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SENATE BILL No. 230

(By Mr. Williams)

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AN ACT requiring all county clerks to place of record an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States held by any person having served in such armed forces and providing that no fee is to be charged therefor, and making recorded discharges legal evidence for certain purposes; and providing for the issuance of certain certificates by county clerks.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. *County Clerks Required to Place of Record*

2 *Honorable Discharges From the Armed Services of the*
3 *United States Without Fee Therefor.* An honorable dis-

4 charge from the armed forces of the United States, held
5 by any and all persons shall be recorded by a county
6 clerk in a special record book, free of any and all fees
7 or costs therefor. This book shall be kept on file in the
8 office of the clerk of the county court of the county in
9 which the person holding such discharge resides: *Pro-*
10 *vided*, That upon application to the vital statistics de-
11 partment, or any other agency authorized to issue birth
12 certificates in this state, the original discharge, or a certi-
13 fied copy from the clerk's office, where same is recorded
14 shall be taken as proof of the date of birth of the veteran
15 for all purposes, and no other or further proof shall be
16 required.

17 The county clerk of any county shall furnish records of
18 marriage, divorce, adoption, birth or death, which he
19 may have in his possession, without fee, to veterans of
20 any war, soldiers in service, or the dependents of such
21 veterans or soldiers, when these records are necessary
22 to obtain benefits from the federal or state governments.

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

Ray H. Johnson
Chairman Senate Committee

Fred S. Rotroff
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the

Senate

Takes effect

From

passage

Fred B. Watkins
Clerk of the Senate

Stalliff
Clerk of the House of Delegates

James Paull
President of the Senate

John E. Simon
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 19th
day of March, 1943.

Matthew Sweeney
Governor.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State
of West Virginia MAR 19 1943

Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State