



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for March 11, 2025, 4:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 11, 2025, 4:00 PM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Amos, Anders, Burkhammer, Chiarelli, Clark, Drennan, Hall, Hamilton, Heckert, Hite, Jeffries, Lewis, Masters, Mazzocchi, Petitto, Pushkin, Pinson, Rohrbach, Smith, Stephens, Vance, Willis, Worrell.

Members absent: Delegates Dean, Miller.

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

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

Vice Chair Hite moved HB 2358 - Relating to postmortem examinations. Chair Worrell recognized Counsel to explain HB 2358. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Chair Worrell called for amendments, there being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved HB 2358 to be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Hite moved Com Sub for HB 2172 Relating to adding an athletic trainer to the Board of Physical Therapy (2nd REF GO). Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Chair Worrell called for amendments, there being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved HB 2172 to be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first it be referred to the Committee on Government Organization. Motion carried. (A dispense of 2nd reference has been requested).

Hearing :

Chair Worrell recognized Delegate Hornby to explain, HB 2409 - Hospital Price Transparency Act (2nd REF JUD). Delegate Hornby answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and reminded Jim Kaufman, CEO, President, Hospital Association he has previously been sworn in. Mr. Kaufman answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and swore in Joe Deacon, ** Mr. Deacon answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell advanced HB 2409 to markup.

Chair Worrell recognized Delegate Statler to explain HB 2797 - Relating to who may diagnose post-traumatic stress disorder as a compensable injury or disease under workers compensation ((2nd REF FIN). Delegate Statler answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and swore in Juliet Terry, representing Wheeling Firefighters. Ms. Terry answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and swore in Virgil C. White and

T.W. Hindman, Professional Fire Fighters. Mr. White and Mr. Hindman answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell advanced HB 2797 to markup.

On Motion of Delegate Hite the committee adjourned.

Evan Worrell

Committee Chair

Martha White

Administrator/ Clerk