



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for April 07, 2025, 9:30 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on April 07, 2025, 9:30 AM in Room 208-W.

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

Members absent: Senators Woelfel

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

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

H.B. 3279- Relating to requirements for WVU and WVSU Board of Governors

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Leslie Cottrell, Faculty Representative, WVU Board of Governors, addressed the committee, and responded to questions (see attached oath). On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3279 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 2002- Establishing One Stop Shop Permitting Process

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 2002 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 3342-Firearms Industry Nondiscrimination Act

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3342 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 3456- Relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding Stevens Correctional Center

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3456 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 2484- Clarifying the probationary period for paid municipal firefighters

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 2484 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 3503- Relating to regulation by counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions of commercial horticulture under the Water Pollution Control Act

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3503 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Strike and Insert for H.B. 3145- Relating to duties of licensees under the West Virginia Real Estate License Act

Candace Kraus, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, the strike and insert amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3145 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Strike and Insert for H.B. 2866- Relating to fees and charges for municipality provided fire services

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the committee, Adam Burkhammer, WV House of Delegates, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. Senator Woodrum moved to amend the strike and insert amendment. The motion was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, the strike and insert amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 2866 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

H.B. 3017- Compliance Audits of Tabulating Equipment

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 3017 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