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HOUSE BILL No. 687

(By Mr. Shiflet.....)



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SECRETARY OF STATE
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AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, article twenty, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to county dog fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 20. DOGS.

§19-20-10. Dog and kennel fund; disposition thereof.

1 All registration fees, head taxes, and fees and costs for
2 impounding and disposing of dogs, as provided in this

3 article, and collected thereunder, shall be paid into the
4 county treasury where they shall constitute and be set
5 aside as a special fund to be designated the "dog and
6 kennel fund."

7 The county court shall expend such fund, and issue
8 drafts payable therefrom, for the following purposes,
9 and no others: To pay the actual expenses incurred by
10 the county court, the county assessor, and the sheriff in
11 carrying out the provisions of this article; to pay for
12 the services of the dog warden, his deputies, pound-
13 keepers, and such other persons as may be employed, if
14 any, or may render services, in actually carrying out
15 the provisions of this article; to pay for the purchase,
16 procurement, rental, construction, operation, maintenance
17 and repair of any property, devices or facilities rea-
18 sonably necessary and required to carry out the provisions
19 of this article; to compensate any department of the
20 state government or any local board of health for any
21 necessary service rendered in connection with this article;
22 to pay the costs of any rabies control project or program
23 authorized by law; to compensate any persons who have

24 suffered loss or damage on account of the destruction,
25 loss, or injury by dogs of any sheep, lamb, goat, kid or
26 poultry, when such claims have been proved and allowed
27 as provided in this article: *Provided, however,* That
28 such compensation authorized by the county court shall
29 not exceed an amount double the assessed value of the
30 destroyed or injured animals or poultry as shown on the
31 assessor's records, and in the event such animals are
32 not assessed, then compensation authorized by said court
33 shall not exceed the average assessed value of like animals
34 or poultry, or if no like animal or poultry is assessed,
35 then not to exceed the fair market value as determined
36 by the county court.

37 In the event that the dog and kennel fund shall in any
38 year be insufficient to pay the several items set forth
39 in this section, then the county court may be, and it is
40 hereby, authorized and empowered to pay such items out
41 of the county general fund. Any surplus of the dog and
42 kennel fund remaining unexpended in the county treas-
43 ury, and, in the opinion of the county court, not needed
44 for the payment and satisfaction of claims and expenses

45 as herein provided, shall annually be paid into and
46 credited to the county school fund, but the funds thus
47 used shall be in an amount deemed proper and safe in
48 the judgment and discretion of the county court.

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

William Tompos
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton P. Davidson
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1967.

J. Suzanne Keyes
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard E. Cannon
President of the Senate

H. L. White
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 1st
day of March, 1968.

Hubert C. Smith
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 2-24-67

Time 2:45 P.M.