



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for February 29, 2024, 10:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on February 29, 2024, 10:00 AM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Woodrum, Barrett, Hamilton, Jeffries, Queen, Smith, Stuart, Swope, Weld

Members absent: Senators Hunt, Maroney, Phillips, Woelfel

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

H.B. 5569 – Requiring an appraiser to pay for a background check required by the AMC as a condition of being added to the AMCs panel of appraisers.

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Barrett, H.B. 5569 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 5690 – Creating a West Virginia Task Force on Artificial Intelligence

Angela Reese, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Jarred Cannon, Delegate, WV House of Delegates Committee on Artificial Intelligence, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Barrett, H.B. 5690 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 5348 – Changing the name of the “Raleigh County Recreation Authority” to the “Raleigh County Parks and Recreation Authority”

Angela Reese, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Barrett, H.B. 5348 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. On motion of Senator Barrett, the title amendment was adopted.

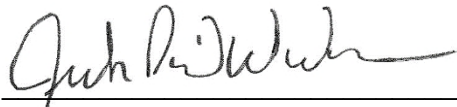
H.B. 5582 – Modifying exceptions for real estate appraisal licensure.

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Barrett, the strike and insert amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Barrett, H.B. 5582 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

H.B. 5161 – To create a “digital wallet” to keep all certifications/licensure accrued by the person in one place

Angela Reese, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, David Cook, General Counsel, WV Secretary of State, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Jimmy Willis, Delegate, WV House of Delegates, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. Senator Swope moved to amend the bill, it was put and adopted. Senator Queen moved to amend the bill. Senator Queen requested unanimous consent to withdraw his amendment. No objection was heard, and the amendment was withdrawn. On motion of Senator Barrett, H.B. 5161 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On Motion of Senator Barrett the committee adjourned.



Jack David Woodrum, Chair



Isabel Kinnison, Analyst/Clerk