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# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1980

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HOUSE BILL No. 933

(By Mr. Stephens)

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Passed March 5, 1980

In Effect Ninety Days From Passage



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**H. B. 933**

(By MR. STEPHENS)

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AN ACT to amend article two, chapter two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section one-b, relating to the observance of Martin Luther King's birthday by public employees.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

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

**ARTICLE 2. LEGAL HOLIDAYS; SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAYS; CONSTRUCTION OF STATUTES; DEFINITIONS.**

**§2-2-1b. Martin Luther King day.**

1 Notwithstanding the provisions of section one-a of this  
2 article the observance of Martin Luther King day may be  
3 observed on his actual birthday, the fifteenth of January, by  
4 public employees. No public employer shall refuse to allow  
5 any employee time off for the observance of Martin Luther  
6 King day on his actual birthday; however, such time off in  
7 observance of Martin Luther King day shall be charged, if  
8 the employer so agrees, against the participating employee's

9 annual leave or accrued vacation time: *Provided*, That in no  
10 event shall the observance of Martin Luther King Day result  
11 in the closing of the office of the clerk of any circuit court or  
12 clerk of any county commission or clerk of the supreme court  
13 of appeals on any day other than a Sunday, a Saturday or a  
14 legal holiday.

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

*James L. Davis*  
Chairman Senate Committee

*Dorence C. Christensen*  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Irld C. Willis*

Clerk of the Senate

*Blankenship*

Clerk of the House of Delegates

*W. C. Blinn*

President of the Senate

*Clyde M. Lee Jr.*

Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *20*  
*March* day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1980.

*Paul R. Ralston*  
Governor

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