



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Banking and Insurance

Minutes for March 11, 2025, 1:40 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Banking and Insurance met on March 11, 2025, 12:00 AM, in the House Finance Committee Room 460-M.

Members present: Delegates Barnhart, Ellington, Fehrenbacher, Hall, Hott, Jeffries, Linville, Riley, Rohrbach, Williams.

Members absent: None.

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

On motion of Delegate Hall, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Markup and Passage

HB2963 - To ensure that the survivor of a merger, reorganization, purchase, or assumption of liabilities of a bank chartered by West Virginia is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Alice Chakmakian, House Finance Counsel, was recognized to explain the bill.

There being no questions, Vice-Chairman Hall moved committee substitute for H.B. 2963 be reported out of the subcommittee on Banking and Insurance to the floor with recommendation that it do pass but first to the committee on Finance. The motion carried.

HB2889 - To permit a fairness hearing exemption to the registration requirements of the Uniform Securities Act.

Alice Chakmakian, House Finance Counsel, was recognized to explain the bill.

There being no questions, Vice-Chairman Hall moved committee substitute for H.B. 2889 be reported out of the subcommittee on Banking and Insurance to the floor with recommendation that it do pass but first to the committee on Finance. The motion carried.

VI. Committee Hearing

HB3088 - Increase to minimum of \$2000 as the amount recoverable by fire companies from homeowners insurance policies for response to fire call.

Bill Sponsor Delegate Rohrbach was called to speak to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

Erin Hunter, Deputy Counsel for the West Virginia Insurance Commissioner's Office was sworn in under oath by the Chairman. Ms. Hunter spoke to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

The Hearing stage of the bill is complete.

HB2785 - To provide for transparency of the expenditure of dental health care plan premiums.

Bill Sponsor Delegate Hott was called to speak to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

Joy Lynn Fix, Life and Health Director for the West Virginia Insurance Commissioner's Office was sworn in under oath by the Chairman. Ms. Fix spoke to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

Hallie Mason, Executive Director of the West Virginia Dental Association, was sworn in under oath by the Chairman. Ms. Mason spoke to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

The Hearing stage of the bill is complete.

HB3084 - Creating the Oral Health and Cancer Rights Act.

Bill Sponsor Delegate Rohrbach was called to speak to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

The Hearing stage of the bill is complete.

HB3085 - Oral health cancer rights.

Bill Sponsor Delegate Rohrbach was called to speak to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

The Hearing stage of the bill is complete.

HB3142 - Allowing health benefit plan sponsors to communicate electronically with covered persons.

Bill Sponsor Delegate Akers was called to speak to the bill.

Questions by members were asked of the presenter.

The Hearing stage of the bill is complete.

On Motion of Delegate Hall the committee adjourned.

Trenton Barnhart
Committee Chair

Steve Young
House Finance Clerk