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REGULAR SESSION, 1935



ENROLLED

SENATE BILL No. 174

(By Mr. Spicars)



PASSED March 9 1935

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article two, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to attorneys at law, and repealing the diploma privilege of graduates of the West Virginia college of law.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article two, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 1. Any person desiring to obtain a license to
2 practice law in the courts of this state shall appear before the
3 circuit court of the county in which he has resided for the
4 last preceding year and prove to the satisfaction of such court,
5 or to the satisfaction of a committee of three attorneys
6 practicing before such court, appointed by the court, that he
7 is a person of good moral character, that he is twenty-one
8 years of age and that he has resided in such county for one
9 year next preceding the date of his appearance; and upon the
10 presentation of such proof, the court shall enter an order on
11 its record accordingly. The supreme court of appeals shall
12 prescribe and publish rules and regulations for the examination
13 of all applicants for admission to practice law, which shall
14 include the period of study and degree of preparation required
15 of applicants previous to being admitted, as well as the method
16 of examinations, whether by the court or otherwise. And the
17 supreme court of appeals may, upon the production of a duly
18 certified copy of the order of the circuit court, hereinbefore
19 mentioned, and upon being satisfied that the applicant has
20 shown, upon an examination conducted in accordance with such
21 rules and regulations, that he is qualified to practice law in

22 the courts of this state, and upon being further satisfied that
23 such rules and regulations have been complied with in all
24 respects, grant such applicant a license to practice law in the
25 courts of this state, and such license shall show upon its face
26 that all the provisions of this section and of the said rules have
27 been complied with.

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

Clinton L. Howard

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Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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This bill, though believed to be correct in principle, seems to have passed the Legislature as a "Courier without passport", ^{The within} ~~It contains~~ ^{this the} no saving clause for ~~the~~ ^{the} students who registered in the College of Law of the West Virginia University under the existing statute, therefore, it ^{Governor} may be said to disturb an interest which has become a vital thing to those immediately affected.

The bill is disapproved this the 15th day of March 1935.

H. S. Kump Governor

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

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Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State