



# West Virginia House of Delegates

## Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for March 27, 2025, 3:30 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 27, 2025, 3:30 PM, in the House East Wing Committee Room 215-E.

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

Members absent: Delegates Dean, Drennan, 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.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain HB 2133 - Clarifying that the time limitations provided for filing occupational pneumoconiosis claims do not apply or otherwise limit the ability of a claimant to obtain an evaluation from the Occupational Pneumoconiosis Board (2nd REF JUD). There being no questions of counsel or amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved HB 2133 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass, but first be referred to the Judiciary. Motion carried.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain HB 3487 - Providing that small format, micro hospitals are exempt from certificate of need review. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. Counsel answered questions of the committee. Vice Chair Hite moved Com Sub for HB 3487 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion rejected.

Chair Worrell recognized counsel to explain com sub for HB 3444 - Relating to inflammation of the eyes of newborns. Counsel explained. Chair Worrell called for questions of counsel. There being no questions of counsel or amendments, Vice Chair Hite moved HB 3444 be reported to the floor with the recommendation it do pass. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous business, Chair Worrell addressed the committee to say he was send a letter to the House Finance Committee, Chair Vernon Criss, regarding the SNAP Stretch Program to formally request consideration and support in funding the West Virginia Department of Agriculture's request of \$360,000 for the SNAP Stretch Program in the upcoming state budget. The letter is being sent from the House Committee on Health and Human Resources as a whole, along with other letters of support from AARP and Food and Farm Coalition.

On Motion of Delegate Hite the committee adjourned.

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Evan Worrell

Committee Chair

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Martha White

Administrator/Clerk