



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Education

Minutes for February 25, 2025, 1:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Education met on February 25, 2025, 1:00 PM, in the House Education Committee Room 432-M.

Members present: Delegates Barnhart, Campbell, Chiarelli, T. Clark, Coop-Gonzalez, Crouse, Ellington, Garcia, Hamilton, Hornby, Jennings, Kimble, Mallow, Miller, Pritt, Pushkin, Shamblin, Statler, Stephens, Toney, Ward, B., White, Willis

Members absent: Delegate Dittman, Vance.

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

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

First Item on the Agenda is consideration HB 2479. Melissa White, Committee Counsel, explained HB 2479- Relating to Management and Control of county authority vested in board. Vice chair Statler made the motion that HB 2479 was moved House Floor with recommendation that it do pass but first be recommended to the committee on Energy and Public Works. Motion was adopted.

Next item on the Agenda is Committee Substitute for HB 2164 – To allow for public and private schools in West Virginia to employ security personnel. Aaron Kidd, Committee Counsel, presented changes to the bill. Amendment was brought forth from Delegate Pushkin and explained the amendment. The Amendment was debated with Vice Chair Statler. Delegate Pushkin made closing arguments on his amendment. Amendment was rejected. Vice Chair moved Committee substitute move the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass but first be moved to the committee on Judiciary. Motion was adopted.

The final item on the Agenda is Committee Substitute for HB 2515- Relating to elementary behavior intervention and safety. Aaron Kid, Committee Counsel, presented the Committee Substitute for HB 2515. Questions on Committee Substitute HB 2515 came from Delegates Crouse, Hamilton, Pushkin. No amendments were brought forth. Vice Chair Statler moved that Committee Substitute for HB 2515 move to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Chair asked if there was discussion on the motion Delegate Statler, Pushkin, Hamilton, and Hornby spoke to the bill. Motion was adopted.

On Motion of Delegate Statler the committee adjourned.

Joe Ellington

Committee Chair

Stephanie Curry

Assistant Committee Clerk