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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1486, L.D. 1087, Bill "An Act Concerning Medical Examiners."

Amend said bill by striking out all after the colon in section 1 thereof, and inserting in place^{thereof} the following:

'They shall make examinations, as hereinafter provided, ~~upon the view of the dead bodies of such persons only as are supposed to have come to their death by violence or unlawful act~~ whenever any person shall die from criminal violence, or by suicide, or in any suspicious or unusual manner.'

Further amend said bill by striking out all after the colon in section 2 thereof, and inserting in place^{thereof} the following:

'Whoever finds the body of any person, who may be supposed to have come to his death by ~~violence or unlawful act,~~ criminal violence, or by suicide, or in any suspicious or unusual manner, shall immediately notify one of the municipal officers, a police officer, or constable if in a city or town; or a member of the board of assessors if in a plantation; and if in an unorganized place, the most readily accessible of such officials in any city, town, or plantation within the county.'

Further amend said bill by striking out all after the colon in section 3 thereof, and inserting in place^{thereof} the following:

'Upon notice that there has been found or is lying within his county the body of a person who is supposed to have come to his death by ~~violence or unlawful act,~~ criminal violence, or by suicide, or in any suspicious or unusual manner, the medical examiner shall forthwith repair to the place where such body lies and take charge of the same, and before said body is removed, he shall reduce or cause to be reduced to writing a description of the location and position of the body and any and all facts that may be deemed important in determining the cause of death.'

Further amend said bill by striking out all after the colon in section 4 thereof, and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 263. Inquest when county attorney or attorney-general disagree with medical examiner. If a medical examiner reports that a death was not caused by ~~violence or unlawful act~~ criminal violence, or by suicide, or in any suspicious or unusual manner and the county attorney or attorney-general is of a contrary opinion,

nothing in sections 258 to 268, inclusive, shall be construed to prevent either of these officers directing an inquest in accordance with the provisions of these said sections.'

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Further amend said bill by striking out in the 7th line of that part designated as "Sec. 267." thereof, the underlined words and figures "not less than \$10 nor more than \$25" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '\$15' .

Further amend said bill in the 10th line of that part designated as "Sec. 267." thereof, by drawing a line through the figure "6¢", and inserting after the stricken-out figure "6¢" the underlined figure '10¢' .

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
REPORTED BY Mr. *Mills*
From Committee on JUDICIARY.

MAR 31 1947

READ AND ADOPTED
SENT UP FOR CONCURRENCE

W. H. Rouse
CLERK

In Senate Chamber,

APR 2 1947

READ AND ADOPTED, IN CONCURRENCE
CHESTER T. WINGLOW
SECRETARY

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