WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1945

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 12
(By Mr. Erskine)

PASSED March 6, 1945
In Effect 90 Days from Passage

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article one, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the placing in the state department of health of responsibility for the advisory medical supervision of state mental and tuberculosis hospitals."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 8. Supervision of State Tuberculosis and Mental Hospitals; Suppression of Tuberculosis; Promotion of Mental Health.—The state department of health shall have the advisory medical supervision of the Hopemont, Pinecrest, Denmar and all other state tuberculosis hospitals; the
6 Huntington, Lakin, Weston, Spencer, Barboursville and
7 all other state hospitals for the treatment of mental or
8 nervous diseases; the Welch and Fairmont emergency
9 hospitals; and the state board of control shall have the
10 control of the business and fiscal affairs thereof. The di-
11 rector of the bureau of tuberculosis, under the supervi-
12 sion of the commissioner of health, shall encourage mea-
13 sures for the suppression of tuberculosis, such as clinics,
14 camps, open-air schools, sanatoria, district nursing, anti-
15 tuberculosis societies, diffusion of knowledge, and other
16 means. The commissioner of health may promote mental
17 health by establishing a bureau of mental health, by hav-
18 ing mental hygiene clinics conducted, by utilizing the
19 professional services of the state mental hospitals, by co-
20 operating with the department of education and other
21 school authorities in making the services of psycholo-
22 gists and psychiatrists available to schools, by conducting
23 educational programs, and by other means approved by
24 the public health council.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Charles C. Morris
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

 Originated in the House

Takes effect 90 days from passage.

Howard Alexander
Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

John E. Amos
Speaker House of Delegates

The within Approved this the 15th

day of March, 1945.

Governor.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia
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Wm. S. O'Brien,
Secretary of State