



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for March 17, 2025, 9:30 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on March 17, 2025, 9:30 AM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Rucker, Woodrum, Barrett, Chapman, Charnock, Hamilton, Helton, Jeffries, Maynard, Rose, Thorne, Willis

Members absent: Senators Phillips, Woelfel

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

On motion of Senator Jeffries, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

S.C.R 15- Opposing China's use of UN Resolution 2758 against Taiwan

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the resolution and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, S.C.R. 15 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Com. Sub. For S.B. 601- Relating to fees and charges for municipality-provided fire services

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Jerry Marco, Mayor, City of Elkins, addressed the committee, and responded to questions (see attached oath). With leave of the committee, Susan Economou, Executive Director, WV Municipal League, addressed the committee, and responded to questions (see attached oath). With leave of the committee, Melanie Pagliaro, President, M.A.P and Associates, addressed the committee, and responded to questions (see attached oath). With leave of the committee, Kenneth Tyree, State Fire Marshall, addressed the committee, and responded to questions (see attached oath). The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, S.B. 601 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Com. Sub. For S.B. 683- Relating to land sales by Auditor

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Scott Caudill, Chief Counsel, WV State Auditor's Office, addressed the committee and responded to questions (see attached oath). The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, S.B. 683 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Com. Sub. For S.B. 746- Allowing State Board of Education to delegate its Medicaid provider status to public charter schools

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, S.B. 746 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On Motion of Senator Woodrum the committee adjourned.



Patricia Puertas Rucker, Chair



Sierra Williams, Clerk