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HOUSE BILL No. 478

(By Mr. )

PASSED March 13, 1959

In Effect 

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JOE F. BURDETT
SECRETARY OF STATE
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House Bill No. 478
(By Mr. Noll and Mr. Smith, of Tyler)

[Passed March 13, 1959; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article three, 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 forty-eight-a, relating to cutting, damaging or carrying away without permission from the owner thereof, of timber, trees, tree products or growing plants, and providing treble damages therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three, 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 forty-eight-a, to read as follows:

Section 48-a. Cutting, Damaging or Carrying Away without Permission, Timber, Trees, Growing Plants or the Products Thereof; Treble Damages Provided.—Every per-
son, firm, association, partnership or corporation, who
shall cut, damage, or carry away without permission from
the rightful owner thereof, any timber, trees, logs, posts,
fruit, nuts, growing plant or product of any growing plant,
shall be liable to the rightful owner to the amount of
three times the value of such as damages, which shall be
in addition to and notwithstanding any other penalties
by law provided.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

William Jasper Jr.
Chairman Senate Committee

Eudora Andrews
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates.

Takes effect immediately from passage.

Ned L. Hager
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Ralph Beem
President of the Senate

H. R. Kanley
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 20th day of March, 1959.

Jean D. Shaddey
Governor