



West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for March 06, 2024, 10:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on March 06, 2024, 10:00 AM in Room 208-W.

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

Members absent: Senators Swope 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.

H. B. 5084 - Require retailers to verify identification and age upon purchase of vape products.

Debra Graham, 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 Stuart, the committee amended the strike and insert amendment on page 7, section 7, line 10, by striking the number "21" and inserting in lieu thereof the number "18".

On motion of Senator Stuart the committee amended the strike and insert amendment on page 7, by striking subdivisions (1) and (2) and renumbering subdivision (3).

Senator Stuart moved to amend the strike and insert amendment on page 8, subsection (c), line 37, by striking everything from the proviso through the end of line 45. The same was put and the motion was rejected.

On motion of Senator Stuart, the committee amended the strike and insert amendment on page 8, section heading 8, by striking the words "vapor products".

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

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 Trump, the committee adopted the title amendment.

H. B. 4700 - Banning certain persons from sport wagering activities.

Debra Graham, 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 amended the strike and insert amendment on pages 3 and 4, beginning on line 13, by restoring the language in subsection (d), and adding the following at the beginning of the sentence: "Until such time as a rule proposed by the commission is approved for promulgation by the legislature," , and then restoring the remaining lettering of the subsections.

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

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 Trump, the committee adopted the title amendment.

H. B. 4999 - Creating exception to spousal privilege.

J. A. Curia, Counsel, explained the bill, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Trump, the committee recommended the bill for passage.

Senator Weld moved **H. B. 4786** to the afternoon agenda.

On Motion of Senator Trump the committee adjourned.



Ryan W. Weld
Chair



Beverly Douglas
Analyst/Clerk