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#### Senate Bill No. 764

(By Senators Craigo, Anderson, Bailey, Chafin, Helmick, Jackson, Love, Macnaughtan, Plymale, Prezioso, Sharpe, Walker, Boley, Dugan, McKenzie, Minear and Sprouse)

[Passed March 14, 1998; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirteen, article sixteena, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to funding of projects of the Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority from proceeds of parkways authority's economic development projects and tourism projects; and duty of parkways authority to seek authorization to issue additional revenue bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section thirteen, article sixteen-a, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

### ARTICLE 16A. WEST VIRGINIA PARKWAYS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM AUTHORITY.

## §17-16A-13. Tolls, rents, fees, charges and revenues; competitive bidding on contracts.

1 (a) (1) The parkways authority is hereby authorized to  $\mathbf{2}$ fix, revise, charge and collect tolls for the use of each 3 parkway project and the different parts or sections thereof, and to fix, revise, charge and collect rents, fees, 4 charges and other revenues, of whatever kind or character, 5 for the use of each economic development project or 6 7 tourism project, or any part or section thereof, and to 8 contract with any person, partnership, association or 9 corporation desiring the use of any part thereof, including the right-of-way adjoining the paved portion, for placing 10 thereon telephone, telegraph, electric light, power or other 11 utility lines, gas stations, garages, stores, hotels, restau-12 rants and advertising signs, or for any other purpose 13 except for tracks for railroad or railway use, and to fix the 14 15 terms, conditions, rents and rates of charges for such use. Such tolls, rents, fees and charges shall be so fixed and 16 17 adjusted in respect of the aggregate of tolls, or in respect of the aggregate rents, fees and charges, from the project 18 or projects in connection with which the bonds of any 19 issue shall have been issued as to provide a fund sufficient 20 with other revenues, if any, to pay: (A) The cost of main-21 22 taining, repairing and operating such project or projects; 23 and (B) the principal of and the interest on such bonds as 24 the same shall become due and payable, and to create reserves for such purposes. Such tolls, rents, fees and 25 26 other charges shall not be subject to supervision or regulation by any other commission, board, bureau, 27 28 department or agency of the state. The tolls, rents, fees, charges and all other revenues derived from the project or 29 30 projects in connection with which the bonds of any issue 31 shall have been issued, except such part thereof as may be 32 necessary to pay such cost of maintenance, repair and 33 operation and to provide such reserves therefor as may be

34 provided for in the resolution authorizing the issuance of such bonds or in the trust agreement securing the same, 35 shall be set aside at such regular intervals as may be 36 37 provided in such resolution or such trust agreement in a sinking fund which is hereby pledged to, and charged 38 39 with, the payment of: (i) The interest upon such bonds as 40 such interest shall fall due; (ii) the principal of such bonds as the same shall fall due; (iii) the necessary charges of 41 42 paying agents for paying principal and interest; and (iv) the redemption price or the purchase price of bonds 43 44 retired by call or purchase as therein provided. The use and disposition of moneys to the credit of such sinking 45 46 fund shall be subject to the provisions of the resolution authorizing the issuance of such bonds or of such trust 47 agreement. Except as may otherwise be provided in such 48 resolution or such trust agreement, such sinking fund shall 49 be a fund for all such bonds without distinction or priority 50 51 of one over another. The moneys in the sinking fund, less 52 such reserve as may be provided in such resolution or trust agreement, if not used within a reasonable time for the 53 purchase of bonds for cancellation as above provided, 54 shall be applied to the redemption of bonds at the redemp-55 tion price then applicable. 56

(2) (A) In fiscal year one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight, after the parkways authority has met or provided for the satisfaction of each requirement imposed by the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the parkways authority shall pay two hundred fifty thousand dollars to the Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority from any remaining balance of revenues received from economic development projects and tourism projects.

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65 (B) Upon the effective date of this act, the parkways 66 authority shall seek authorization from the federal 67 highway administration, the state department of transpor-68 tation and the trustee under any trust indenture or 69 agreement existing as the result of the issuance of any 70 revenue bonds under the provisions of this article to issue

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additional revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed 71 72 six million dollars for the purpose of funding projects of 73 the Hatfield-McCov regional recreation authority. Upon 74 the agreement of all of such entities that the parkways 75 authority be authorized to do so, as certified to the 76 parkways authority, the governor and the joint committee on government and finance, the parkways authority is 77 authorized to issue additional revenue bonds in a total 78 79 amount not to exceed six million dollars. The proceeds of the revenue bonds shall be used to fund projects of the 80 81 Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority. 82 issuance of such revenue bonds and the application of the 83 proceeds thereof shall be subject to each condition. restriction or other provision of this article applicable to 84 85 the issuance of parkway revenue bonds. In the event the 86 agreement is not certified as required by this subsection, 87 and until the same is certified, the parkways authority 88 shall pay two hundred fifty thousand dollars to the 89 Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority in the fiscal 90 year ending the thirtieth day of June, two thousand, and 91 in each fiscal year thereafter, for a total of four consecu-92 tive years, for the purpose of funding projects of the Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority. 93 amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments from 94 remaining balances in each such fiscal year of revenues 95 received from economic development projects and tourism 96 97 projects as determined in the manner provided in para-98 graph (A) of this subdivision.

(b) The parkways authority shall cause, as soon as it is legally able to do so, all contracts to which it is a party and which relate to the operation, maintenance or use of any restaurant, motel or other lodging facility, truck and automobile service facility, food vending facility or any other service facility located along the West Virginia turnpike, to be renewed on a competitive bid basis. All contracts relating to any facility or services entered into by the parkways authority with a private party with

108 respect to any project constructed after the effective date 109 of this legislation shall be let on a competitive bid basis 110 only. If the parkways authority receives a proposal for the development of a project, such proposal shall be made 111 available to the public in a convenient location in the 112 113 county wherein the proposed facility may be located. The 114 parkways authority shall publish a notice of the proposal 115 by a Class I legal advertisement in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code. 116 117 The publication area shall be the county in which the 118 proposed facility would be located. Any citizen may 119 communicate by writing to the parkways authority his or her opposition to or approval to such proposal within a 120 period of time not less than forty-five days from the 121 122 publication of the notice. No contract for the development 123 of a project may be entered into by the parkways author-124 ity until a public hearing is held in the vicinity of the location of the proposed project with at least twenty days' 125 126 notice of such hearing by a Class I publication pursuant to 127 section two, article three, chapter fifty-nine of this code. 128 The parkways authority shall make written findings of fact prior to rendering a decision on any proposed project. 129 All studies, records, documents and other materials which 130 131 are considered by the parkways authority in making such findings shall be made available for public inspection at 132 the time of the publication of the notice of public hearing 133 134 and at a convenient location in the county where the 135 proposed project may be located. The parkways authority 136 shall promulgate rules in accordance with chapter twenty-137 nine-a of this code for the conduct of any hearing required 138 by this section. Persons attending any such hearing shall 139 be afforded a reasonable opportunity to speak and be heard on the proposed project. 140

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

Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the Senate. In effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegates President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates ..... this the ..... 8 The within ..... ....., 1998. day of .....

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