SECOND ENROLLMENT

H. B. 4017

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Thompson, and Delegate Armstead)

[By Request of the Executive]

[Amended and again Passed March 16, 2008, as a result of the objections of the Governor; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §11-24-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to updating meaning of federal taxable income and certain other terms used in West Virginia Corporation Net Income Tax Act; and specifying effective dates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §11-24-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. CORPORATION NET INCOME TAX.

- §11-24-3. Meaning of terms; general rule.
- (a) Any term used in this article has the same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly required by the context or by definition in this article. Any reference in this article to the laws of the United States means the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any other provisions of the laws of the United States that relate to the determination of income for federal income tax purposes. All amendments made to the laws of the United States after the thirty-first day of December, two thousand six, but prior to the fourteenth day of February, two thousand eight, shall be given effect in determining the taxes imposed by this article to the same extent those changes are allowed for federal income tax purposes, whether the changes are retroactive or prospective, but no amendment to the laws of the United States made on or after the fourteenth day of February, two thousand eight, shall be given any effect.
- (b) The term "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" means the Internal Revenue Code of the United States enacted by the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 and includes the provisions of law formerly known as the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and in effect when the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 was enacted that were not amended or repealed by the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986. Except when inappropriate, any reference in any law, executive order or other document:
- (1) To the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 includes a reference to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and

- (2) To the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 includes a reference to the provisions of law formerly known as the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.
- (c) Effective date. -- The amendments to this section enacted in the year two thousand eight are retroactive to the extent allowable under federal income tax law. With respect to taxable years that began prior to the first day of January, two thousand nine, the law in effect for each of those years shall be fully preserved as to that year, except as provided in this section.