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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Earl Ray Tomblin
President, Senate of West Virginia
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

Dear Mr. President:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section Fourteen, Article Seven of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return Enrolled Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 736.

I must object to this Bill because its proposed title does not reflect the amendments it purports to make to the Code of West Virginia. A reasonable person would not be able to discern the amendments without reading the entire text of the Bill. Accordingly, I find the title inconsistent with the substance of the Bill so as to render the Bill constitutionally defective. For this reason, I must veto this legislation. Notwithstanding this action, I urge the Legislature to amend the title and any other erroneous designations and return the Bill for approval.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Manchin III".

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cc: The Honorable Richard Thompson
Speaker, House of Delegates
The Honorable Betty Ireland, Secretary of State
Mr. Darrell E. Holmes, Senate Clerk
Mr. Gregory Gray, House Clerk