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SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1992



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*Com. Sub. for*  
HOUSE BILL No. *4542*

(By Delegate *Love* )



Passed *March 6,* 1992

In Effect *Ninety Days from* Passage

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

**H. B. 4542**

(By DELEGATE LOVE)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-two, article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to transporting the carcass or fresh skin and head of a deer; requiring that the fresh skin and head or carcass of a deer be checked before it is transported across certain county boundaries.

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

That section twenty-two, 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:

**ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.**

**§20-2-22. Tagging, removing, transporting and reporting deer and wild turkey.**

1 Each person killing a deer or wild turkey found in a  
2 wild state shall immediately after removing the entrails,  
3 but in any event within one hour and before transport-  
4 ing or removing the carcass in any manner from where  
5 it was killed, complete and attach thereto the game tag  
6 supplied with his or her hunting license. The game tag

7 shall remain on the carcass until it is dressed for  
8 consumption.

9 If such wild turkey or deer has been lawfully killed  
10 by a person not required to secure a license, or by a  
11 person who has previously killed another species of  
12 game bird or game animal for which a game tag is  
13 required, or by a person who has lost the tag supplied  
14 with his or her license, such person shall make and  
15 attach a tag to the carcass within the time specified  
16 after such killing. The tag shall bear in plain English  
17 the name and address of the hunter, and the date of  
18 killing, or, if holding a license, the license number and  
19 the date and county where the game was killed.

20 The carcass of such wild turkey shall be delivered to  
21 a conservation officer or an official checking station for  
22 checking and retagging before it is either skinned or  
23 transported beyond the boundaries of the county  
24 adjacent to that in which the kill was made.

25 The fresh skin and head or carcass of the deer shall  
26 be delivered to a conservation officer or an official  
27 checking station for checking and retagging before it is  
28 transported beyond the boundaries of the county  
29 adjacent to that in which the kill was made.

30 Every failure to have said tag or tags attached, or  
31 removing or transporting such animal in any manner,  
32 or failure to deliver the carcass or fresh skin and head  
33 to a conservation officer or to an official checking station  
34 for checking, as herein provided, shall subject the  
35 person so neglecting to the penalties provided in this  
36 article.

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

*Homer Welch*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Ernest C Moore*

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Harrell E. Helms*

Clerk of the Senate

*Donald L. Foy*

Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Keith Bartlett*

President of the Senate

*Robert C. Calvert*

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *30<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *March*, 1992.

*Yastin Caperton*  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date 3/19/92

Time 2:45 pm