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SENATE BILL NO. 24

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(By Mr. Love)

[Passed February 27, 1951; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-four, article three, chapter eleven-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the service of notices in connection with tax deeds made by county clerks.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-four, article three, chapter eleven-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 24. Service of Notice.—As soon as the clerk

- 2 has prepared the notice provided for in the preceding
- 3 section, he shall cause it to be served upon the following
- 4 persons: (1) The person in whose name the real estate
- 5 was returned delinquent and sold, or, in case of his death,

his heir or devisee and his personal representative, if such there be; (2) any grantee of such person, or his heir or devisee and his personal representative, if such there be, if a conveyance of such real estate is recorded or filed for 10 record in the office of the clerk; (3) any person having a lien upon such real estate disclosed by any paper recorded 11 in the clerk's office; and (4) any other person having such 12 an interest in the property as would entitle him to re-13 14 deem, if the existence of such interest appears of record. 15 The notice shall be personally served upon all such persons residing or found in the state in the manner 17 provided for serving process commencing a suit, on or before the first day of April following the request for 18 such notice. If any person entitled to notice is a non-19 20 resident of the state or if his residence is unknown to the clerk and cannot by due diligence be discovered, the 21 notice shall be served by publication once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in the county in which such real estate is located, or if no 25 newspaper is published in the county, then in some newspaper of general circulation in the county. If service by

publication is necessary, publication shall be commenced 28 within two weeks after April first, and a copy of the 29 notice shall at the same time be sent by registered mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of 30 31 the person served. The return of service of such notice and the affidavit of publication, if any, shall be in the 32 33 manner provided for process generally and shall be filed 34 and preserved by the clerk in his office, together with 35 any return receipts for notices sent by registered mail. The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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