WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1953

ENROLLED
SENATE BILL NO. 274

(By Mr. Bowling)

PASSED March 9, 1953

In Effect January 1, 1954

Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact sections three, three-c and four, article seven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to amend said article by adding thereto a new section, to be designated section two-l, relating to the issuance of hunting and fishing licenses.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three, three-c and four, article seven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted, and that said article be amended by adding thereto a new section,
to be designated section two-l, and by amending and reenacting sections three, three-c and four thereof, all to read as follows:

Section 2-1. Authority of Director to Designate Agents to Issue Licenses; Bond.—The director shall have authority to appoint within any county as many persons, firms or corporations, as his agents, with authority to issue licenses under the provisions of this article, as may in his opinion be necessary, in addition to the county clerk, to serve the convenience of the public in procuring such licenses. Each person, firm or corporation so appointed shall, before issuing any license, file with the director a bond payable to the state of West Virginia, in an amount to be fixed by the director at not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, conditioned upon the faithful performance of their obligation to issue licenses only in conformity with the provisions of this article and to account for all license fees received by them. The form of such bond shall be prescribed by the attorney general. Whenever the word "person" is used in this article with respect to persons
or agents authorized to issue licenses, it shall be con-
strued to include firms or corporations.

Sec. 3. Where License Applications Made; Compensa-
tion of Persons Issuing Licenses; Alien Permits.—Persons
eligible for any class license shall make application there-
for, either in person or by agent, in writing or orally,
as follows:

(1) For Class A, B, E, F, H, I, J and K license, to any
county clerk or to any other person authorized by the
director to issue licenses.

(2) For Class D license, to the county clerk of any
county bordering the Ohio River, or to any other person
in such a county authorized by the director to issue li-
censes.

(3) For Class C license, to the commission; and for
Class G and Class L licenses, to the commission, or its
administrative employees at state parks or state forests.
Every person making application for any license shall
pay, in addition to the license fees prescribed therefor
in the preceding sections of this article, an additional fee
of fifteen cents as compensation for the person issuing
the license. All such additional fees received by any county clerk shall be paid by him into the general county fund.

Aliens desiring to procure licenses shall first apply to the director for a permit to secure such license. If the director satisfies himself that the applicant is legally entitled to such license, and will observe the laws of this state, and particularly the provisions of this chapter, he may issue the permit. Permits, once issued, shall remain in force until revoked. No issuing officer shall be required to issue or deliver any license unless the applicant informs him that the licensee is duly qualified and eligible to receive the class of license applied for, and payment of the required fee is made to such officer.

Sec. 3-c. Issuance of License by County Clerks or Other Designated Agents.—The clerk of any county court or any other person authorized to issue licenses to whom an application for license is made shall issue it, if, to the best of his knowledge and information the applicant has given him the information required by section three-a of this article and, in his opinion, is legally en-
titled to obtain the class of license applied for, and pays
the proper fee.

Each license shall bear a serial number and shall be
signed by the clerk of the county court, or his deputy,
or by any other person authorized to issue it. The per-
on issuing the license shall deliver to the purchaser any
tag, badge, or other license container which may be fur-
nished by the director and required to be worn by the
licensee. The person issuing the license shall keep an
accurate record, in form prescribed by the director, of
all licenses issued and of all moneys collected as license
fees.

Sec. 4. Supplies Furnished by Director.—Licenses, tags
to be worn by licensees and badges or containers for li-
censes, if any are required, shall be furnished by the
director to every person authorized to issue licenses.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect January 1, 1954, passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

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

Governor.

Not in the Office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia, MAR 16, 1953.

D. Pitt O'Brien,
SECRETARY OF STATE