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SENATE BILL NO. 64

(By Mr. McClaud)

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AN ACT to amend article eleven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section designated section ten-b, relating to the employment of security officers and to their powers and duties on premises under the jurisdiction of the board of governors.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That article eleven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section designated section ten-b, to read as follows:

**Article 11. West Virginia University.**Section 10-b. *Security Officers; Powers and Duties.*—

2 The board of governors is hereby authorized to appoint  
3 bona fide residents of this state to act as security officers  
4 upon any premises owned or leased by the state of West  
5 Virginia and under the jurisdiction of the board, subject  
6 to the conditions and restrictions hereinafter imposed.  
7 Before entering upon the performance of his duties as  
8 such security officer in any county, each person so ap-  
9 pointed shall qualify therefor in the same manner as is  
10 required of constables by the taking and filing of an oath  
11 of office as required by article one, chapter six of this code  
12 and by the posting of an official bond as required by article  
13 two, chapter six of this code. No such person shall have  
14 authority to carry a gun or any other dangerous weapon  
15 until he shall have obtained a license therefor in the  
16 manner prescribed by section two, article seven, chapter  
17 sixty-one of this code: *Provided, however,* That no  
18 enrolled student of West Virginia University shall be  
19 appointed as a security officer.  
20 It shall be the duty of any person so appointed and

21 qualified to preserve law and order on any premises under  
22 the jurisdiction of the board to which he may be assigned  
23 by the president of the university. For this purpose he  
24 shall as to offenses committed on such premises have and  
25 may exercise all the powers and authority and shall be  
26 subject to all the responsibilities of regularly elected  
27 constables of the county. The assignment of security  
28 officers to any premises under the jurisdiction of the board  
29 shall not be deemed to supersede in any way the authority  
30 or duty of other peace officers to preserve law and order  
31 on such premises.

32 The salary of all such security officers shall be paid by  
33 the board. The board may also furnish such security  
34 officers with an official uniform and shall furnish and re-  
35 quire each such officer while on duty to wear a metallic  
36 shield with an appropriate inscription and to carry cre-  
37 dentials certifying to his identity and to his authority as  
38 a security officer.

39 The board of governors may at its pleasure revoke the  
40 authority of any such officer by filing a notice to that effect  
41 in the office of the clerk of each county in which his oath

42 of office was filed, and in the case of officers licensed to  
43 carry a gun or other dangerous weapons by notifying the  
44 clerk of the circuit court of the county in which the  
45 license therefor was granted.

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

*James Davis, Jr.*  
Chairman Senate Committee

*Mrs. H. W. Hutchins*  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect *from* passage.

*Howard Tyeon*  
Clerk of the Senate

*C. A. Blankenship*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Howard Carson*  
President of the Senate

*Julius W. Singleton Jr.*  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *eight* day of *March*, 1961.

*W. W. Cannon*  
Governor

