WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1939

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL No. 159

(By Mr. Wylie)

PASSED
March 7th, 1939

In Effect Ninety days after Passage
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[Passed March 8, 1939; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article ten, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section twenty-one, relating to the unlawful use of the prefix "Doctor" or "Dr." and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article ten, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section twenty-one, to read as follows:

Article X. Crimes Against Public Policy.

Section 21. Use of the Prefix "Doctor" or "Dr."—Penalties.—It shall be unlawful for any person to use the prefix
"Doctor" or "Dr." in connection with his name in any letter, business card, advertisement, sign or public display of any nature whatsoever, without affixing thereto suitable words or letters designating the degree which he holds.

Any person who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined for each such offense not less than ten nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than twelve months, or both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the court.

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 17th day of March, 1839.

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


Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate

Takes effect [signature] upon passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

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

day of ........................................, 1939.

Governor.