



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Courts

Minutes for February 04, 2026, 9:45 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Courts met on February 04, 2026, 9:45 AM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Mallow, Shamblin, Flanigan, Fluharty, Funkhouser, Marple, Roop, Zatezalo.

Members absent: Delegates Ward, B..

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

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

Markup and Passage

The committee considered House Bill 4725 - Clarifying the disposition of animal subject to animal cruelty treatment. Counsel explained the bill, and there were no amendments timely filed. On motion of the Vice-Chairman, House Bill 4725 was reported to the Standing Committee on the Judiciary.

Committee Hearings

The committee held a hearing on House Bill 4098 - To restore the right of a person to set on a jury has been restored upon expungement of one's record. The Chair recognized the bill sponsor, Delegate Horst, to explain the bill. After questions of the bill sponsor, the Chair called Bryce E. Barnes, owner of Elite Security Installation, to give testimony on the bill. After being sworn in by the Chair, Mr. Barnes gave testimony and answered questions. Chairman Mallow then advanced consideration of House Bill 4098 to Markup and Passage.

On Motion of Delegate Shamblin the committee adjourned.

Phil Mallow

Committee Chair

Drew Constable

Clerk