



West Virginia House of Delegates

Committee on Environment, Infrastructure, and Technology

Minutes for March 13, 2025, 5:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Committee on Environment, Infrastructure, and Technology met on March 13, 2025, 5:00 PM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Bridges, Dillon, Eldridge, Green, Hansen, Hillenbrand, Holstein, Linville, Moore, Parsons.

Members absent: Delegates Cannon.

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

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

The next order of business is a bill on Markup and Passage.

H. B. 2736, Relating generally to Underground Facilities Damage prevention.

Counsel explained the bill.

Questions and discussion followed.

The Chairman looked to the Vice-Chairman for a motion.

Upon motion from the Vice-Chairman to move the bill to the standing committee with the recommendation that it do pass, the motion was adopted.

The next order of business are bills on the Committee Hearing stage.

H. B. 2609, Limiting teen access to inappropriate material.

The Chairman explained that due to the popularity and the amount of feedback, the Chairman would like to convert this bill into a study resolution for Interims. The Chairman recognized the bill sponsor to explain the bill.

Afterwards, the bill was moved to Markup and Passage with the intention to convert it to a study resolution.

H. B. 3170, Approved sewage systems for rental property.

The Sponsor (Green) explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Delegate Moore requested leave of the committee for an industry comment and testimony by Charlotte Lane from the WV PSC. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chairman looked to the Vice-Chairman for a motion. Upon motion from the Vice-Chairman to move the bill to the Markup and discussion phase.

H. B. 3121, Relating to the orphan roads and bridges program.

The Chairman asked for unanimous consent to suspend the rules in order to present the bill in place of the Sponsor who is presenting in another committee.

Chairman Linville explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Delegate Green requested leave of the committee for industry comment and testimony by Jacob Bumgarner, Chief Engineer, WV DOT.
Afterwards, the Chairman the moved the bill to Markup and Passage.

H. B. 2645, Requiring certain non-discretionary procedures be strictly complied with by the West Virginia Parkways Authority before tolls, rents, fees or charges may be increased. Being that the Sponsor could not be present for the meeting to present the bill, the Chairman made the decision to hold over the bill until the next meeting.

The next item was an **Originating Bill** having to do with PSC Operations.

Delegate Dillon explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. There were two leave of committee requests to hear from WV PSC and WV Rural Water Authority. Questions of each presenter were followed by discussion. The Chairman then declared the bill will be moved to the Markup / Passage stage.

The final order of business was to hear from Zack Smith, Director of Government Relations from CNX Research. Following the presentation, questions and discussion followed.

With no further business to come before the committee. The Chairman Looked to the Vice-Chairman for a motion.

On Motion of Delegate Hillenbrand the committee adjourned.

Daniel Linville
Committee Chair

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