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FOR

Senate Bill No. 28

(SENATOR ROWE, original sponsor)

[Passed March 13, 2004; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §38-8-1 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the monetary value of exemptions from levy, forced sale, attachment or execution of certain personal property.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §38-8-1 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8. EXEMPTIONS FROM LEVY.

§38-8-1. Exemptions of personal property.

- 1 (a) Any individual residing in this state or the dependent
- of such individual may set apart and hold as exempt from
- 3 execution or other process the following personal property:
- 4 (1) Such individual's interest, not to exceed five thou-
- 5 sand dollars in value, in one motor vehicle;

- 7 sand dollars in aggregate value, in household goods,
- 8 furniture, toys, animals, appliances, books and wearing
- 9 apparel that are held primarily for the personal, family or
- 10 household use of such individual;
- 11 (3) Such individual's aggregate interest, not to exceed
- 12 three thousand dollars, in any implements, professional
- 13 books or tools of such individual's trade;
- 14 (4) Such individual's funds on deposit in a federally
- 15 insured financial institution, wages or salary, not to
- 16 exceed the greater of: (i) One thousand dollars; or (ii) one
- 17 hundred twenty-five percent of the amount of the annual-
- 18 ized federal poverty level of such individual's household
- 19 divided by the number of pay periods for such individual
- 20 per year; and
- 21 (5) Funds on deposit in an individual retirement account
- 22 (IRA), including a simplified employee pension (SEP), in
- 23 the name of such individual: *Provided*, That the amount
- 24 is exempt only to the extent it is not or has not been
- 25 subject to an excise or other tax on excess contributions
- 26 under Section 4973 or Section 4979 of the Internal Reve-
- 27 nue Code of 1986, or both sections, or any successor
- 28 provisions, regardless of whether the tax is or has been
- 29 paid.
- 30 (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no case may an
- 31 individual residing in this state or the dependent of such
- 32 individual exempt from execution or other process more
- 33 than fifteen thousand dollars in the aggregate in personal
- 34 property listed in subdivisions (1), (2), (3) and (4), subsec-
- 35 tion (a) of this section.

3 [Enr. Com. Sub. for S. B. No. 28
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
Chairman Senate Committee
Chairpan House Committee
Originated in the Senate.
In effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate
Clerk of the House of Delegates Old Ry Joseph President of the Senate
Speaker House of Delegates
The within is approved this the and
Day of April 3004.
Governor

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