WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1975

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 1212

(By Mr. Perry and Mr. Lee)

PASSED March 8, 1975

In Effect ninety days from Passage

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section thirty, article three, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to making break down, destruction, injury, defacement or removal of certain no trespassing signs a misdemeanor and to the penalty for such offense.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 3. CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY.

§61-3-30. Removal, injury to or destruction of property, monuments designating land boundaries and of certain no trespassing signs; penalties.

1 If any person unlawfully, but not feloniously, take and carry away, or destroy, injure or deface any property, real or personal, not his own, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than one year, or both fined and imprisoned.

8 If any person shall break down, destroy, injury, deface or remove any monument erected for the purpose of designating the boundaries of a municipality, tract or lot of land,
or any tree marked for that purpose, or any sign or notice
upon private property designating no trespassing upon such
property, except signs or notices posted in accordance with
the provisions and purposes of sections seven, eight and ten,
article two, chapter twenty of this code, he shall be guilty of
a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined
not less than twenty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars,
or imprisoned in the county jail not less than one nor more
than six months, or both fined and imprisoned. Justices of the
peace and magistrates shall have concurrent jurisdiction of all
offenses arising under the provisions of this section. The
provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to the owner, or
his agent, of the lands on which such signs or notices are
posted.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

James L. Harris
Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.
Takes effect ninety days from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 22nd day of March, 1975.

Ivan A. Brown
Governor
PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date  3/18/75
Time  4:15 p.m.