



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for March 25, 2025, 3:30 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 25, 2025, 3:30 PM, in the House East Wing Committee Room 215-E.

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

Members absent: Delegates Dean, Rohrbach, Smith.

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.

Chair Worrell recognized Delegate Clark, W. to explain HB 3487 - Providing that small format, micro hospitals are exempt from certificate of need review. Delegate Clark answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell recognized Jim Kaufman, President/CEO, Hospital Association. Mr. Kaufman answered questions of the committee. Chair Worrell advanced HB 3487 to markup.

Chair Hite recognized Delegate Worrell to explain HB 3444 - Relating to inflammation of the eyes of newborns. Delegate Worrell answered questions of the committee. Chair Hite advanced HB 3444 to markup.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2409 - Health Care Transparency. (2nd REF JUD). Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Chair Worrell called for amendments. There being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite move for com sub for HB 2409 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first it be referred to the Judiciary. Motion carried. (request of 2nd reference to be dispensed)

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Motion carried. HB 2575 - Relating to the establishment of a full-time Dementia Services Director position. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Chair Worrell called for amendments. There being no amendments, Vice Chair Hite move for com sub for HB 2409 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first it be referred to the committee on Finance. Delegate Pushkin moved to amend the recommendation of a second reference. Motion carried. Vice Chair Hite moved HB 2575 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain Com Sub for HB 2780 - Providing any employee working 20 hours or more per week in a licensed child care center or certified family child care (FCC) home is eligible for a child care subsidy, regardless of their household income (2nd REF FIN). 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 move for com sub for HB 2780 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first it be referred to the Finance. Motion carried.

On Motion of Delegate Hite the committee adjourned.

Evan Worrell

Committee Chair

Martha White

Administrator/Clerk