WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1951

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HOUSE BILL No. 159

(By Mr. Davis)

PASSED February 14, 1951

In Effect from Passage
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[Passed February 14, 1931; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, article four, chapter twenty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to return of escapees or parolees to state hospital.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 10. Return of Escapees or Parolees to State Hospital.—If any person confined in a state hospital escape therefrom, the superintendent thereof shall issue a notice, giving the name and description of the person escaping, and requesting his apprehension and return to the hospital, and may offer such reward for the return of such person as the board of control may authorize. The superintendent may issue a warrant directed to the sheriff
of the county, commanding him to arrest and carry such escaped person back to the hospital, which warrant the sheriff may execute in any part of the state. If such person flee to another state, the superintendent shall notify the board of control, and the board shall take such action as it may deem proper in the premises for the return of such person to the hospital. The sheriff or other person making such arrest shall be paid such compensation as is provided for like services in other cases, and such additional compensation in any case as the board of control may think reasonable and just.

The foregoing provision shall likewise apply to any person released from a state hospital on trial visit or parole whose conduct becomes such as to warrant his return to the hospital.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

A. R. Weickel
Chairman Senate Committee

James W. Davis
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect upon passage.

Robert Young
Clerk of the Senate

J.R. Aliff
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. E. Hannan
President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 21st day of February, 1951.

Olvie P. Patterson
Governor

D. Pitt O'Brien, Secretary of State of West Virginia