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## ENROLLED House Bill No. 344

(By Mr. BROTHERTON)

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AN ACT authorizing Bedford Land Company to cause the removal, transfer and reinterment of certain graves in Kanawha county upon certain terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, Bedford Land Company has heretofore filed a petition in the circuit court of Kanawha county, West Virginia, and presented evidence thereupon, praying for permission to remove, transfer and reinter thirty-two graves in an area located on Abbotts Fork Hollow of Fifteen Mile Fork of Cabin Creek in Cabin Creek district, Kanawha county, West Virginia; and,

WHEREAS, The said court has made certain findings of fact, included among which are that said grave area has been abandoned for many years, that all known survivors of persons interred in said grave area have consented to the removal, transfer and reinterment thereof; and that the livelihood of approximately five hundred persons in the coal industry will (c) (c)

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be jeopardized unless such permission is granted; and,

WHEREAS, The said court has found and ordered that the equities are in favor of said Bedford Land Company, but has declined to grant the permission sought on the sole ground that the court is unable to find any precedent for the granting of such relief and is of the opinion that the matter is one for legislative consideration; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Bedford Land Company Authorized to Re-2 move, Transfer and Reinter Certain Graves.—Bedford 3 Land Company is hereby authorized to remove, transfer 4 and reinter thirty-two graves in a certain area located on 5 Abbotts Fork Hollow of Fifteen Milk Fork of Cabin Creek 6 in Cabin Creek district, Kanawha county, West Virginia, 7 upon the following terms and conditions: Said removal, 8 transfer and reinterment to be made carefully and rever-9 ently, at the expense of Bedford Land Company, by a 10 duly licensed undertaking establishment and funeral di-11 rector, and the relocated graves located as nearly as pos-12 sible in the same manner with relation to another as they 13 are now located. The place of reinterment of the aforesaid 14 graves shall be a location approved by the known sur-15 viving relatives of persons interred in the present grave16 area and by the circuit court of Kanawha county.

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

Chairman Senate Committee Mrs. H. W. Withrow

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Luone .....passage. Takes effect.... Myles Clerk of the Senate -ne Clerk of the House of Delegates Howard W Caroo President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates The within Opposite this the 114 day of March, 1961. Governor 1