34 investment adviser, underwriter, broker, dealer, 35 government securities broker, government securities 36 dealer, transfer agent, attorney, bond counsel, trustee 37 or accountant, if the authority finds, on the record 38 after notice and opportunity for hearing, that employing or contracting with such person or business entity 39 would be contrary to the public interest, and that such 31 person or business entity, or any person associated 32 with such person or entity, whether prior to or 32 subsequent to becoming so associated, has, within the 34 five years preceding the date when such bonds or 35 other securities are proposed to be issued:
- 46 (1) Directly or indirectly given, offered or promised 47 money, services, or any other thing of value having a

48 value of greater than one hundred dollars to a public 49 officer or employee or a member of the immediate 50 family of a public officer or employee when the 51 money, service or other thing of value constituted a 52 material part of the factual basis upon which the 53 public officer or employee or a member of the immediate family of the public officer or employee was 55 convicted of a felony or misdemeanor under the laws 56 of this state, a sister state or the United States of 57 America, involving the sale or purchase of any government security; or

- 59 (2) Willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, 60 induced, or procured a violation which constitutes the 61 basis for a misdemeanor or felony conviction as 62 described in subsection (a) of this section or subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- (c) When issuing its bonds or other securities pursu-64 65 ant to the provisions of this article, the school building 66 authority shall not employ or contract with any person 67 or business entity acting as an investment adviser, 68 underwriter, broker, dealer, government securities 69 broker, government securities dealer, transfer agent, 70 attorney, bond counsel, trustee or accountant, if the 71 authority finds, on the record after notice and oppor-72 tunity for hearing, that employing or contracting with 73 such person or business entity would be contrary to 74 the public interest, and that such person or business 75 entity, or any person associated with such person or 76 entity, whether prior to or subsequent to becoming so associated, has conducted or is conducting any business 78 or transaction in which a financial interest is held by 79 a public officer or employee, agent or attorney of the 80 government of this state, or a member of the imme-81 diate family of such persons, if the public officer or 82 employee, agent or attorney is in a position whereby 83 he or she may personally and substantially influence 84 the discretionary actions of the authority in connection 85 with the issuance of bonds or other securities, through 86 decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, the 87 rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise: 88 Provided, That the ethics commission shall, on or

- 89 before the fifteenth day of December, one thousand 90 nine hundred ninety-three, promulgate an emergency 91 rule to establish guidelines and standards for the 92 implementation of this subsection by the authority.
- 93 (d) For purposes of this section, the term "immedi-94 ate family" means a spouse and any unemancipated 95 child of a person.
- 96 (e) The school building authority may declare void 97 and rescind any contract with any person or business 98 entity acting as an investment adviser, underwriter, 99 broker, dealer, government securities broker, govern-100 ment securities dealer, transfer agent, attorney, bond 101 counsel, trustee or accountant, if the authority finds, 102 on the record after notice and opportunity for hearing, 103 that continuing to employ or contract with such 104 person or business entity would be contrary to the 105 public interest, and that such person or business 106 entity, or any person associated with such person or 107 entity, whether prior to or subsequent to becoming so 108 associated, has engaged in conduct which would 109 prohibit the authority, under the provision of this 110 section, from entering into a contract with such person 111 or business entity if the contract was yet to be 112 executed.

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