



West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for February 16, 2024, 11:30 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on February 16, 2024, 11:30 AM in Room 208-W.

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

Members absent: None

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. 575 - Assisted Reproduction Act.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, responded to questions regarding the proposed committee substitute for committee substitute.

Senator Trump moved to amend the committee substitute for committee substitute on page 2, section 3, subdivision (1), line 2 after the word "state", by striking the semicolon and inserting in lieu thereof a period, and striking the remainder of subdivision (1).

Senator Trump reformed his amendment to insert the words "or contract must provide that West Virginia law applies".

Prior to action being taken, Senator Trump withdrew his reformed amendment.

The same was put and the amendment was adopted.

Senator Caputo moved to substitute a study resolution on the subject, in lieu of further action by the committee on the bill. Senator Rucker proposed a friendly amendment to insert a specific date to report the findings.

Prior to action being taken, Senator Caputo withdrew the motion.

On motion of Senator Takubo the committee moved the committee substitute for committee substitute to a subcommittee. Chairman Weld appointed Senators Takubo, Rucker, and Caputo to the subcommittee.

H. B. 5295 - Authorizing a private outdoor designated area to simultaneously host multiple qualified permit holders.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed strike and insert and title amendment, and responded to questions.

Senator Trump moved to adopt the strike and insert amendment.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee adopted the strike and insert amendment.

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

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee adopted the title amendment.

On Motion of Senator Trump the committee adjourned.



Ryan W. Weld
Chair



Beverly Douglas
Analyst/Clerk