WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1941

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 239

(By Mr. Willeton)

PASSED March 4, 1941

In Effect ninety day from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article eight, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended and reenacted by chapter seventy-five, acts of the Legislature, second extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, relating to the organization of county farm bureaus and the employment of county agricultural and home demonstration agents and their assistants.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article eight, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended and reenacted by chapter seventy-five, acts of the Legislature, second extraordinary session, one thousand and nine hundred thirty-three, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
Section 1. County Farm Bureau; Memorandum of Agreement for County Agent; Employment; Salary and Expenses.—Not fewer than one hundred and fifty farmers of any county may unite to form, and thereafter maintain in such county, a farm bureau. Every such farm bureau shall adopt by-laws and annually choose a board of directors for its government and control, to consist of not less than one member from each magisterial district of the county. Any farm bureau in existence when this act takes effect shall continue as such, upon complying with the provisions of this paragraph.

Such farm bureau may, on or before the first day of July of each year, file with the county court a written memorandum of understanding or agreement with the extension division of the college of agriculture, forestry, and home economics, of West Virginia university, in which the said extension division agrees to provide the salary of a county agent, assistant county agent, home demonstration agent, assistant home demonstration agent, or any of such agents and assistant agents for such county for the next succeeding fiscal year.
If such agreement is so filed, the county court of such county may, in its discretion, annually, on or before the first day of July, employ such county agent, assistant county agent, home demonstration agent, assistant home demonstration agent, or any of them, as may be nominated by the extension division and approved in writing by at least two-thirds of all the members of the board of directors of such farm bureau. The salary of such county agent, assistant county agent, home demonstration agent, assistant home demonstration agent or any of such agents and assistant agents so employed shall be paid by the extension division out of such appropriations as are made by the Legislature, in conjunction with such federal agencies as do now, or may hereafter, provide funds for such purpose. Clerical assistance and travel expenses for said agents so employed may be paid by the county court from the general county funds or by the extension division, or may be paid jointly by the county court and the extension division. Offices and general office expenses for said agents so employed may be provided by the county court from the general county funds.
If any part of this act is held to be unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining portions of this act. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 14th day of March, 1941.

Governor

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia, MAR 17, 1941

Wm. S. O'Brien, Secretary of State