



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for March 20, 2025, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 20, 2025, 3:00 PM, in the House East Wing Committee Room 215-E.

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

Members absent: Delegates Heckert, Smith, Willis.

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.

Hearing:

Chair Worrell recognized Delegate Pinson to explain Com Sub for HB 3382 - Addressing the placement of foster children and creating a central reception center and emergency resource homes (2nd REF FIN) (Pinson). Delegate Pinson answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and swore in Mark Drennan, National Youth Advocate Program. Mr. Drennan answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized and swore in Lorie Bragg, Interim Commissioner, Bureau for Social Services. Trying to eliminate placing children in hotels due to a lack of foster care placements, Ms. Bragg answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell advanced HB 3382 to markup.

Markup/Passage:

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2377 - Relating to child welfare (2nd REF JUD). Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. There being no questions and no amendments. Vice Chair Hite moved Com Sub for 2377 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first be referred to the Judiciary. Motion carried. (2nd reference to the Judiciary has been dispensed).

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for Com Sub for HB 2027 - Relating to changing circumstances for when a child may be removed from a foster home. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Counsel answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell called for amendments. There being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved com Sub for com Sub for HB 2027 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2880 - Relating to parent resource navigators. Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2880. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. There being no questions and no amendments. Vice Chair

Hite moved Com Sub for 2880 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2503 - Relating to necessity allowance. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Chair Worrell called for amendments. There being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved Com Sub for HB 2503 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first be referred to the committee on Finance. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain HB 3344 - Relating to the establishment of a grant program to fund the United States Food and Drug Administration's drug development trials with ibogaine. Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain HB 3344. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. There being no questions and no amendments. Vice Chair Hite moved HB 3344 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 3343 - Relating to drugs and adding a provision relating to the scheduling of crystalline polymorph psilocybin approved by the Food and Drug Administration. Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 3343. Chair called for questions of counsel. There being no questions Chair Worrell called for amendments. Delegate Pushkin moved to amend. Division was called and by a 6 - yeas and 13 no vote, the amendment was rejected. Vice Chair Hite moved HB 3343 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

On Motion of Delegate Hite the committee adjourned.

Evan Worrell

Committee Chair

Martha White

Administrator/Clerk