WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1980

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 190

(By Mr. Susan)  

PASSED February 29, 1980

In Effect thirty days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section seventy-c, article two, chapter twenty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to promulgation of rules and regulations, by the board of coal mine health and safety, for the construction of shafts, slopes, surface facilities and attendant safety hazards at mine sites; and time limits therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 2. COAL MINES.

§22-2-70c. Construction of shafts, slopes, surface facilities and the safety hazards attendant therewith; duties of board of coal mine health and safety to promulgate rules and regulations; time limits therefor.

1 The board of coal mine health and safety shall investigate or cause to be investigated the technology, procedures and techniques used in the construction of shafts, slopes, surface facilities, and the safety hazards, attendant therewith, and shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the construction of shafts and slopes; and shall promulgate by the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred eighty-one, rules and regulations governing the construction of surface facilities.

11 The board of coal mine health and safety shall continuously update such rules and regulations governing the construction of shafts, slopes and surface facilities,
which rules and regulations shall have as their paramount concern, the health and safety of the persons involved in such operations, and such rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the certification of all supervisors, the certification and training of heist operators and shaft workers, the certification of blasters, and approval of plans. The provisions of such rules and regulations may be enforced against operators and construction companies in accord with the provisions of article one of this chapter. For purposes of this chapter, a construction company shall be deemed an operator.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

James L. Davis  
Chairman Senate Committee

Chas. C. Christian  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect ninety days from passage

J. E. Mills  
Clerk of the Senate

O. A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

C. M. Fishburne  
President of the Senate

A. N. Lea  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 10th day of March, 1980.

G. D. Rodriguez  
Governor