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[Passed March 7, 1996; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one hundred five, article nine, chapter forty-six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to clarifying that a certificated certificate of deposit is an "instrument" for purposes of secured transactions governed by the uniform commercial code.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 9. SECURED TRANSACTIONS; SALES OF ACCOUNTS AND CHATTEL PAPERS.

## §46-9-105. Definitions and index of definitions.

- 1 (1) In this article, unless the context otherwise re-
- 2 quires:

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- 3 (a) "Account debtor" means the person who is obli-4 gated on an account, chattel paper or general intangible;
- (b) "Chattel paper" means a writing or writings which evidence both a monetary obligation and a security interest in or a lease of specific goods, but a charter or other contract involving the use or hire of a vessel is not chattel paper. When a transaction is evidenced both by such a security agreement or a lease and by an instrument or a series of instruments, the group of writings taken together constitutes chattel paper;
  - (c) "Collateral" means the property subject to a security interest, and includes accounts, and chattel paper which have been sold;
- (d) "Debtor" means the person who owes payment or 16 other performance of the obligation secured, whether or 17 not he owns or has rights in the collateral, and includes the seller of accounts, or chattel paper. Where the 19 debtor and the owner of the collateral are not the same 20 person, the term "debtor" means the owner of the collateral in any provision of the article dealing with the 22 collateral, the obligor in any provision dealing with the 23 obligation, and may include both where the context so 25 requires;
- 26 (e) "Deposit account" means a demand, time, savings, 27 passbook or like account maintained with a bank, 28 savings and loan association, credit union or like organi-29 zation, other than an account evidenced by a certificate 30 of deposit;
- 31 (f) "Document" means document of title as defined in 32 the general definitions of article 1 (section 1-201), and a 33 receipt of the kind described in subsection (2) of section 34 7-201;
- (g) "Encumbrance" includes real estate mortgages and
  other liens on real estate and all other rights in real
  estate that are not ownership interests;
- 38 (h) "Goods" includes all things which are moveable at

- 39 the time the security interest attaches or which are fixtures (section 9-313), but does not include money, 40 documents, instruments, investment property, commod-41 42 ity contracts, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, or minerals or the like (including oil and gas) before 43 extraction. "Goods" also includes standing timber 44 which is to be cut and removed under a conveyance or 45
- 46 contract for sale, the unborn young of animals, and
- 47 growing crops;
- (i) "Instrument" means a negotiable instrument 48 (defined in section 3-104), or any other writing which 49 evidences a right to the payment of money and is not 50 itself a security agreement or lease and is of a type which 51 52is in ordinary course of business transferred by delivery with any necessary endorsement or assignment, includ-53 ing, but not limited to, all certificated certificates of 54 deposit. The term does not include investment property; 55
- (i) "Mortgage" means a consensual interest created by 56 57 a real estate mortgage, a trust deed on real estate, or the 58 like;
- 59 (k) An advance is made "pursuant to commitment" if 60 the secured party has bound himself to make it, whether or not a subsequent event of default or other event not 61 62 within his control has relieved or may relieve him from 63 his obligation;
- (l) "Security agreement" means an agreement which 64 65 creates or provides for a security interest;
- 66 (m) "Secured party" means a lender, seller or other 67 person in whose favor there is a security interest, includ-68 ing a person to whom accounts or chattel paper have 69 been sold. When the holders of obligations issued under 70 an indenture of trust, equipment trust agreement or the 71 like are represented by a trustee or other person, the 72 representative is the secured party;
- 73 (n) "Transmitting utility" means any person primarily engaged in the railroad, street railway or trolley bus 74 business, the electric or electronics communications

76 77 78 79	transmission business, the transmission of goods by pipeline, or the transmission or the production and transmission of electricity, steam, gas or water, or the provision of sewer service.	
80 81	(2) Other definitions applying to this article and the sections in which they appear are:	
82	"Account".	Section 9-106.
83	"Attach".	Section 9-203.
84	"Commodity contract".	Section 9-115.
85	"Commodity customer".	Section 9-115.
86	"Commodity intermediary".	Section 9-115.
87	"Construction mortgage".	Section 9-313(1).
88	"Consumer goods".	Section 9-109(1).
89	"Control".	Section 9-115.
90	"Equipment".	Section 9-109(2).

92 "Fixture". Section 9-313(1). 93 "Fixture filing". Section 9-313(1).

"Farm products".

"Inventory".

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94 "General intangibles". Section 9-106.

Section 9-109(3).

Section 9-109(4).

96 "Investment property". Section 9-115.

97 "Lien creditor". Section 9–301(3).

98 "Proceeds". Section 9-306(1).

99 "Purchase money security interest". Section 9-107.

100 "United States". Section 9-103.

101 (3) The following definitions in other articles apply to

102 this article:

103 "Broker". Section 8-102.

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104	"Certificated security".	Section 8-102.	
105	"Check".	Section 3-104.	
106	"Clearing corporation".	Section 8-102.	
107	"Contract for sale".	Section 2-106.	
108	"Control".	Section 8-106.	
109	"Delivery".	Section 8-301.	
110	"Entitlement holder".	Section 8-102.	
111	"Financial asset".	Section 8-102.	
112	"Holder in due course".	Section 3-302.	
113	"Note".	Section 3-104.	
114	"Sale".	Section 2-106.	
115	"Securities intermediary".	Section 8-102.	
116	"Security".	Section 8-102.	
117	"Security certificate".	Section 8-102.	
118	"Security entitlement".	Section 8-102.	
119	"Uncertificated security".	Section 8-102.	
<ul> <li>(4) In addition, article 1 contains general definitions</li> <li>and principles of construction and interpretation appli-</li> <li>cable throughout this article.</li> </ul>			

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

Chairman House Committee

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Of Roy Jembles

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

this the 19th day of March 1996.

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