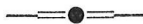


WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1935



ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 193

(By Mr. Perry)



PASSED February 27 1935

In Effect same Passage

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House Bill No. 193

(BY MR. PERRY)

[Passed February 27, 1935; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to prohibit exhibition dances, endurance dances, and dance contests, commonly known and designated as “marathon dance” or “marathon contest”, “walking contest”, or other endurance contests of like kind, and participating therein, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The word “person”, as used, shall mean and be
2 construed to include person, persons, firm, co-partnership, as-
3 sociation, or corporation.

Sec. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person to con-
2 duct, or manage, or operate any exhibition dance, endurance
3 dance, or dance contest, sometimes commonly known and des-

4 ignated as “marathon dances” or “marathon contests”, or
5 any “walking contest”, or endurance test of like kind.

Sec. 3. Any person violating any section of this act shall
2 be fined not less than three hundred dollars, and each day such
3 violation shall continue shall be a separate offense; and upon
4 default of payment of any first or subsequent fine herein pro-
5 vided such person shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a
6 period not exceeding thirty days for each offense.

Sec. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person to compete as a
2 contestant in any public marathon dance, or other form of en-
3 durance dancing or contest at which dancers or contestants,
4 in consideration of money prizes or other considerations, com-
5 pete with each other in their ability to continue over long or
6 indefinite periods of time. Any person violating this section
7 shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars and each day
8 such violation shall continue shall be a separate offense; and
9 upon default in the payment of any first or subsequent fine
10 herein provided such person shall be imprisoned in the county
11 jail for a period not exceeding thirty days for each offense.

Sec. 5. This act is hereby declared to be necessary in the
2 interest of public welfare, morals, health, and safety.

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

Clinton F. Howard

Chairman Senate Committee

Amos D. Pickens

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the

House of Delegates

Takes effect

from

passage.

Charles Miller

Clerk of the Senate

John S. Hall

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Chas. E. Hall

President of the Senate

John S. Pelt

Speaker House of Delegates.

The within.....this the.....

day of....., 1935.

Governor.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State
of West Virginia.

MAR 12 1935

Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State

I certify that the foregoing act, having been presented to the Governor for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the House of the Legislature in which it originated within the time prescribed by the constitution of the state, has become a law without his approval.

This the 12th day of March,
1935.


SECRETARY OF STATE