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SENATE BILL No. 17

(By Mr. Henderson)



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AN ACT to provide for the use of safety glass in motor vehicles
and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. On and after July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five, and except as hereinafter otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful to operate, on any public highway or street in this state, any motor vehicle which is registered in this state, and which shall have been manufactured or assembled on or after July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five, unless such motor vehicle be equipped with safety glass

8 wherever glass is used in partitions, doors, windows or wind-
9 shields.

Sec. 2. The term "safety glass", as used in this act shall
2 be construed as meaning glass so treated or combined with
3 other materials as to reduce, in comparison with ordinary
4 sheet glass or plate glass, the likelihood of injury to persons
5 by objects from external sources or by glass when the glass is
6 cracked or broken.

Sec. 3. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any
2 private passenger motor vehicle of less than eight passenger
3 seating capacity which is not used for carrying passengers for
4 compensation or hire, or to any truck owned by a farmer and
5 used principally for transporting farm produce, equipment or
6 materials to, from or upon his farm, if such private passenger
7 motor vehicle or farm truck shall have been registered
8 previously in another state by the owner while the owner was
9 a bona fide resident of such other state.

Sec. 4. The state road commissioner shall approve and
2 maintain a list of the approved types of glass, conforming to
3 the specifications and requirements for safety glass as set forth
4 in this act and in accordance with the standards recognized by

5 the United States bureau of standards, and shall not issue a
6 license for or relicense any motor vehicle subject to the provisions
7 of this act, unless such motor vehicle be equipped as herein
8 provided with such approved type of glass.

Sec. 5. The operator, owner, or custodian of any motor
2 vehicle which is operated in violation of the provisions of this
3 act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon con-
4 viction thereof shall be fined twenty-five dollars or be impris-
5 oned ten days in jail or both. In case of the violation of the
6 provisions of this act by any common carrier or person oper-
7 ating under a permit or certificate issued by the public service
8 commission, such permit or certificate shall be revoked, or, in
9 the discretion of the commission, suspended until the provisions
10 of this act are satisfactorily complied with.

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

Clinton F. Howard

Chairman Senate Committee

Conrad D. Vickers

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the *Senate*

Takes effect *90 days from* passage.

Frank M. ...

Clerk of the Senate

W. O. Stace

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Chas. E. Hodge

President of the Senate

John S. Peter

Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *9th*
day of *March*, 1935.

H. S. Kump

Governor

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State
of West Virginia. **MAR 13 1935**
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State