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By Senators Cole (Mr. President) and Kessler

(By Request of the Executive)

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(BY REQUEST OF THE EXECUTIVE)

[Passed February 2, 2016; in effect from passage.]
AN ACT expiring funds to the unappropriated balance in the State Fund, General Revenue, for
the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, in the amount of $51,800,000 from the Department
of Revenue, Office of the Secretary – Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund, fund 7005, fiscal
year 2016, organization 0701, in the amount of $1,940,500 from the Department of
Revenue, Insurance Commissioner – Examination Revolving Fund, fund 7150, fiscal year
2016, organization 0704, and in the amount of $4,800,000 from the Department of
Revenue, Insurance Commissioner, WV Health Insurance Plan Fund, fund 7161, fiscal
year 2016, organization 0704.

Whereas, The Governor submitted to the Legislature the Executive Budget Document,
dated January 13, 2016, which included a Statement of the State Fund, General Revenue, setting
forth therein the cash balance as of July 1, 2015, and further included the estimate of revenues
for the fiscal year 2016, less net appropriation balances forwarded and regular appropriations for
the fiscal year 2016; and

Whereas, The Secretary of the Department of Revenue has submitted a monthly General
Revenue Fund Collections Report for the first six months of fiscal year 2016 as prepared by the
State Budget Office; and

Whereas, This report demonstrates that the State of West Virginia has experienced a
revenue shortfall of approximately $158 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2016, as
compared to the monthly revenue estimates for the first six months of the fiscal year 2016; and

Whereas, Current economic and fiscal trends are anticipated to result in projected year-
end revenue deficits, including potential significant shortfalls in Severance Tax, and shortfalls in
Personal Income Tax and Consumers Sales and Use Tax; and

Whereas, Projected year-end revenue surpluses in various other General Revenue
sources will only offset a small portion of these deficits; and

Whereas, The total projected year-end revenue deficit for the General Revenue Fund is
estimated at $354 million; and
Whereas, On October 22, 2015, the Governor issued Executive Order 7-15 which directed a spending reduction for General Revenue appropriations for fiscal year 2016 totaling $93,379,526; and

Whereas, The Legislature agreed to take voluntary action to effect a four percent spending reduction of its General Revenue appropriation for fiscal year 2016 totaling $938,067; and

Whereas, The Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund may be drawn on in the event of a revenue shortfall in lieu of imposing additional reductions in appropriations; and

Whereas, The Governor finds that the account balances in the Department of Revenue, Insurance Commissioner – Examination Revolving Fund, fund 7150, fiscal year 2016, organization 0704, and in the Department of Revenue, Insurance Commissioner, WV Health Insurance Plan Fund, fund 7161, fiscal year 2016, organization 0704, exceed that which is necessary for the purposes for which the accounts were established; therefore

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the balance of the funds available for expenditure in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, in the Department of Revenue, Office of the Secretary - Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund, fund 7005, fiscal year 2016, organization 0701, be decreased by expiring the amount of $51,800,000, and in the Department of Revenue, Insurance Commissioner – Examination Revolving Fund, fund 7150, fiscal year 2016, organization 0704 be decreased by expiring the amount of $1,940,500, and in the Department of Revenue, Insurance Commissioner, WV Health Insurance Plan Fund, fund 7161, fiscal year 2016, organization 0704, be decreased by expiring the amount of $4,800,000, all to the unappropriated balance of the State Fund, General Revenue, to be available during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the _______ day of _________, 2016.

Governor