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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight-g, article twenty-one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the personal income tax credit for qualified rehabilitated residential building investment; and removing the requirement that the national park service be involved in the designation and certification of historic structures eligible for the credit.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 21. PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

§11-21-8g. Credit for qualified rehabilitated residential building investment.

- 1 (a) A credit against the tax imposed by the provisions of
- 2 this article is allowed for residential certified historic structures.

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3 The credit is equal to twenty percent of eligible rehabilitation 4 expenses in the rehabilitation of a certified historic structure. 5 The credit is available for residential certified historic structures 6 located in this state that are reviewed by the West Virginia 7 division of culture and history and are determined to be listed 8 on the national register of historic places either individually or 9 as a contributing building within a historical district that is 10 listed on the national register of historic places.

(b)(1) "Certified historic structure" means any building
located in this state that is determined to be listed individually
in the national register of historic places or located in a registered historic district, during the review by the West Virginia
division of culture and history.

16 (2) "Certified rehabilitation" means any rehabilitation of a 17 certified historic structure that is reviewed by the West Virginia 18 division of culture and history, and is determined by the 19 division of culture and history to be consistent with the historic 20 character of the property and, where applicable, the district in 21 which it is located.

(3) "Eligible rehabilitation expenses" means expenses
incurred in the material rehabilitation of a certified historic
structure and added to the property's basis for income tax
purposes.

(4) "Historic district" means a group of buildings, structures or sites that taken together make up a coherent whole with
similar historic or architectural meaning that is listed in the
national register of historic places.

(5) "Historic preservation application" means application
forms published by the national park service, United States
department of the interior, Parts 1, 2 and 3, Form No. 1-168, or
its successor, or comparable application forms prepared by the
division of culture and history.

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(6) "Material rehabilitation" means improvements, repairs,
alterations or additions consistent with the "secretary of the
interior's standards for rehabilitation," the actual cost of which
amounts to at least twenty percent of the assessed value of a
certified historic structure for ad valorem real estate tax
purposes for the year before such rehabilitation expenses were
incurred, exclusive of the assessed value of the land.

42 (7) "Residential certified historic structure" means any43 certified historic structure that is:

(A) Classified as Class II property for levy purposes
pursuant to section five, article eight, chapter eleven of this
code for the year in which the rehabilitation expenses are
incurred; or

(B) Not classified as Class II property for levy purposes for
the year in which the rehabilitation expenses are incurred but
will satisfy the requirements for classification as Class II for
real property assessment purposes pursuant to section five,
article eight, chapter eleven of this code as of the first day of
July of the year following the year in which the rehabilitation
expenses are incurred.

(8) "Secretary of the interior standards" means standards
and guidelines adopted and published by the national park
service, United States department of the interior, for rehabilitation of historic properties.

(9) "State historic preservation officer" means the state
official designated by the governor pursuant to provisions in the
national historic preservation act of 1966, as amended and
further defined in section six, article one, chapter twenty-nine
of this code.

64 (c)(1) Application and processing procedures for provisions
65 of this section shall be the same or substantially similar as any

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required under provisions of 36 C.F.R., Part 67, and to the
extent applicable, 26 C.F.R., Part 1. Obtaining historic preservation certification by proper application automatically
qualifies the applicant to be considered for tax credits under this
section.

(2) The state historic preservation officer's role in the
application procedure shall be identical, or substantially similar,
to that in 36 C.F.R., Part 67 and 26 C.F.R., Part 1, to the extent
applicable.

(d) All standards including the secretary of the interior
standards and provisions in 36 C.F.R., Part 67 and 26 C.F.R.,
Part 1 that apply to tax credits available from the United States
government apply to this section, except that the property
eligible for the tax credit under this section may not be income
producing property or property for which depreciation is
allowed under 26 U.S.C. §168.

82 (e) If the amount of the credit for qualified rehabilitated 83 residential building investment exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability for the taxable year to which the credit applies, the 84 85 amount that exceeds the tax liability for the taxable year may be 86 carried over for credits against the income taxes of the taxpayer 87 in each of the ensuing five tax years or until the full credit is 88 used, whichever occurs first. In no event may the amount of the 89 credit taken in a taxable year exceed the tax liability due for the 90 taxable year.

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91 (f) The tax commissioner shall require disclosure of 92 information regarding credits granted pursuant to this section in 93 accordance with the provisions of section five-s, article ten of 94 this chapter. The commissioner of the West Virginia division of 95 culture and history may establish by rule the requirements to 96 implement the credit for qualified rehabilitated residential 97 building investment, including reasonable fees to defray the necessary expenses of administration of the credit. 98

- 99 (g) The credit authorized by this section is available for tax
- 100 years beginning after the thirty-first day of December, one

101 thousand nine hundred ninety-nine.

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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly emplled. Chairman Senate Committee Chairpan House Committee

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