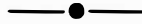


WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1963



ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 7

(By Mr. Watson)



PASSED March 8, 1963

In Effect immediately from Passage



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House Bill No. 7

(By MR. WATSON)

[Passed March 8, 1963; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to compensate Ruth Wilderman for personal injuries and to reimburse her for medical, hospital and other expenses incurred as a result of a fall in the Marion county library, in the city of Fairmont, Marion county, West Virginia.

WHEREAS, On May tenth, one thousand nine hundred sixty, Ruth Wilderman of Fairmont, Marion county, West Virginia, who was a visitor at the Marion county library on that date; and

WHEREAS, Said library was under the jurisdiction, control and supervision of the county court of Marion County, West Virginia, and was maintained and operated for the con-

venience of Ruth Wilderman and other citizens; and

WHEREAS, While leaving said building and in closing the door by the doorknob, the knob detached from the door and as a result she was thrown off balance and was hurled violently from the elevated platform to the concrete walk; and

WHEREAS, As a result of said fall, the said Ruth Wilderman suffered bruises, abrasions, cuts, contusions, and was hospitalized and necessarily incurred certain medical, hospital and other expenses; and

WHEREAS, The loosened and defective condition of the doorknob was known to the maintenance force of the library and to the librarian, employees of the Marion county court, and the said Ruth Wilderman^d was in no sense at fault in the premises; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Marion County Court Authorized to Pay

2 Claim of Ruth Wilderman.—The county court of Marion
3 county is hereby authorized, as in its discretion it may see
4 fit, to pay the sum of twenty-two hundred dollars to Ruth
5 Wilderman to compensate her for her personal injuries

6 suffered and to reimburse her for medical, hospital and
7 other expenses incurred as a result of the defective door-
8 handle at the Marion county library coming loose and
9 causing her to fall.

Sec. 2. Finding of Moral Obligation.—It is hereby
2 declared to be the finding of the Legislature based upon its
3 conclusions of fact, that the authorization set forth in
4 section one of this act for compensation of Ruth Wilder-
5 man for personal injuries sustained and to reimburse her
6 for medical, hospital and other expenses incurred as a
7 result of said personal injuries resulting from the defective
8 condition of the public premises under the jurisdiction of,
9 and maintained and operated by, the county court of
10 Marion county, West Virginia, is in satisfaction of a moral
11 obligation of the said county court.

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

Clay Parker
Chairman Senate Committee

Philip L. Randall
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Thomas Meyer
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard Roberson
President of the Senate

Julius W. Sigleton Jr.
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 14th
day of March, 1963.

W. W. Bauman
Governor

