

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION, 1969

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**ENROLLED**

SENATE BILL NO. 95

(By Mr. Hubbard)

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PASSED March 4 1969

In Effect Jan Passage

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JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, IV  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
THIS DATE 3-14-69

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**Senate Bill No. 95**

(By MR. HUBBARD)

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[Passed March 4, 1969; in effect from passage.]

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AN ACT to amend article six, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section nineteen, prohibiting the placing, erection or construction of shelter accommodations on certain property owned by or leased to the state, any county or any municipality without written permission; providing penalties; and providing that any such erected shelter accommodation is a public nuisance which may be abated at the expense of any person erecting or using the same.

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

That article six, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be

amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section nineteen, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 6. CRIMES AGAINST THE PEACE.**

**§61-6-19. Camping upon governmental grounds or lawns; penalties; public nuisance.**

1 If any person shall go upon the ground or lawn sur-  
2 rounding or adjacent to (1) the state capitol building or  
3 any state office building which is a part of the state  
4 capitol complex, or (2) a county courthouse, or (3) any  
5 municipal office building where the principal business  
6 of the municipality is conducted, which ground or lawn  
7 is owned by or leased to the state of West Virginia, the  
8 county, or such municipality, as the case may be, and  
9 place, erect or construct or attempt to place, erect or  
10 construct for himself or others shelter accommodations  
11 thereon or use any such erected shelter accommodations,  
12 without the written permission first had and obtained  
13 of the governor, the county court, or the governing body  
14 of the municipality, as the case may be, he shall be guilty  
15 of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be  
16 punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars

17 nor more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment  
18 in jail for not more than thirty days, or in the discretion of  
19 the court, by both such fine and imprisonment, and any  
20 such shelter accommodations are hereby constituted a  
21 public nuisance which may be abated at the expense of  
22 any such person. Each day upon which any violation of  
23 the provisions of this section continues shall constitute a  
24 separate offense.

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

William Tompkins  
Chairman Senate Committee

Phyllis J. Rutledge  
Thee. Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect from passage.

Thomas Meyers  
Clerk of the Senate

A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Elizabeth Gore  
President of the Senate

Sam F. Davis  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of March, 1969.

Arch A. Shaver, Jr.  
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

Date 3/7/69

Time 2:30 p.m.

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