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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-1B-27, relating to authorizing the West Virginia National Guard to participate in a federal asset forfeiture or sharing program; creating the West Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Forfeiture Fund administered by the Adjutant General; and authorizing the Adjutant General to propose rules.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-1B-27, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1B. NATIONAL GUARD.

§15-1B-27. Asset Forfeiture and Asset Sharing.

1 (a) The West Virginia National Guard is authorized to 2 participate in asset forfeiture and seizure programs

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3 established by the United States government relating to drug
4 interdiction and counter-drug activities, pursuant to the
5 provisions of 32 U. S. C. §112.

6 (b) (1) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a
7 special revenue account, designated the West Virginia
8 National Guard Counterdrug Forfeiture Fund which shall be
9 administered by the Adjutant General.

10 (2) Any balance in the account at the end of the fiscal 11 year shall not revert to the general revenue fund but shall 12 remain in the account, and be expended as provided in this 13 section. The fund shall consist of property seized or forfeited 14 to the United States under any federal asset, forfeiture or 15 sharing program and shared with the West Virginia National 16 Guard Counter Drug Program.

17 (3) Expenditures from the fund shall be for the purposes set forth in this section and are not authorized from collections, 18 19 but are to be made only in accordance with appropriation by 20 the Legislature and in accordance with the provisions of article 21 three, chapter twelve of this code and upon the fulfillment of 22 the provisions set forth in article two, chapter eleven-b of this 23 code: Provided, that for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, 24 expenditures are authorized from collections rather than 25 pursuant to an appropriation by the Legislature. Expenditures 26 from the fund shall be for facilities, equipment, administrative 27 expenses and to defray any other necessary expenses incidental 28 to and associated with the program.

(c) The Adjutant General shall propose rules pursuant to
article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code for the
operation of any asset forfeiture and asset sharing program by
the West Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Support
Program and for the operation of the special revenue fund
account established under this section.

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

Chairman, House Committee Service Committee Originating in the House. 2 MAR 30 PM 4: 1 To take effect ninety days from passage. Clerk House of Delegates Clerk of the Senate Speaker of the House of Delegates the Senate this the _30th The within <u>loll</u> , 2012. day of Jonelih.

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

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