WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1968

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 316

(By Mr. [Signature], Mr. White, and Mr. Potter)

PASSED February 7, 1968

In Effect from Passage

FILED IN THE OFFICE
ROBERT D. BAILEY
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 2-16-68
AN ACT to amend article four, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section thirty, authorizing and empowering the council or similar governing body of any municipality to prohibit by ordinance discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color or national origin in the sale, purchase, lease or rental of housing accommodations within the corporate limits of such municipality and to impose by ordinance fines for the violation of the provisions of any such ordinance.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

 ARTICLE 4. POWERS, DUTIES AND ALLIED RELATIONS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, COUNCILS OR OFFICERS.

§8-4-30. Power and authority to enact ordinance prohibiting discrimination with respect to housing accommodations.

1. The council or similar governing body of any municipality (however created, whether operating under a legislative charter, home rule charter or general law only, and notwithstanding any statutory or municipal charter provisions to the contrary) shall have the power and authority, by ordinance, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color or national origin in the sale, purchase, lease or rental of housing accommodations within the corporate limits of such municipality, and to impose fines for the violation of the provisions of any such ordinance.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

William Tempes
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton C. Davidson
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.
Takes effect from passage.

H. Blankenship
Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard W. Carman
President of the Senate

J. Lamar White
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approved this the 14th day of February, 1968.

Huey P. Long
Governor