WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1963

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SENATE BILL NO. 130

(By Mr. Gainer)

PASSED March 7, 1963

In Effect from Passage

Filed in Office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia 3-15-63
JOE F. BURDETT
SECRETARY OF STATE
AN ACT to repeal section twenty-two, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to enact in lieu thereof a new section twenty-two, relating to the tagging, removing, transporting, and reporting of deer, bear, or wild turkey.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-two, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed and that a new section twenty-two be enacted in lieu thereof, to read as follows:

Section 22. Tagging, Removing, Transporting, and Reporting Deer, Bear and Wild Turkey.—Each person killing
a deer, bear or wild turkey found in a wild state shall immediately after removing the entrails, but in any event, within one hour, and before transporting or removing the carcass in any manner from where it was killed, complete and attach thereto the game tag supplied with his or her hunting license. The game tag shall remain on the carcass until it is dressed for consumption.

If such game bird or game animal has been lawfully killed by a person not required to secure a license, or by a person who has previously killed another species of game bird or game animal for which a game tag is required, or by a person who has lost the tag supplied with his or her license, such person shall make and attach a tag to the carcass within the time specified after such killing. The tag shall bear in plain English, the name and address of the hunter, and the date of killing; or, if holding a license, the license number and the date and county where the game was killed.

The carcass of such game bird or game animal shall be delivered to a conservation officer or an official checking station for checking and retagging before it is either
24 skinned or transported beyond the boundaries of the
25 county adjacent to that in which the kill was made.
26 Every failure to have said tag or tags attached, or re-
27 moving or transporting such animal in any manner, or
28 failure to deliver the carcass to a conservation officer or
29 an official checking station for checking, as herein pro-
30 vided, shall subject the person so neglecting to the penal-
31 ties provided in this article.
32 Any deer, bear or wild turkey found and not tagged as
33 herein provided shall be forfeited to the state of West
34 Virginia to be disposed of as hereinafter provided and
35 may be seized by any officer whose duty it is to enforce
36 the game laws.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

O. Ray Parker
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect FROM passage.

Howard Keener
Clerk of the Senate

C. R. Lockwood
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard E. Givens
President of the Senate

Julius Bingleton, Jr.
Speaker House of Delegates

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

Governor