WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1971

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 858

(By Mr. Bowman and Mr. Edgar)

PASSED March 13, 1971

In Effect Ninety Days From Passage

FILED IN THE OFFICE
JOHN G. ROBERTS, IV
SECRETARY OF STATE
 THIS DATE 4-2-71
AN ACT to repeal article nineteen, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend and reenact sections one and five, article eighteen of said chapter, all relating to the general and optional stock law.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article nineteen, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be repealed; and that sections one and five, article eighteen of said chapter be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 18. GENERAL STOCK LAW.

§19-18-1. Stock trespassing on grounds of another; damages.

1 If any horse, mule, ass, jennet, cattle, sheep, swine, or goat shall enter into any grounds, the owner or man-
ager of any such stock shall be liable to the owner or tenant of such grounds for any damage he may sustain thereby, and the party so injured may, if he find such stock on his premises, impound them, or a sufficient number thereof, subject to the provisions of sections eight, nine and ten of this article, until such damages and costs of keeping have been paid.


Should any stock, while running at large contrary to the provisions of sections one, two, three or four of this article, injure or destroy the property of another, the owner or manager of any such stock shall, notwithstanding any penalty imposed by said sections, be liable to the party whose property shall have been injured or destroyed for the amount of damage sustained by him by reason of such injury or destruction. And the party so injured may, if he find such stock on his premises, impound them, or a sufficient number thereof, subject to the provisions of sections eight, nine and ten of this article, until such damages and costs of keeping be paid.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Russell B. Beck
Chairman Senate Committee

Phyllis J. Guthrie
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

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Harriett C. Helms
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

E. Hans McCormick
President of the Senate

Lewis W. McCormick
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 1st day of April, 1971.

Arch A. Lewis, Jr.
Governor