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HOUSE BILL No. 952

(By Mr. Ketchum + Mr. Otte)

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Passed March 6, 1979

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H. B. 952

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section five, article three, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to having state director of health acquire vaccines, expanding list of vaccines to include polio, measles, mumps, rubella and pertussis, making the vaccines available to all citizens, deleting language concerning distribution of vaccine to drugstores, providing for distribution of vaccine by county and municipal health officers and requiring county and municipal health officers to provide the state director of health with a receipt for delivered vaccine.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

**ARTICLE 3. PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE
AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**

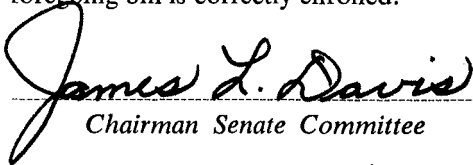
§16-3-5. Free serum or vaccine preventives of disease.

1 The state director of health shall acquire vaccine for the
2 prevention of polio, measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, per-
3 tussis, tetanus, small pox and other vaccine preventives of
4 disease as may be deemed necessary or required by law, and
5 shall distribute the same, free of charge, in such quantities as
6 he may deem necessary, to county and municipal health offi-

7 cers, to be used by them for the benefit of, and without ex-
8 pense to the citizens within their respective jurisdictions, to
9 check contagions and control epidemics.

10 The county and municipal health officers shall have the re-
11 sponsibility to properly store and distribute, free of charge,
12 vaccines to private medical or osteopathic physicians within
13 their jurisdictions to be utilized to check contagions and con-
14 trol epidemics: *Provided*, That the private medical or osteo-
15 pathic physicians shall not make a charge for the vaccine itself
16 when administering it to a patient. The county and municipal
17 health officers shall provide a receipt to the state director of
18 health for any vaccine delivered as herein provided.

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


Chairman Senate Committee


Chairman House Committee

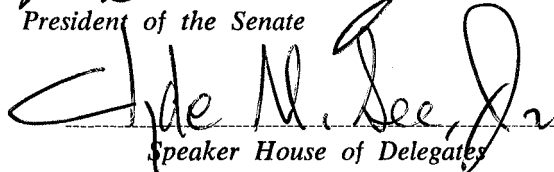
Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.


Clerk of the Senate


Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 24
day of March, 1979.


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