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SENATE BILL NO. 178

(By Mr. Serbert)

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Senate Bill No. 178

(By MR. MARTIN)

[Passed March 1, 1955; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article three, chapter sixty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the keeping together of juries in the trial of criminal cases.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 6. *Custody of Jury; Expenses; No Conversation*

2 *with Jurors.*—After a jury in a case of felony punishable
3 by death is impaneled and sworn, they shall be kept
4 together until they agree upon a verdict or are discharged

5 by the court. In a case of felony in which the punishment
6 cannot be death, the jury shall not be kept together un-
7 less the court, in its discretion, order it to be so kept
8 together. While a jury is kept together as herein pro-
9 vided, they shall be furnished with suitable board and
10 lodging by the sheriff or other officer. After a jury has
11 been impaneled no sheriff or other officer shall converse
12 with, or permit any one else to converse with, a juror
13 unless by leave of the court.

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

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Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect 90 days from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 7 day of March, 1955.

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Governor.



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