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**REGULAR SESSION, 1953** 

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HOUSE BILL No. 19

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## House Bill No. 19

(By Mr. Moreland and Mr. Fumich)

[Passed February 23, 1953; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article eleven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-four, relating to the promotion and financing of a general university research program.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article eleven, chapter eighteen 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-four, to read as follows:

Section 24. Promotion and Financing of General Re-

- 2 search; Authority to Contract for Patents; Special Re-
- 3 search Fund.—In order to promote technical scientific in-
- 4 vestigation, research, experimentation and education, and
- 5 to encourage the development of patentable inventions by

- 6 members of the faculty, associates and employees of the
- 7 university, the board of governors is hereby authorized to
- 8 contract with any reserch foundation, firm, individual or
- 9 agency for the procurement of patents on such inventions.
- 10 The compensation of the research foundations, firm, indi-
- 11 vidual or agency shall be limited to a share of the income
- 12 from such patents, and the contract shall provide for the
- 13 payment of part of the income to the university and part
- 14 to the member of the faculty, associate or employee who
- 15 developed the invention.
- 16 All moneys received by the university under any such
- 17 contract shall be paid into a special research fund, which
- 18 is hereby created in the state treasury, and shall be ex-
- 19 pended only for the futherance of a university program
- 20 of general scientific research, through payments for per-
- 21 sonal services, for the purchase of equipment and supplies,
- 22 and for other expenses necessarily incident to such a pro-
- 23 gram.

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 \_passage. Clerk of the Schate Clerk of the House of Delegates of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates this the 26 th The within

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