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HOUSE BILL No. 295

(By Mr. McCay, of Pendleton)

PASSED February 24, 1955

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House Bill No. 295
(By Mr. McCoy, of Pendleton)

[Passed February 24, 1955; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article nine, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the recovery of expenses incurred in extinguishing fires from persons causing them.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eight, article nine, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 8. Recovery of Expenses Incurred in Extinguishing Fires from Persons Causing Them.—The commission shall, in the name of the state, recover from the person or persons, firm or corporation negligently giving origin to any forest fire which occurs at any time and which has
been extinguished or suppressed by its efforts, the amount
of the owner.
so expended by the state in extinguishing such fire and
the cost thereof, and the same shall not bar the rights of
damages between the parties thereto. Any forest fire,
the origin of which may be occasioned by a trespasser or
by a person who is upon the property without the consent
of the owner, shall not be construed to be the negligence
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 90 days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within    approved this the    

day of March    , 1955.

Governor

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