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April 1, 2016

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Natalie E. Tennant
Secretary of State
State of West Virginia
Building 1, Suite 157-K
State Capitol
Charleston, WV 25305

Re: Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 4505

Dear Secretary of State Tennant:

Pursuant to section fourteen, Article VII of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 4505. This bill amends the State Lottery Act and the Freedom of Information Act to allow Powerball, Mega Millions, and Hot Lotto winners to claim prizes anonymously. However, this bill contains a fatal technical error that requires its veto.

This bill would amend section § 29B-1-4 of the West Virginia Freedom of Information Act. This same section of code was also amended in Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2800. Therefore, this bill conflicts with amendments I signed into law as part of Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 2800.

In view of the foregoing, I hereby disapprove Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 4505.

Sincerely,

Earl Ray Tomblin
Governor

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cc: The Hon. Tim Armstead
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The Honorable William P Cole III
President of the Senate