



## West Virginia Senate

### Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for February 08, 2024, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on February 08, 2024, 3:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Trump, Weld, Azinger, Barrett, Caputo, Deeds, Hamilton, Hunt, Martin, Maynard, Rucker, Stuart, Swope, Taylor, Woelfel

Members absent: Senators Stover and Takubo

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

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

**S. B. 370 - Updating Public Employees Grievance Board procedure that certain decisions be appealed to Intermediate Court of Appeals.**

Gordon Mowen, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

The question being on agreeing to the committee substitute, the same was put, and the committee substitute was agreed to.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S. B. 581 - Requiring correctional facilities to provide free feminine hygiene products.**

Sierra Williams, Intern, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

The question being on agreeing to the committee substitute, the same was put, and the committee substitute was agreed to.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

**S. B. 632 - Relating to Dangerousness Assessment Advisory Board multi-disciplinary study group.**

Liz Schindzielorz, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, David Clayman, Ph.D., Chair, Dangerousness Assessment Advisory Board was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Colleen Lillard, Ph. D., Statewide Forensic Clinical Director was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

The question being on agreeing to the committee substitute, the same was put, and the committee substitute was agreed to.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S. B. 716 - Relating to child support.**

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

The question being on agreeing to the committee substitute, the same was put, and the committee substitute was agreed to.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S. B. 679 - Regulating certain plant-based derivatives, hemp-derived cannabinoid products, and Kratom.**

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Lora Walker, General Counsel, West Virginia Department of Agriculture, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Anoop Bhasin, General Counsel, West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Administration, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

The question being on agreeing to the committee substitute, the same was put, and the committee substitute was agreed to.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On Motion of Senator Trump the committee adjourned.



Ryan W. Weld  
Chair



Beverly Douglas  
Analyst/Clerk

The Senate of West Virginia



Testimony taken this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024, in  
the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be  
the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me  
God."

David Clayman

[Handwritten Signature]

Print Witness Name

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Ryan W. Weld

Print Member Name

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Sign Member Name

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Colleen Lillard

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Lara Walker

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