



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for April 01, 2025, 9:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on the Judiciary met on Tuesday, April 01, 2025, at 9:00 AM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room with Delegate Akers in the Chair.

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

Members absent: Delegates Fluharty, Hillenbrand, Phillips, Roop.

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 50, Requiring municipal elections to be held on same day as statewide elections

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the committee substitute. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel. Questions from the committee members followed. 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 50 to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. 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 to report the bill. The motion was adopted and Chairman Akers ordered the bill to be reported as moved.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 270, Declaring sale and manufacture of firearms essential business during declared emergency

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel regarding the bill. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Akers advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

Senate Bill 257, Providing protection for property owner when someone visiting private cemetery causes damage to property

Chairman Akers recognized counsel for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Akers called for questions of counsel regarding the bill. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Akers advanced the bill to markup and discussion.

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

Delegate JB Akers
Committee Chair

Mr. Daniel Osborne
Senior Clerk