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HOUSE BILL No. 33

(By Mr. Myles)

PASSED Feb 18, 1959

In Effect 90 days from Passage

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of West Virginia Feb 27, 1959

JOE F. BURDETT
SECRETARY OF STATE
AN ACT to amend and reenact section eighteen, article twelve, chapter sixty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to period of parole and discharge therefrom.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eighteen, article twelve, 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 18. Period of Parole; Discharge.—The period of parole shall be the maximum of any sentence, less deductions for good conduct and work as provided by law, for which the paroled prisoner, at the time of release, was subject to imprisonment under his definite or indeterminate sentence, as the case may be: Provided, That any
time after a paroled prisoner has been on parole for a period of one year from the date of his release, the board may, when in its judgment the ends of parole have been attained and the best interests of the state and the paroled prisoner will be served thereby, release the parolee from further supervision and discharge him from parole: Provided further, That no prisoner sentenced to serve a life term of imprisonment and released on parole shall be discharged from supervision and parole in a period less than five years from the date of his release on parole.

No prisoner on parole who has violated the terms of his release on parole by confession to, or being convicted of, in any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, or the territorial possessions of the United States, the crime of treason, murder, armed robbery, rape, sodomy or incest, shall be discharged from parole. A paroled prisoner serving a sentence in any penitentiary of another state or the United States may, except in the enumerated crimes, be discharged from parole while so
serving his sentence in said penitentiary, or be continued
on parole or returned to West Virginia as a parole vio-
lator, in the discretion of the parole board.
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 27th day of February 1959.

Governor