



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Economic Development

Minutes for February 26, 2025, 6:05 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Economic Development met on February 26, 2025, 6:05 PM, in the House Education Committee Room 432-M.

Members present: Delegates Campbell, D. Cannon, DeVault, Howell, Lucas, Maynor, Moore, Parsons.

Members absent: Delegates Green, Steele, Street, Young.

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

The next order of business was to present bills in the **Committee Hearing** phase.

H. B. 2393, Relating to requiring certain reporting from the Mountaineer Trail Network Authority each year.

- Sponsor Howell explained the bill and called for questions from the members. Hearing none, Chairman Howell declared the bill advanced to the Markup/Discussion phase.

H. B. 2451, To facilitate the creation of home-based businesses.

- Sponsor Hornby explained the bill and called for questions from the members.
- Questions and discussion followed.
- Chairman Howell declared the bill advanced to the Markup/Discussion phase

Next, Chairman Howell called for **Presentations**.

- WV Real Estate Division – Executive Director Arlie Hubbard
 - Sworn in by Chairman Howell.
 - Provided overview of the Division.
 - Explained the process of buying/selling property and challenges associated with the process.
 - Questions and discussion followed.
- WV Dept. of Transportation, Division of Highways – Right of Way Director Chad Toney
 - Sworn in by Chairman Howell.
 - Provided overview of rules, process, and time frame examples to obtain property.
 - Provided information about training employees to be in-house appraisers.
 - Reported that the Division is developing software to aid in property management.

- Questions and discussion followed.
- Chairman Howell made a request of obtaining an available property list be provided to the committee.

With there being no further business to come for the Committee, Chairman Howell looked to Vice-Chairman DeVault for the purpose of making a motion. On Motion of Vice Chairman DeVault the committee adjourned at 6:28pm.

Gary Howell
Committee Chair

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