



# West Virginia House of Delegates

## Subcommittee on Legal Services

**Minutes for February 24, 2025, 10:00 AM**

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Legal Services met on February 24, 2025, 10:00 AM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Butler, Flanigan, Hansen, Holstein, Hornby, Kimble, Marple, Maynor, Ridenour, Roop

Members absent: None

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

On motion of Delegate Holstein, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The agenda proceeded to bills on markup and passage, starting with House Bill 2117, "Relating to when Mail In Ballots are Due." Counsel provided an explanation of the bill, followed by an opportunity for questions or amendments from the committee. The Vice-Chair then moved that House Bill 2117 be reported to the Standing Committee on the Judiciary.

The motion was presented by Chair Kimble, and with no discussion offered by the members, it went to a voice vote. The AYES prevailed, and Chair Kimble declared the motion adopted, directing House Bill 2117 to be reported to the Standing Committee on the Judiciary.

The next item on the agenda was committee hearings. The first bill was House Bill 2683 To prohibit rank choice voting. The Chair recognized the bill sponsor, Delegate Hillenbrand to explain the bill. After question of the Delegate, Chair Kimble called David Cook, General Counsel to the WV Secretary of State's Office who also answered questions. The Chair then advanced consideration of the bill to the markup and passage stage.

The next committee hearing was held for House Bill 2702 - Relating to vacancies in offices of state officials. The Chair recognized the bill co-sponsor, Delegate Maynor to explain the bill. After questions of the sponsor, the Chair advanced consideration of the bill to the markup and passage stage.

On Motion of Delegate Holstein the committee adjourned.

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Laura Kimble

Committee Chair

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Drew Constable

Clerk