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SENATE BILL NO. 551

(By Mr. Harmon)

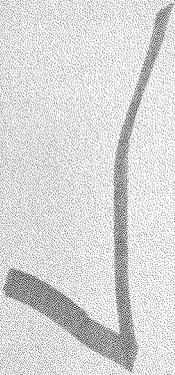


PASSED March 8, 1979

In Effect ninety days from Passage



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Senate Bill No. 551

(By MR. HARMAN)

[Passed March 8, 1979; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend chapter nine-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated article three, relating to the establishment of a veterans' cemetery by the department of veterans affairs; establishment of a national cemetery or expansion of an existing national cemetery.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 3. STATE CEMETERY FOR VETERANS.

§9A-3-1. State cemetery for veterans.

1 The department of veterans affairs is hereby em-
2 powered to establish and maintain a state veterans'
3 cemetery which shall be centrally located within the
4 state and easily accessible. Interment in the state vet-
5 erans' cemetery shall be available to all persons who are
6 residents and citizens of the state and who have served
7 in the armed forces of the United States, including the
8 army, air force, navy, marine corps and coast guard, and
9 who have a discharge other than dishonorable.

10 Further, the department of veterans affairs is hereby
11 granted authority to acquire and transfer real property
12 to the United States veterans administration contingent
13 upon the utilization of such real property by that federal

14 agency for the establishment of a new national cemetery
15 or for the expansion of an existing national cemetery.

16 For the purposes set forth in this article the depart-
17 ment of veterans affairs is hereby authorized to receive
18 funds by gift, grant, appropriation or by any other means
19 from any source available or to become available.

**§9A-3-2. Department to promulgate rules and regulations and
make facilities available.**

1 The department shall promulgate rules and regula-
2 tions not inconsistent herewith for the administration of
3 the veterans' cemetery and shall make available to all
4 persons eligible for the benefit thereof the facilities at
5 such cemetery upon request.

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

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Lawrence C. Christensen
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect ninety days from passage.

J. C. Kellough
Clerk of the Senate

V. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

P. T. Burkhardt
President of the Senate

Clay M. Lee, Jr.
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 27
day of March, 1979.

John R. Rahn
Governor



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