



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Education

Minutes for March 14, 2025, 12:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Education met on March 14, 2025, 12:00 AM, in the House Education Committee Room 432-M.

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

Members absent: Delegates Pritt, Shamblin, Toney.

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 on the Agenda Markup and Passage

Com. Sub. for [HB2548](#) Presented by Morgan Miller- To bring the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) under rulemaking review of the Legislature. No Questions were asked. No amendments were brought forward. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB2548 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

Com. Sub. for [HB2755](#) Presented by Melissa White- To provide that the West Virginia Board of Education may promulgate rules or policies to be submitted to the Legislature for review. Questions were asked by Delegates Pushkin, Willis, Kimble. No amendments were brought forward. Discussions came from Delegates Pushkin and Willis. Roll call was called with 16 yeas, 3 nays and 6 members absent. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB2755 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

[HB2773](#) Presented by Kylie Webber Committee Counsel - Higher Ed Rules No amendments were brought forward. Discussions came from Delegates Hornby. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB2773 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

[HB3024](#) Presented by Kylie Webber Committee Counsel - Guaranteed course transfer bill one amendment was brought forward. Amendment was adopted. No Questions were asked. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB3024 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

Com. Sub. for [HB3150](#) Presented by Melissa White - Health Science and Medical Student Loan Programs. No amendments were brought forward. Discussions came from Delegates Ellington. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB 3150 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

Com. Sub. for [HB3192](#) Presented by Melissa White - To repeal obsolete, conflicting or inoperative provisions of code that pertain to higher education No amendments were brought forward. No questions were asked. Vice chair was recognized for a motion to move HB 3192 to the House Floor with recommendation that it do pass. Motion adopted.

V. Committee Hearing

Com. Sub. for [HB2003](#) Presented by Katie Franklin Deputy Secretary to the Governor - Prohibiting Cell phones in class. Questions were raised by Delegates Hornby, Kimble, Statler, Campbell, Crouse, Vance, Dittman. David Gladkosky spoke on the bill. HB 2003 was advanced to mark up and discussion.

[HB2760](#) Presented by Delegate Hornby - To allow for the implementation of Educational Software in West Virginia public schools. Questions came from Delegates Vance, Dittman, Kimble HB 2760 was advanced to mark up and discussion.

[HB2897](#) Presented by Delegate Ellington- Permitting the Legislative Auditor to conduct periodic performance and financial audits of the West Virginia Department of Education. Questions came from Delegates Pushkin. HB 2897 was advanced to markup and discussion.

[HB3099](#) Presented by Delegate Statler - Permitting law enforcement to issue a citation when students are caught with nicotine in schools. HB 3099 was advanced to markup and discussion.

[HB3125](#) Presented by Delegate Barnhart- To remove restrictions from teachers receiving permanent teaching licenses. Questions came from Delegates Ward, Stephens, Hamilton Pushkin, Ellington, Statler. HB 3125 was advanced to markup and discussion.

[HB3166](#) Presented by Delegate Hornby - Requirements for School Safety Mapping Data. HB 3166 was moved to mark up and discussion. Questions came from Delegate Pushkin, Stephens, Kimble, White HB 3166 was advanced to markup and discussion.

On Motion of Delegate Statler the committee adjourned.

Joe Ellington

Committee Chair

Stephanie Curry

Assistant Committee Clerk