



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works

Minutes for March 06, 2025, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works met on March 06, 2025, 3:00 PM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Anderson B., Campbell, Cannon, DeVault, Dillon, Eldridge, Fehrenbacher, Green, Hansen, Hillenbrand, Holstein, Howell, Linville, Lucas, Moore, Parsons, Riley, Sheedy, Sr., Street, Young, Zatezalo.

Members absent: Delegates Bridges, Crouse, Maynor, Steele.

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

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

As the next order of business, Chairman Anderson called for reports of the Sub-Committee on Honorary Naming Resolutions and recognized Delegate Hillenbrand as Chairman of the Sub-Committee on the Honorary Naming Resolutions. Delegate Hillenbrand provided the following report:

The Sub-Committee on Honorary Naming Resolutions has had under consideration House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45 and reports the same back, with the recommendation they each be adopted by the full committee.

House Concurrent Resolution 5 William Bill Harrison Lowther Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 6 Private Sidney Washington Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 7 U.S. Army Pfc John Wesley Meadows Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 8 PFC Lester E. Maynard Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 9 Robert S. Pomeroy Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 10 USMC PFC Robert Thomas Taylor Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 11 Thomas A. Azinger Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 12 Charles Charlie Goff Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 13 Corporal James E. Jackley Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 15 US Marines PFC Delbert Carles Roles Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 18 Paul J. Hofe Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 20 Tustin Brothers Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 21 U. S. Army Private Terry F. Tustin Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 22 James M. Ellis Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 23 US Army PFC Calvin E. Spade Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 24 Postlethwait Brothers Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 25 Waynesburg Pike Road PEND H COMM EPW 2025-02-14

House Concurrent Resolution 26 Jimmy M. Hutchison Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 27 BG Edmund Frank Roleff, WVNG Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 28 Frank Lee Maddy Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 29 Sheriff Jeremy Taylor Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 31 U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Quewanncoll Que Stephens, Sr. Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 32 U. S. Army PVT Leon Deacon Stover Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 34 U. S. Merchant Marine Joseph Ward Teter Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 35 U.S. Air Force Thomas M. Oxley Memorial Road

House Concurrent Resolution 36 US. Marine Corps PFC Darrel Lee Burgess Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 37 CPT Ray Leslie Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 39 Gold Star Mother Catherine Blake Highway

House Concurrent Resolution 42 U.S. Army Corporal Kenneth H. Tinsley Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 44 Corporal Charles W. Wolfe Memorial Bridge

House Concurrent Resolution 45 Charlotte Denise Seymour Hill Memorial Bridge

Honorary Naming Resolutions

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for the purpose of making a motion. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved for House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45 to be reported to the floor with the recommendation that they each be adopted, but that they first be referred to the Committee on Rules. Chairman Anderson called for discussion on the motion. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and the House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45 would be reported as moved.

Committee Substitute for House Bill 2233, Authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate legislative rules.

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved for the committee to consider the proposed committee substitute in lieu of the introduced version. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on the adoption of the motion. The motion was adopted and the committee proceeded to consideration of the committee substitute. Chairman Anderson recognized committee counsel, Robert Akers, for purposes of explaining the committee substitute. Chairman Anderson called for questions of counsel. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Anderson called for amendments to the committee substitute.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Fehrenbacher for the purpose of calling for an amendment. Delegate Fehrenbacher explained the proposed amendment. Chairman Anderson called for questions to the amendment made by Delegate Fehrenbacher. Questions from the committee members followed.

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion for the adoption of the proposed amendment by Delegate Fehrenbacher. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on the adoption of the motion. The motion was adopted and the committee substitute was amended.

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for the purposes of making a motion. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved to report the Committee Substitute for House Bill 2233 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended. Chairman Anderson called for discussion on the motion. Discussion by the committee members followed. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and the committee substitute, as amended, would be reported as moved.

House Bill 3030, Administration of the West Virginia Water Pollution Control Act.

Chairman Anderson recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of counsel. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson called for amendments to the bill. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved that House Bill 3030 be reported to the floor, with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Anderson called for discussion on the motion. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and the bill would be reported as moved.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 358, Authorizing Department of Transportation to promulgate legislative rules.

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved for the committee to consider the proposed committee substitute in lieu of the introduced version. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on the adoption of the motion. The motion was adopted and the committee proceeded to consideration of the committee substitute.

Chairman Anderson recognized committee counsel, Brian Casto, for purposes of explaining the committee substitute. Chairman Anderson called for questions of counsel. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson called for amendments to the committee substitute. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion for the adoption of committee substitute.

Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved to report the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 358 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Anderson called for discussion on the motion. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on the adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and the committee substitute would be reported as moved.

House Bill 2002, Establishing One Stop Shop Permitting Process.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Sean Whelan, General Counsel, West Virginia Office of the Governor, as the lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Mr. Whelan. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

House Bill 2156, Relating to time limits imposed on the Division of Highways to grant a highway entrance permit.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Howell as the lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Delegate Howell. Questions from the committee members followed. Delegate Linville, as sponsor to the amendment, explained the amendment. With leave of the committee and having been previously placed under oath by Chairman Anderson, Sarah Runyon, Chief Engineer Deputy, West Virginia Division of Highways, answered questions from the committee members. Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

House Bill 2742, Relating to creating limited waiver from certificate of public convenience and necessity requirement for certain water or sewer services projects.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Riley as the lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Delegate Riley. Questions from the committee members followed. With leave of the committee and having been placed under oath by Chairman Anderson, Charlotte Lane, Chairman, West Virginia Public Service Commission, answered questions from the committee members. Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

House Bill 2987, Relating to the Consumer Data Protection Act.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Linville as the lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Delegate Linville. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for the purpose of making a motion for reconsideration of House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45.

Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved for reconsideration of House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45 to be before the committee in the Committee Hearing phase. Chairman Anderson called for discussion on the motion. Discussion by the committee members followed. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45 will be reconsidered by the committee.

Chairman Anderson recognized committee counsel, Daniel Baker, for the purpose of explaining the House Concurrent Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, and 45. Chairman Anderson called for questions of counsel. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

On Motion of Delegate Zatezalo the committee adjourned.

E.W. Anderson B.
Committee Chair

Mari Humphrey
Committee Clerk