



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works

Minutes for March 11, 2025, 3:16 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works met on March 11, 2025, 3:16 PM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

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

Members absent: Delegates Green, 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.

The next item on the agenda was a report from the Subcommittee on Economic Development. House Bills 2800 and 3072 were reported back by Delegate Howell with a committee substitute for each, with the recommendation that each do pass. The Chairman advised that the report will be received.

The next item on the agenda are bills on the Markup / Passage phase beginning with a Committee Substitute on House Bill 2393. Counsel explained the committee substitute. There were no questions or discussion of Counsel. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for the Committee Substitute for House Bill 2393 be reported to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda is House Bill 2479. Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for House Bill 2479 be reported to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda is House Bill 2835. Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. At the request of the bill Sponsor, Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for House Bill 2835 be laid over until the next meeting so that an amendment can be created. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda is House Bill 2856. Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Delegate Linville offered an amendment to the bill. After Delegate Linville explained the amendment, question and discussion followed. The Chairman then motioned for the adoption of the amendment. After a voice vote, the motion was adopted. Hearing no further amendments or discussion, Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for House Bill 2856 be reported to the floor, as amended, with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda is House Bill 3135. Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Delegate Bridges offered an amendment to the bill. After Delegate Bridges explained the amendment, question and discussion followed. The Chairman then motioned for the adoption of the amendment. After a voice vote, the motion was adopted. Hearing no further amendments or discussion, Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for House Bill 3135 be reported to the floor, as amended, with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda is House Bill 3146. Counsel explained the bill. No questions or discussion followed. Vice-Chairman Zatezalo motioned for House Bill 3146 be reported to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. The Chairman put the question before the Committee and the motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda are bills on the Committee Hearing phase beginning with House Bill 2960. The sponsor (Delegate McCormick) explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Delegate requested leave of committee to hear testimony from industry representative, Chief Engineer Jacob Bumgarner with the WV DOT. Questions and discussion followed. No further action was taken on the bill.

Due to time constraints and on motion from Vice-Chairman Zatezalo, the committee adjourned.

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Committee Chair

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