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# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1984



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HOUSE BILL No. 1031

(By ~~Mr.~~ *Delegate Love* )



Passed *February 22,* 1984

In Effect *Ninety Days From* Passage



**ENROLLED**

**H. B. 1031**

(By DELEGATE LOVE)

[Passed February 22, 1984: in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article fifteen, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the power and authority to form volunteer fire companies; number of persons who may serve; recordation of statement; organization.

8-15-4  
(A+R)

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

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

8-15-4  
(A+R)

**ARTICLE 15. FIRE FIGHTING; FIRE COMPANIES AND DEPARTMENTS; CIVIL SERVICE FOR PAID FIRE DEPARTMENTS.**

**PART II. VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES**

**§8-15-4. Power and authority to form fire companies; recordation of statement; organization.**

1 Any number of persons, not less than twenty, residing with-  
2 in the corporate limits of a municipality without a paid fire  
3 department may form themselves into a company for ex-  
4 tinguishing fires therein. A writing stating the formation of  
5 such company, with the names of the members thereof sub-  
6 scribed thereto, shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of  
7 the county commission of the county wherein such munici-

8 pality or the major portion of the territory thereof is located,  
9 after which the members of the company shall elect its  
10 officers, including a commander, and make rules and regu-  
11 lations for effecting its object consistent with the laws of  
12 the state and the ordinances of such municipality. A volun-  
13 teer fire company shall be subject to the authority of the  
14 governing body.

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

*James L. Davis*  
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Chairman Senate Committee

*Donald Ansell*  
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Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Jed C. Hillis*  
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Clerk of the Senate

*Donald L. Hopp*  
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Clerk of the House of Delegates  
*Warren R. McAnaw*  
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President of the Senate

*W. M. Lee, Jr.*  
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *4*  
day of *March*, 1984.

*John M. Ruppel*  
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Governor

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