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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article thirteen, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to increasing the maximum expenditure made by a sanitary board from five thousand dollars to ten thousand dollars before requiring advertising for competitive bids.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 13. SEWAGE WORKS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND SANITARY DISTRICTS.

§16-13-3. Powers of sanitary board; contracts; employees; compensation thereof; extensions and improvements; replacement of damaged public works.

- 1 The board shall have power to take all steps and proceed-
- 2 ings and to make and enter into all contracts or agreements
- 3 necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the
- 4 execution of its powers under this article: *Provided*, That any

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5 contract relating to the financing of the acquisition or construc-6 tion of any such works, or any trust indenture as hereinafter provided for, shall be approved by the governing body of such municipality before the same shall be effective. The board may employ engineers, architects, inspectors, superintendents, managers, collectors, attorneys, and such other employees as in its judgment may be necessary in the execution of its powers and duties, and may fix their compensation, all of whom shall do such work as the board shall direct. All such compensation and all expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this article shall be paid solely from funds provided under the authority of this article, and the board shall not exercise or carry out any authority or power herein given it so as to bind said board of said municipality beyond the extent to which money shall have been or may be provided under the authority of this article. No contract or agreement with any contractor or contractors for labor and/or material, exceeding in amount the sum of ten thousand dollars, shall be made without advertising for bids, which bids shall be publicly opened and award made to the best bidder, with power in the board to reject any or all bids. After the construction, installation, and completion of the works, or the acquisition thereof, the board shall operate, manage and control the same and may order and complete any extensions, betterments and improvements of and to the works that the board may deem expedient, if funds therefor be available or are made available as provided in this article, and shall establish rules and regulations for the use and operation of the works, and of other sewers and drains connected therewith so far as they may affect the operation of such works, and do all things necessary or expedient for the successful operation thereof. The sanitary board may declare an emergency situation in the event of collector line breaks or vital treatment plant equipment failure and shall be exempted from competitive bidding requirements and enter into direct purchase agreements or contracts for such expenses. All public ways or public works damaged or destroyed by the board in carrying out its authority under this article shall be restored or repaired by the board and placed in their original condition, as nearly as practicable, if requested so to do by proper authority, out of the funds provided by this article.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled. Chairman Senate Committee
Chairman House Committee Originating in the House.
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The within 1s appeal this the 23 rd day of, 2001.

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