

# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1951



## ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 159

(By Mr. Davis)



PASSED February 14 1951

In Effect from Passage



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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 Hos-*  
2 *pital.*—If any person confined in a state hospital escape  
3 therefrom, the superintendent thereof shall issue a notice,  
4 giving the name and description of the person escaping,  
5 and requesting his apprehension and return to the hos-  
6 pital, and may offer such reward for the return of such  
7 person as the board of control may authorize. The su-  
8 perintendent may issue a warrant directed to the sheriff

9 of the county, commanding him to arrest and carry such  
10 escaped person back to the hospital, which warrant the  
11 sheriff may execute in any part of the state. If such per-  
12 son flee to another state, the superintendent shall notify  
13 the board of control, and the board shall take such action  
14 as it may deem proper in the premises for the return of  
15 such person to the hospital. The sheriff or other person  
16 making such arrest shall be paid such compensation as is  
17 provided for like services in other cases, and such addi-  
18 tional compensation in any case as the board of control  
19 may think reasonable and just.

20 The foregoing provision shall likewise apply to any  
21 person released from a state hospital on trial visit or  
22 parole whose conduct becomes such as to warrant his  
23 return to the hospital.

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

A. R. Winters  
Chairman Senate Committee

James W. Lipp  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect from passage.

Senado Meyer  
Clerk of the Senate

J. R. Gliff  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Joseph B. Shearman  
President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within APPROVED this the 21ST  
day of FEBRUARY, 1951.

Okuy L. Pittman  
Governor



of West Virginia

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D. PITT O'BRIEN,  
SECRETARY OF STATE