

# **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16-4-26**

## **§16-4-26. Offenses generally; penalties; jurisdiction of justices; complaints.**

Any person violating any provision of this article, where no other punishment is provided, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than \$100, and may in addition thereto, at the discretion of the judge or justice trying the case, be imprisoned in jail for a period of not to exceed thirty days.

Justices of the peace shall have jurisdiction to try and determine all offenses arising under any provision of this article. Any citizen of the state may make complaint before a justice of any offense hereunder, and all proceedings shall be in the name of the state, and security for costs shall not be required, nor shall costs be adjudged against complainant unless it appears that no reasonable grounds for making complaint existed, and only then when it is made to appear that complainant acted in bad faith.