



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for March 21, 2025, 9:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on the Judiciary met on Friday, March 21, 2025, at 9:00 AM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room with Delegate Akers in the Chair.

Members present: Delegates Butler, Ferrell, Fluharty, Funkhouser, Hansen, Heckert, Hillenbrand, Holstein, Hornby, Jennings, Kelly, D., Kump, Mallow, Marple, Maynor, Phillips, Ridenour, Roop, Shamblin, Ward, B., Zatezalo, and Chairman Akers.

Members absent: Delegates Flanigan, Kimble, Martin.

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

On motion of Vice-Chairman Maynor, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 22, Applying penalties for nonpayment of royalties under terms of oil and natural gas leases

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the committee substitute. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel. Chairman Akers called for amendments to the committee substitute. Hearing none, Chairman Akers recognized Vice-Chairman Maynor for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Maynor moved to report Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 22 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Akers called for discussion on the motion. Chairman Akers put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion to report the bill. The motion was adopted and Chairman Akers ordered the bill to be reported as moved.

House Bill 3434, Relating to the controlled substance schedules and to clean-up errors identified in the code sections

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel. Chairman Akers called for amendments to the bill. Hearing none, Chairman Akers recognized Vice-Chairman Maynor for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Maynor moved to report House Bill 3434 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Akers called for discussion on the motion. Chairman Akers put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion to report the bill. The motion was adopted and Chairman Akers ordered the bill to be reported as moved.

House Bill 3456, Relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding Stevens Correctional Center

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel. Chairman Akers called for amendments to the bill. Hearing none, Chairman Akers recognized Vice-Chairman Maynor for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Maynor moved to report House Bill 3456 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Akers called for discussion on the motion. Chairman Akers put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion to report the bill. The motion was adopted and Chairman Akers ordered the bill to be reported as moved.

House Bill 3016, Photo voter ID and noncitizen Licenses

Chairman Akers recognized Vice-Chairman Maynor for purposes of making a motion. Vice-Chairman Maynor moved for the committee to consider the proposed committee substitute for the bill. Chairman Akers called for discussion on the motion. Chairman Akers put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion for consideration of the proposed committee substitute. The motion was adopted and the committee proceeded to consideration of the proposed committee substitute.

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the proposed committee substitute. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Akers recognized Vice-Chairman Maynor for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Maynor moved for the bill to lie over for one day. Chairman Akers called for discussion on the motion. Discussion from the committee members followed. Chairman Akers put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion for the bill to lie over for one day. The motion was adopted and the bill shall lie over.

On Motion of Vice-Chairman Maynor, the committee adjourned.

Delegate JB Akers
Committee Chair

Mr. Daniel Osborne
Senior Clerk