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AN ACT to amend and reenact §61-3-45 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the theft of oil, natural gas, water, telecommunications and electric service; and increasing the maximum fine upon conviction.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §61-3-45 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY.

§61-3-45. Tampering with pipes, tubes, wires or electrical conductors; penalty.

1 Every person who, with intent to injure or defraud,
2 connects, or causes to be connected, any pipe, tube, wire,
3 electrical conductor or other instrument with any main,
4 service pipe, or other pipe or conduit or flume for conducting
5 water, or with any main, service pipe, or other pipe or conduit
6 for conducting oil, natural gas, or with any main, service wire
7 or other electric conductor used for the purpose of conducting
8 electric energy for light, heat or motive services, for the
9 purpose of taking therefrom water, oil, natural gas,
10 telecommunications service, or electric energy, without the
11 knowledge of the owner thereof and with intent to evade
12 payment therefor, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon
13 conviction thereof, shall be confined in jail not exceeding
14 twelve months, or fined not exceeding two thousand dollars,
15 or both, in the discretion of the court;

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



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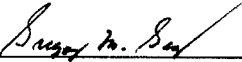
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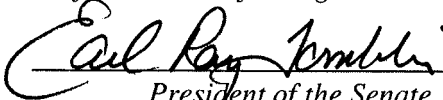
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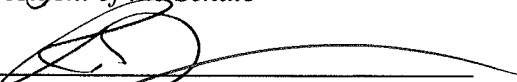
Clerk of the Senate



Clerk of the House of Delegates



President of the Senate



Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 2nd
day of April, 2007.



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