

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1953



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HOUSE BILL No. 442

(By Mr. Richardson)



PASSED March 14 1953

In Effect immediately upon Passage



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(By MR. RICHARDSON)

[Passed March 14, 1953; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article one, chapter sixty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section six-a, relating to right of surety company to become surety with respect to guaranteed arrest bond certificates, and guaranteed arrest bond certificates as cash bail.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 6-a. *Guaranteed Arrest Bond Certificates as*
2 *Cash Bail.*—Any guaranteed arrest bond certificate of any
3 surety company licensed to do business by the insur-
4 ance commissioner, shall, when presented by the per-

5 son whose signature appears thereon, be accepted in
6 lieu of cash bail in an amount not to exceed five hun-
7 dred dollars, as a bail bond, to guarantee the appear-
8 ance of such person in any court, or before any justice,
9 mayor or municipal judge in this state, at such time
10 as may be required by the court, justice, mayor or
11 municipal judge, when such person is arrested for vio-
12 lation of any motor vehicle law of this state or traffic
13 ordinance of any municipality in this state (except for
14 the offenses of reckless driving, driving while intoxi-
15 cated or for any felony) committed prior to the date
16 of expiration shown on such guaranteed arrest bond cer-
17 tificate: *Provided*, That any such guaranteed arrest bond
18 certificate so presented as a bail bond in any court in this
19 state shall be subject to the same forfeiture and enforce-
20 ment provisions as any other bail bond.

21 The term, "guaranteed arrest bond certificate", as used
22 herein, means any printed card or other certificate issued
23 by an automobile club or association to any of its mem-
24 bers, which said card or certificate is signed by such
25 member and contains a printed statement that such auto-

26 mobile club or association and a surety company guar-
27 antee the appearance of the person whose signature ap-
28 pears on the card or certificate and that they will, in the
29 event of failure of said person to appear in court at the
30 time of trial, pay any fine or forfeiture imposed on such
31 person in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars.

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

H. M. Kinley
Chairman Senate Committee

S. H. Wheeler
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Howard Thayer
Clerk of the Senate

J. H. Hill
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Ralph Bean
President of the Senate

W. E. Hammer
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 20th day of March, 1953.

William C. Marland
Governor



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D. PITT O'BRIEN,
SECRETARY OF STATE