

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1977



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HOUSE BILL No. 1369

(By Mr. Sattes)



PASSED April 1, 1977

In Effect ninety days from Passage



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H. B. 1369

(By MR. SATTES)

[Passed April 1, 1977; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article six, chapter sixty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, relating to the treatment by physicians of minors addicted to alcoholic liquor or nonintoxicating beer without the consent or knowledge of the minor's parent or guardian.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

§60-6-23. Treatment of minors.

1 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any licensed
2 physician may examine, counsel, diagnose and treat any
3 minor at his or her request for any addiction to or dependency
4 upon the use of alcoholic liquor or nonintoxicating beer, as
5 defined in section five, article one of this chapter, without the
6 knowledge or consent of the minor's parent or guardian. Such
7 physicians shall not incur any civil or criminal liability in con-
8 nection therewith except for negligence or willful injury.

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

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Lawrence G. Johnston
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

J. Scullough
Clerk of the Senate

W. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. T. Burtlett Jr.
President of the Senate

Donald L. Topp
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 12
day of April, 1977.

John J. Ruliffe
Governor

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APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Date April 12, 1977

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