## WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

**REGULAR SESSION**, 1943

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## HOUSE BILL No. 2/0

(By Mr. Flaccus)

PASSED March 10, 1943

In Effect Passage

## ENROLLED House Bill No. 210

(BY MR. FLACCUS)

[Passed March 10, 1943; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article six, chapter twenty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended and reenacted by chapter seventy-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, relating to employment of children under eighteen years of age in certain occupations, determination as to other occupations and the right of appeal to the supreme court of appeals.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article six, chapter twenty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended and reenacted by chapter seventy-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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Article 6. Child Labor.

Section 2. Employment of Children Under Eighteen in 2 Ccrtain Occupations; Determination as to Other Occupa-3 tions; Appeal to Supreme Court.—No child under eighteen 4 years of age shall be employed, permitted or suffered to 5 work in any mine, quarry or tunnel; or in, about, or in 6 connection with any of the following:

7 (1) Stone cutting or polishing;

8. (2) The manufacture or transportation of explosives9 or highly inflammable substances;

10 (3) Ore reduction works, smelters, hot rolling mills,
11 furnaces, foundries, forging shops, or in any other place
12 in which the heating, melting or heat treatment of metals
13 is carried on;

14 (4) Machinery used in the cold rolling of heavy metal
15 stock, metal plate bending machines, or power-driven
16 metal planing machines.

17 No child.under eighteen years of age shall be employed18 or permitted to work in a public pool room or billiard

19 room, or be permitted, employed or suffered to sell, dis-20 pense or serve beer, in any place or establishment where 21 beer is served, sold or dispensed, if dancing is permitted 22 or allowed in the same room in which such beer is served, sold or dispensed, or in any indecent, obscene or immoral 23 24 exhibition or practice; nor shall a child under eighteen 25 years of age be apprenticed, given away, let out or other-26 wise disposed of to any person or company to engage in 27 the occupation or service of rope or wire walker, gymnast, 28 contortionist, circus rider, acrobat or clown; nor shall any 29 child under the age of eighteen years of age be per-30 mitted or suffered to work in a bowling alley after twelve 31 o'clock midnight."

32 The state commissioner of labor, the state commissioner 33 of health, and the state superintendent of free schools 34 may, from time to time, after hearing duly had, determine 35 whether or not any particular trade, process of manufacturing, or occupation in which the employment of chil-36 dren under eighteen years of age is not already forbid-37 den by law, or any particular method of carrying on such 38 trade, process of manufacture, or occupation, is suffi-39

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40 ciently dangerous to the lives or limbs, or injurious to
41 the health or morals of children under eighteen years of
42 age to justify their exclusion therefrom. No child under
43 eighteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to
44 work in any occupation thus determined to be dangerous
45 or injurious to such children. There shall be a right of
46 appeal to the supreme court of appeals from any such
47 determination.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee Fred J. Rotroff Vouce Committee Originated in the **Takes** effect passage. Clerk of the Senate eAl Clerk of the House of Delegates resident of the Senate 2 Speaker House of Delegates \_this the\_ The within\_\_\_\_ 1943: day of. Governor. 1 Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia MAR 1 9 1943 Wm. S. O'BRIEN. Secretary of State