# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

**REGULAR SESSION, 1947** 

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### HOUSE BILL No. 445

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# ENROLLED House Bill No. 425

(BY MR. SPEAKER, MR. AMOS)

[Passed March 8, 1947; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article eleven, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended by chapter six, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, relating to the pollution of any of the waters of the state.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article eleven, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended by chapter six, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 1. *Definitions.*—Terms used in this article are 2 defined as follows: The term "commission" shall mean 3 the state water commission, hereby created, and the term

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4 "commissioner" shall mean a member of said commission. The term "water" or "waters" shall mean all waters 5 6 of any river, stream, watercourse, pond or lake. The term "pollution" means the discharge or deposit of sew-7 age or putrid, nauseous or offensive substances, in such 8 9 condition, manner, or quantity, as may cause any of the 10 waters of the state to be contaminated, unclean, or im-11 pure to such an extent as to make such water directly 12 or indirectly detrimental to the public health; unsuitable 13 with reasonable treatment for use as present or possible future sources of public water supply, or unsuitable for 14 15 commercial, industrial, agricultural, or other reasonable uses. The word "person" shall mean any and all persons 16 17 natural or artificial, including any municipal or private corporation organized or existing under the laws of this 18 or any other state or country, and as well as any firm or 19 association: Provided, however, That nothing herein con-20 21 tained shall be deemed to amend or affect any section 22 of the code of West Virginia not herein mentioned.

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

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