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SENATE BILL NO. 438

(By Senator Shitlaw)

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(By SENATOR WHITLOW)

[Passed February 22, 1988; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one-b, article six, chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the crime of disorderly conduct; designating certain private places where such conduct may constitute a crime; setting forth penalty; and providing definitions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one-b, article six, 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 6. CRIMES AGAINST THE PEACE.

§61-6-1b. Disorderly conduct; penalty.

- 1 (a) Any person who, in a public place, a mobile home
- 2 park, a public parking area, a common area of an apartment
- 3 building or dormitory, or a common area of a privately
- 4 owned commercial shopping center, mall or other group of
- 5 commercial retail establishments, disturbs the peace of
- 6 others by violent, profane, indecent or boisterous conduct
- 7 or language or by the making of unreasonably loud noise
- 8 that is intended to cause annoyance or alarm to another
- 9 person, and who persists in such conduct after being
- 10 requested to desist by a law-enforcement officer acting in

- 11 his lawful capacity, is guilty of disorderly conduct, a 12 misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined
- 13 not more than one hundred dollars.
- 14 (b) For purposes of this section:
- 15 (1) "Mobile home park" means a privately-owned 16 residential housing area or subdivision wherein the 17 dwelling units are comprised mainly of mobile homes and 18 wherein the occupants of such dwelling units share 19 common elements for purposes of ingress and egress, 20 parking, recreation and other like residential purposes.
- 21 (2) "Mobile home" means a moveable or portable unit, 22 designed and constructed to be towed on its own chassis 23 (comprised of frame and wheels), and designed to be 24 connected to utilities for year-round occupancy. The term 25 includes: (A) Units containing parts that may be folded, 26 collapsed or telescoped when being towed and that may be 27 expanded to provide additional cubic capacity, and (B) 28 units composed of two or more separately towable 29 components designed to be joined into one integral unit 30 capable of being separated again into the components for 31 repeated towing.
- 32 (3) "Public parking area" means an area, whether 33 publicly or privately owned or maintained, open to the use 34 of the public for parking motor vehicles.

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

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