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Committee Substitute for

HOUSE BILL No. 35

(Originating in the Committee

(By Mr. Old Brads)

PASSED March 10, 1953

In Effect Ninety Days from Passage
AN ACT to amend article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, relating to state owned vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, to read as follows:

Section 23. State Owned Vehicles.—Any motor vehicle designed to carry passengers, owned or leased by the state of West Virginia, or any of its departments, bureaus, commissions or institutions, except vehicles used by the governor, vehicles operated by the department of public
safety and not to exceed four vehicles operated by the
arson investigators of the office of state fire marshal, shall
not be operated or driven by any person unless it shall
have displayed and attached to the front thereof, in the
same manner as regular motor vehicle registration plates
are attached, a plate of the same size as the regular regis-
tration plate, with black lettering on a white background
bearing the words “West Virginia” in one line and the
words “State Car” in another line, and the lettering for
the words “State Car” shall be of sufficient size to be
plainly readable from a distance of one hundred feet dur-
ing daylight.

Such vehicle shall also have attached to the rear a plate
bearing a number and such other words and figures as
the commissioner of motor vehicles shall prescribe. The
rear plate shall also be white with the number in black.

No other registration plate shall be issued for, or at-
tached to, any such state owned vehicle.

The commissioner of motor vehicles shall have a suffi-
cient number of both front and rear plates produced to
attach to all state owned cars. The numbered registration
plates for such vehicles shall start with the number "five hundred" and the commissioner shall issue consecutive numbers for all state owned cars.

It shall be the duty of each office, department, bureau, commission or institution furnished any such vehicle to have such plates affixed thereto prior to the operation of such vehicle by any official or employee.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than fifty dollars or more than one hundred dollars.

Justices of the peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with circuit and criminal courts for the enforcement of this section.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect thirty days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 16th day of March, 1953.

Governor

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D. PITT O'BRIEN, SECRETARY OF STATE