WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1966

ENROLLED
SENATE BILL NO. 47

(By Mr. Smith and Mr. Brown)

PASSED February 27, 1966

In Effect from Passage

FILED IN THE OFFICE
ROBERT D. BAILEY
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 2-11-66
AN ACT to amend article one-a, chapter twenty-seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twelve, relating to that certain parcel of land known as the Lesage state forest tree nursery; providing that said property shall be held by the state of West Virginia for the sole use and benefit of the department of mental health for the establishment of a regional center for the care and treatment of the mentally retarded; and authorizing and empowering said department to lease said
property to a political subdivision or any non-profit group, agency or corporation for such purpose.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 12. Property for Use as a Center for the Mentally Retarded.—On and after the effective date of this section, that certain parcel of land known as the Lesage state forest tree nursery located in Cabell county and owned by the state of West Virginia for the use and benefit of the department of natural resources shall be held for the sole use and benefit of the department of mental health for the establishment of a regional center for the care and treatment of the mentally retarded, and shall be under the exclusive control and jurisdiction of said department of mental health, and the department of natural resources shall thereupon have no further rights or interests in, or privileges, responsibilities or obligations with respect to, said tract of land.
In establishing and developing said center, the director of the department of mental health is hereby authorized and empowered to lease said premises on a long-term basis for and on behalf of the state of West Virginia to a political subdivision of this state or any non-profit group, agency or corporation qualified to operate a center for the care and treatment of the mentally retarded.

Before the director shall enter into such a lease, said political subdivision, local group, agency or corporation shall first present to the director a comprehensive plan for the use, development and establishment of said center for his approval.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

V. Roy Parker  
Chairman Senate Committee

James W. Ring  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect from Passage.

J. Howard Harper  
Clerk of the Senate

J. A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard McCarvon  
President of the Senate

D. Robert M. Tate  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approach this the 10th day of February, 1966.

Hulet C. Smith  
Governor
PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Date: 2/7/66

Time: 10:40 AM