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REGULAR SESSION, 1957

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Committee Substitute for
SENATE BILL NO. 161

(By Mr. *Finance Comm*.....)

PASSED *March 6*..... 1957

In Effect *from*..... Passage



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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

Senate Bill No. 161

(Originating in the Senate Committee on Finance)

[Passed March 6, 1957; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact article six, chapter twenty-six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the discontinuance of the Denmar tuberculosis sanitarium and the establishment of the Denmar state hospital in lieu thereof for the maintenance and care of certain chronically ill patients.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Article 6. Denmar State Hospital.

Section 1. *Location; Management; Superintendent.*—

2 The state tuberculosis sanitarium for colored persons,
3 hereto established at Denmar, West Virginia, for the care
4 and treatment of persons of the negro race afflicted with
5 tuberculosis, shall be discontinued. There shall be estab-
6 lished at the same location, under the name of the Den-
7 mar state hospital, a hospital for the chronically ill which
8 shall be managed, directed and controlled as prescribed
9 in article one, chapter twenty-five of this code. The chief
10 executive officer thereof shall be the superintendent, who
11 shall be a regularly qualified physician, shall be a person
12 of good executive ability, and shall be appointed by the
13 governor by and with the advice and consent of the
14 Senate.

Sec. 2. *Patients; Admission; Maintenance.*—Any per-

2 son, a resident of West Virginia, other than an inmate
3 in a penal institution, and who is suffering a chronic ill-
4 ness may upon proper order by the state board of control
5 be admitted or transferred to Denmar state hospital. The
6 board of control may charge each patient for his main-

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7 tenance a sum not to exceed one dollar per day; but the
8 board may, whenever it is deemed just and expedient to
9 do so, exonerate any patient chargeable with such main-
10 tenance from the payment thereof, in whole or in part,
11 if it finds that he is unable to pay or that payment would
12 work an undue hardship upon him or upon those dependent
13 upon him, who, by law, are financially responsible for him.

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

E. A. McCourt
Chairman Senate Committee

Whittaker
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect From passage.

Howard Meyer
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blenkinship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Ralph J. Beasly
President of the Senate

W. C. Fleming
Speaker House of Delegates

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

Leigh B. Underwood
Governor



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

D. PITT O'BRIEN
SECRETARY OF STATE