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AN ACT to amend and reenact §19-18-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to including poultry among those domesticated farm animals or stock for which the owner shall be liable for damages caused by those animals when they enter on the property of another.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §19-18-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

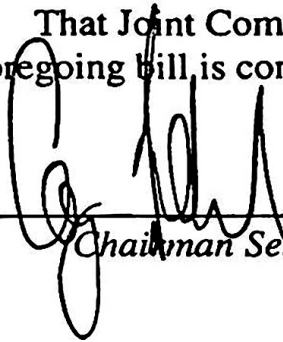
ARTICLE 18. GENERAL STOCK LAW.

§19-18-1. Stock trespassing on grounds of another; damages.

1 If any horse, mule, ass, jennet, cattle, sheep, swine,
2 poultry as defined in section two, article two-b of this chapter
3 or goat shall enter into any grounds, the owner or manager of
4 any such stock shall be liable to the owner or tenant of such
5 grounds for any damage he or she may sustain thereby, and
6 the party so injured may, if he or she find such stock on his

107 or her premises, impound them, or a sufficient number
8 thereof, subject to the provisions of sections eight, nine and
9 ten of this article, until such damages and costs of keeping
10 have been paid.

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



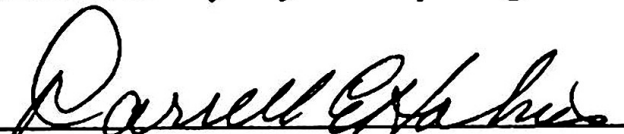
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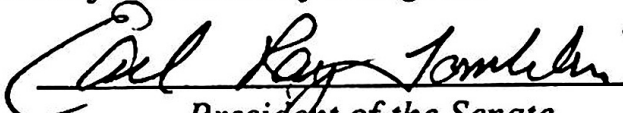
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Clerk of the Senate



Clerk of the House of Delegates



President of the Senate



Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 24th
day of April, 2009.



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