

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2017 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2178**

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[Introduced February 8, 2017; Referred  
to the Committee on Finance.]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §11A-1-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
 2 to quarterly payment of real and personal property taxes; and requiring new tax tickets to  
 3 be mailed after property is transferred.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

1 That §11A-1-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and  
 2 reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. ACCRUAL AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.**

**§11A-1-3. Accrual; time for payment; interest on delinquent taxes.**

1 (a) (1) All current taxes assessed on real and personal property may be paid in two  
 2 installments. The first installment ~~shall be~~ is payable on September 1 of the year for which the  
 3 assessment is made, and ~~shall become~~ becomes delinquent on October 1; the second installment  
 4 ~~shall be~~ is payable on the ~~first day of~~ following March 1 and ~~shall become~~ becomes delinquent on  
 5 April 1. Taxes paid on or before the date when they are payable, including both first and second  
 6 installments, ~~shall be~~ are subject to a discount of two and one-half percent. If taxes are not paid  
 7 on or before the date on which they become delinquent, including both first and second  
 8 installments, interest at the rate of nine percent per annum shall be added from the date they  
 9 become delinquent until paid.

10 (2) Beginning July 1, 2017, current taxes assessed on real and personal property may be  
 11 paid in quarterly installments. The first quarterly installment is payable on September 1 of the  
 12 year for which the assessment is made, and becomes delinquent on October 1; the second  
 13 quarterly installment is payable on the following January 1 and becomes delinquent on February  
 14 1; the third installment is payable on the following March 1 and becomes delinquent on April 1;  
 15 the fourth installment is payable on the following August 1 and becomes delinquent on September  
 16 1. Taxes paid on or before the date when they are payable, including both first and second  
 17 installments, are subject to a discount of two and one-half percent. If taxes are not paid on or

18 before the date on which they become delinquent, including both first and second installments,  
19 interest at the rate of nine percent per annum shall be added from the date they become  
20 delinquent until paid.

21 (b) With regard to real and personal property taxes, when any return, claim, statement or  
22 other document is required to be filed, or any payment is required to be made within a prescribed  
23 period or before a prescribed date, and the applicable law requires delivery to the office of the  
24 sheriff of a county of this state, the methods prescribed in section five-f, article ten, chapter eleven  
25 of this code for timely filing and payment to the Tax Commissioner or Department of ~~Tax and~~  
26 Revenue shall be the same methods ~~utilized~~ used for timely filing and payment with ~~such~~ the  
27 sheriff. Nothing contained in this subsection (b) ~~shall prohibit~~ prohibits the sheriff from  
28 establishing additional methods of payment in accordance with the provisions of section eight-a  
29 of this article.

30 (c) For property which is transferred from grantor to grantee, the assessor shall, within  
31 three months of the filing of the deed in the county clerk's office, notify the sheriff who shall prepare  
32 a new tax ticket and mail it to the new property owner.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow quarterly payment of real and personal property taxes and to require new tax tickets to be mailed after property is transferred.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.