



# West Virginia Senate

## Committee on Judiciary

Minutes for April 01, 2025, 3:15 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Judiciary met on April 01, 2025, 3:15 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Stuart, Willis, Azinger, Bartlett, Chapman, Charnock, Deeds, Fuller, Hart, Helton, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Weld, Garcia

Members absent: Senator Martin

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

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

**H. B. 2233 - Authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate legislative rules.**

Phillip Childs, Counsel, explained the bill, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Autumn Grove, Deputy Director, West Virginia Rivers Coalition, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Stuart, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Scott Mandirola, Deputy Cabinet Secretary, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Stuart, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Jason Bostic, Vice President, West Virginia Coal Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Stuart, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

Senator Garcia moved to amend the bill on page 3, line 48, to strike "promulgated as an emergency rule" and insert thereof "removed upon effect of legislative rules".

The same was put and the amendment was rejected.

On motion of Senator Willis, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On Motion of Senator Willis the committee adjourned.



Michael B. Stuart

Chair



Beverly Douglas

Clerk/Analyst

The Senate of West Virginia



Testimony taken this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025, in  
the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

"I swear to tell the truth, nothing but the truth, under penalty of  
false swearing in a legislative proceeding, so help me God."

Auburn Crane

Print Witness Name

Auburn Crane

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Michael B. Stuart

Print Member Name

Michael B. Stuart

Sign Member Name

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Testimony taken this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2025, in  
the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

"I swear to tell the truth, nothing but the truth, under penalty of  
false swearing in a legislative proceeding, so help me God."

Scott Mandirola

Print Witness Name

[Handwritten Signature]

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Michael B. Stuart

Print Member Name

[Handwritten Signature]

Sign Member Name



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the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

“I swear to tell the truth, nothing but the truth, under penalty of  
false swearing in a legislative proceeding, so help me God.”

JASON BOSTIC

Print Witness Name

[Signature]

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Michael B. Stuart

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