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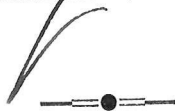
REGULAR SESSION, 1945



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HOUSE BILL No. 332

(By Mr. Haley)



PASSED March 8th 1945

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(By MR. STALEY, of Wayne)

[Passed March 8, 1945; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article four, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, relating to rewards and detection of crimes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article four, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 2. *Rewards and Detection of Crime; Bounties.*—

2 The prosecuting attorney of any county, with the approval
3 of the county court, or or the governor, or of the court of
4 the county vested with authority to try criminal offenses,
5 or of the Judge thereof in vacation, may, within his dis-
6 cretion, offer rewards for the apprehension of persons
7 charged with crime, or may expend money for the de-

8 tection of crime. Any money expended under this section
9 shall, when approved by the prosecuting attorney, be
10 paid out of the county fund, in the same manner as other
11 county expenses are paid. The county court may also of-
12 fer reasonable bounties and rewards for the destruction
13 of noxious animals, birds of prey, or weeds in the county,
14 payable out of the county treasury: *Provided, however,*
15 That nothing herein shall permit or give to the prosecuting
16 attorney of any county, having a population according to
17 the last official census of sixty thousand or less, the right
18 to appoint a full-time investigator or detector of crime,
19 or to expend any money for the investigation of any crime
20 committed in his county beyond the actual expense of the
21 investigation of said crime, except in the counties of
22 Wayne and Wyoming, the prosecuting attorney with the
23 consent of the circuit judge and the county court therein,
24 may appoint an investigator of crime to be paid an annual
25 salary of not less than one thousand two hundred dollars
26 nor more than two thousand four hundred dollars, and
27 actual expenses, the salary to be fixed within these limits
28 by the county court.

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

Charles C Morris
Chairman Senate Committee

Adel Snodgrass
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House

Takes effect from passage.

J. Howard Myers
Clerk of the Senate

J. R. Hoff
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Donald M. Tickers
President of the Senate

John E. Armas
Speaker House of Delegates

The within Approved this the 12th

day of March, 1945.

Clarence Medsker
Governor.



Filed in the office of the Secretary of State
of West Virginia **MAR 12 1945**
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State.