

# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1967

## ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 134

(By Mr. Gainer.....)

PASSED February 13, 1967

In Effect January 1, 1968 Passage

FILED IN THE OFFICE  
ROBERT D. BAILEY  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
THIS DATE 2/20/67

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the trapping of beaver.

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

That section twenty, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 2. GAME AND FISH.**

**§20-2-20. Trapping beaver.**

No person shall at any time:

- 2     (1) Set or maintain more than the number of beaver

3 traps, or groups of beaver traps, established as the season  
4 limit in any one year by the director;

5 (2) Set any traps for beaver within fifteen feet of the  
6 water line on the structure of any beaver house;

7 (3) Have in his possession an untagged beaver hide,  
8 or part thereof, within the period beginning thirty days  
9 after the end of the open season and ending with the first  
10 day of the next succeeding open season for beavers; and

11 (4) Destroy, disturb, or in any manner interfere with  
12 dams, houses or burrows of beavers while trapping for or  
13 attempting to trap for beavers.

14 If any person shall unintentionally trap and kill more  
15 beavers than fixed by regulations as the season bag limit,  
16 he shall, within twenty-four hours thereafter, deliver  
17 said beaver or beavers to a conservation officer.

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

*William Tompkins*  
Chairman Senate Committee

*Clyton C. Davidson*  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect January 1, 1968.

*James H. Meyer*  
Clerk of the Senate

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

*Howard E. Carson*

President of the Senate

*H. Laban White*  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *18*  
day of *February*, 1967.

*Sue C. Smith*  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

Date 2-16-67

Time 10:55 AM