

**WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**REGULAR SESSION, 1937**



**ENROLLED**

**SENATE BILL No.** 25

(By Mr. Smith )



PASSED Feb - 19 - 1937

In Effect from Passage

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(BY MR. SMITH)

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AN ACT to appropriate money from the state treasury to restore the graves of Francis H. Pierpont and Julia A. Pierpont, and to provide for the erection of suitable markers thereon, at Fairmont, Marion County, West Virginia.

WHEREAS, during the stirring days in the formative period of the state of West Virginia, Francis H. Pierpont was the governor of the restored government of Virginia, and by his untiring and patriotic services greatly assisted in the formation of the state of West Virginia and its admittance to the union, and

WHEREAS, during all those troublesome days he was sustained and supported by the advice and assistance of his wife, Julia A.

Pierpont, who later originated the idea of a national memorial day to the memory of deceased patriots of the Civil War, and

WHEREAS, the bodies of these two distinguished and patriotic citizens of our state rest in unmarked graves in the cemetery at Fairmont, Marion County, West Virginia, which graves are difficult to locate, although a matter of much public interest on the part of the citizenry of this and other states, and

WHEREAS, William Hammond Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairmont, West Virginia, has begun a movement for the restoration and marking of these graves, in which movement it is felt the state should have a part, therefore

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

Section 1. It appearing from a statement of revenues  
2 and appropriations for the fiscal year one thousand nine  
3 hundred thirty-six, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven,  
4 that there remains in the treasury, state fund general revenue,  
5 nue, unexpended and unappropriated moneys in excess of  
6 the amount hereby appropriated, there is hereby appropriated  
7 ated from the state fund general revenue the sum of fifteen  
8 hundred dollars for the purpose of restoring the graves of  
9 Francis H. Pierpont, governor of the restored government

10 of Virginia, and his wife, Julia A. Pierpont, at Fairmont,  
11 West Virginia.

Sec. 2. The above appropriation shall be expended by  
2 and under the direction of the board of control, in con-  
3 junction with William Hammond Chapter, Daughters of the  
4 American Revolution, Fairmont, West Virginia.

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

*Carl B. Galbraith*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Wm. B. Bracker*

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the

*Senate*

Takes effect

*from*

passage.

*Charles H. Smith*

Clerk of the Senate

*W. O. Stace*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Chas. E. Hodges*

President of the Senate

*James Ray Thomas*  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within

*Approved*

this the

*27<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*February*

, 1937.

*James A. Smith*

Governor

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State  
of West Virginia **FEB 27 1937**  
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,  
Secretary of State