WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1967

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 788

(By Mr. )

PASSED March 9, 1967

In Effect

FILED IN THE OFFICE
ROBERT D. DALEY
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 3-20-67
ENROLLED

House Bill No. 788
(By Mr. Lohr and Mr. Cain)

[Passed March 9, 1967; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article two, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-four, relating to security officers for all colleges and universities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article two, 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 twenty-four, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
The state board of education is hereby authorized to appoint bona fide residents of this state to act as security officers upon any premises owned or leased at any college or university under its jurisdiction, subject to the conditions and restrictions hereinafter imposed. Before entering upon the performance of his duties as such security officer in any county, each person so appointed shall qualify therefor in the same manner as is required of constables by the taking and filing of an oath of office as required by article one, chapter six of this code and by the posting of an official bond as required by article two, chapter six of this code. No such person shall have authority to carry a gun or any other dangerous weapon until he shall have obtained a license therefor in the manner prescribed by section two, article seven, chapter sixty-one of this code: Provided, however, That no enrolled student at any such college or university shall be appointed as a security officer.

It shall be the duty of any person so appointed and qualified to preserve law and order on any premises under the jurisdiction of the board to which he may be
assigned by the president of the university or colleges.

For this purpose he shall as to offenses committed on such premises have and may exercise all the powers and authority and shall be subject to all the responsibilities of regularly elected constables of the county. The assignment of security officers to any premises under the jurisdiction of the board shall not be deemed to supersede in any way the authority or duty of other peace officers to preserve law and order on such premises.

The salary of all such security officers shall be paid by the board. The board shall also furnish such security officers with an official uniform and other equipment and shall furnish and require each such officer while on duty to wear a metallic shield with an appropriate inscription and to carry credentials certifying to his identity and to his authority as a security officer. If an automobile is not provided for his use by the board, such security officer shall be reimbursed at the rate of ten cents per mile for the use of a private automobile used in pursuance of his necessary duties hereunder.

The state board of education may at its pleasure re-
Enr. H. B. No. 788]

43 woke the authority of any such officer by filing a notice
44 to that effect in the office of the clerk of each county in
45 which his oath of office was filed, and in the case of
46 officers licensed to carry a gun or other dangerous wea-
47 pons by notifying the clerk of the circuit court of the
48 county in which the license therefor was granted.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

William Tampas  
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton C. Davidson  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Joseph T. Bryan  
Clerk of the Senate

C. V. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard J. Carson  
President of the Senate

W. Saper White  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within ____________________________ this the 17 __________ day of March ________, 1967.

Hulet C. Smith  
Governor
PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Date  3/17/62

Time  3:45 P.M.