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HOUSE BILL No. 2267

(By Mr. Del. Roop t. Brown)

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Passed ___________ 1991

In Effect from Passage
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H. B. 2267

(By Delegates Roop and Brum)

[Passed March 7, 1991; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section fifty-seven, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to negligent shooting and providing criminal penalties therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

§20-2-57. Negligent shooting, wounding or killing of human being or livestock while hunting; penalty.

1 It is unlawful for any person, while engaged in hunting, pursuing, taking or killing wild animals or wild birds, to carelessly or negligently shoot, wound or kill any human being or livestock, or to destroy or injure any other chattels or property.

2 Any person who, in the act of hunting, pursuing, taking or killing of wild animals or wild birds, in any manner injures any person or property shall file with the director a full description of the accident or other casualty, including such information as the director may require. Such report must be filed during a period not to exceed seventy-two hours following such incident.
Any person violating this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than one thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than one year, or both fined and imprisoned. Restitution of the value of the livestock, chattel or property injured or destroyed shall be required upon conviction.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within ................... this the ............

day of ....................., 1991.

Governor