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AN ACT to amend and reenact §11-13-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting nonprofit public utility companies from the West Virginia Business and Occupation Tax.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §11-13-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 13. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX.

§11-13-3. Exemptions; annual exemption and periods thereof.

- 1 (a) Monthly exemption. For any tax imposed under the
- 2 provisions of this article with respect to any period beginning
- 3 on or after July 1, 1985, there is an exemption in every case
- 4 of \$41.67 per month in amount of tax computed under the
- 5 provisions of this article. Only one exemption is allowed to
- 6 any one person, whether the person exercises one or more
- 7 privileges taxable hereunder.

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- 8 (b) Exemptions from tax. The provisions of this article9 do not apply to:
- 10 (1) Insurance companies which pay the State of West
 11 Virginia a tax upon premiums: *Provided*, That the exemption
 12 does not extend to that part of the gross income of insurance
 13 companies which is received for the use of real property,
 14 other than property in which any company maintains its
 15 office or offices, in this state, whether the income is in the
 16 form of rentals or royalties;
- 17 (2) Nonprofit cemetery companies organized and 18 operated for the exclusive benefit of their members;
- 19 (3) Fraternal societies, organizations and associations 20 organized and operated for the exclusive benefit of their 21 members and not for profit: Provided, That the exemption 22 does not extend to that part of the gross income arising from 23 the sale of alcoholic liquor, food and related services of 24 fraternal societies, organizations and associations which are 25 licensed as private clubs under the provisions of article seven, 26 chapter sixty of this code;
 - (4) Corporations, associations and societies organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and production credit associations, organized under the provisions of the federal Farm Credit Act of 1933;
 - (5) Any credit union organized under the provisions of chapter thirty-one of this code or any other chapter of this code: *Provided*, That the exemptions of this section do not apply to corporations or cooperative associations organized under the provisions of article four, chapter nineteen of this code;
- (6) Gross income derived from advertising service
 rendered in the business of radio and television broadcasting;

38 (7) Gross income of a nonprofit homeowners' association 39 received from assessments on its members for community 40 services such as road maintenance, common area 41 maintenance, water service, sewage service and security 42 service; and

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45 46 (8) Nonprofit water and sewer companies governed by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia and organized and operated for the exclusive benefit of their members. The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senale Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the Senate. In effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegates. Speaker of the House of Delegates

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