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HOUSE BILL No. 319

(By Mr. Robertson + Zabeau)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eighteen, article eight, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to exemptions from penalties for laboring on the Sabbath.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 18. *Limitation of Preceding Section; Contract*

2 *Made on Sabbath Day Valid.*—No forfeiture shall be in-
3 curred or conviction had under the preceding section for
4 the transportation on the Sabbath day of the mail, or of
5 passengers and their baggage carried by any mode of
6 public conveyance, or for running any railroad train,
7 traction car or system, automobile or other motor car

8 carrying passengers for pleasure or hire, steamboat or
9 other boat used in carrying passengers or freight, garages,
10 gasoline service stations, manufacturing establishments
11 or any of their employees where the processes of said
12 manufacture require continuous operation and where said
13 employees are on rotating shift schedules, on the Sabbath
14 day, or for the operation of, or labor in, grocery stores or
15 other similar establishments engaged primarily in the
16 sale of food products for human consumption: *Provided,*
17 *however,* That no such establishment located within three
18 hundred feet of a church shall remain open for business
19 on the Sabbath day during the customary hours for morn-
20 ing and evening worship in such church, or for carrying
21 firearms or shooting on that day, by any person having the
22 right so to do under the laws of the United States or of
23 this state; and no forfeiture shall be incurred or conviction
24 had under the preceding section by or of any person who
25 conscientiously believes that the seventh day of the week
26 ought to be observed as a Sabbath and actually refrains
27 from all secular business and labor on that day, provided
28 he does not compel any apprentice or servant not of his

29 belief to do secular work or business on Sunday, and does
30 not on that day disturb any other person in his observance
31 of the same. No contract shall be deemed void because it
32 is made on the Sabbath day.

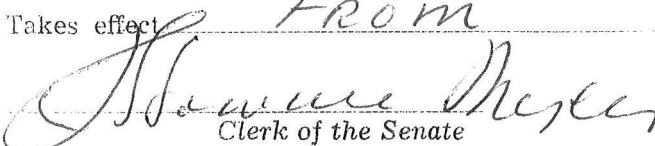
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.


Chairman Senate Committee

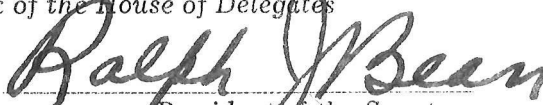

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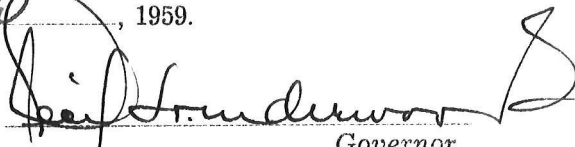

Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker, House of Delegates

The within approved this the 16th

day of March, 1959.


Governor

