

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2023 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 3355

By Delegate Tully

[Introduced February 10, 2023; Referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated §61-3-17, relating to criminalizing the unlawful operation of a bulldozer or
3 heavy equipment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 3. CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY.

§61-3-17. Unlawful operation of a bulldozer or heavy equipment.

1 A person who unlawfully operates any bulldozer or heavy machinery of another with the
2 intention of depriving the other person of the bulldozer or heavy machinery, regardless of the
3 manner in which the bulldozer or heavy machinery is taken or appropriated, shall be guilty of a
4 misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in jail not more than one year or
5 fined not more than \$2,500, or both.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to is criminalize the unlawful operation of a bulldozer or heavy machinery.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.