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WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Committee Substitute for
SENATE BILL NO. 11

(By Senators *Shitka & Pover*)



PASSED March 9, 1988

In Effect *ninety days from* Passage



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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

Senate Bill No. 11

(SENATORS WHITACRE AND PARKER, *original sponsors*)

[Passed March 9, 1988; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article three, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to willfully and maliciously setting fire on lands; criminal penalties; civil liability.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 3. CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY.

§61-3-6. Willfully and maliciously setting fire on lands; criminal penalty; civil liability.

1 If any person unlawfully and maliciously sets fire to any
2 woods, fence, grass, straw or other thing capable of
3 spreading fire on lands, he or she shall be guilty of a felony,
4 and, upon conviction, shall be fined not less than one
5 hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, and be
6 imprisoned for not less than one year nor more than five
7 years. He or she shall, moreover, be liable to any person
8 injured thereby, or in consequence thereof, for double the
9 amount of damages sustained by such person.

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

Bless O. DeLoach
Chairman Senate Committee

Bernard V. Kelly
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Judd C. Walker
Clerk of the Senate

Donald L. Bygg
Clerk of the House of Delegates

San Turkovich
President of the Senate

John W. Claborn
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *Approved* this the *25th*
day of *March*, 1988.
Aruba. Mansel
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

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