WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1957

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HOUSE BILL No. 326

(By Mr. Chilton)

PASSED March 8, 1957

In Effect 90 days from Passage
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[Passed March 8, 1937; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article ten, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, relating to the treatment of blind persons accompanied by a dog guide in places of public accommodation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article ten, chapter sixty-one 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-three, to read as follows:

Section 23. Treatment of Blind Persons Accompanied by a Dog Guide in Places of Public Accommodation;

Penalty.—It shall be unlawful for any owner, lessee, proprietor, manager, superintendent, agent or employee
of any place of public accommodation, amusement or recreation, including but not limited to any inn, hotel, restaurant, eating house, barber shop, billiard parlor, store, public conveyance on land or water, theatre, motion picture house, public educational institution or elevator, to refuse to permit a blind person to enter such place or to make use of the accommodations available, for the reason that such blind person is being led by a dog guide: Provided, however, That such dog guide is wearing a harness: And provided further, That such blind person shall first have presented for inspection credentials issued by an accredited school for training dog guides. Any person who shall violate this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined an amount not to exceed fifty dollars.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

L. H. McCourt
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect 90 days from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Rhode Island

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President of the Senate

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Speaker, House of Delegates

The within approved this the 15th day of March, 1957.

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Governor

Filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia, MAR 15, 1957.

D. Pitt O'Brien
Secretary of State