



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Environment, Infrastructure, and Technology

Minutes for February 03, 2026, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Environment, Infrastructure, and Technology met on February 03, 2026, 3:00 PM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Linville, Dillon, Eldridge, Green, Hansen, Holstein, Moore, Parsons.

Members absent: Delegates Hillenbrand, Bridges, Cannon.

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 next order of business were bills on Markup and Passage

HB4040: Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. The Chairman then called for amendments, Counsel provided a strike and insert amendment. The Vice-Chairman motioned to move the amendment. The motion was approved and Counsel explained it to the Committee. Questions and discussion followed. The Vice-Chairman then made the motion to send the bill, as amended, to the standing committee with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended, but first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The motion carried.

HB4419: Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. The Vice-Chairman then made the motion to send the bill to the standing committee with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion carried.

HB4426: Counsel explained the bill. Questions and discussion followed. There was a leave of Committee request to hear from Jacob Bumgardner of the WVDOT. The witness was sworn and questions and discussion followed. The Vice-Chairman then made the motion to send the bill to the standing committee with the recommendation that it do pass, but first be referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion carried.

The next order of business were bills for the Committee Hearing stage.

HB4615: The Sponsor, Delegate Dillon, presented the bill. Questions and discussion followed. The Chairman and the Vice-Chairman briefly swapped positions in order to ask questions of the Sponsor. After switching back, the Chairman declared that the bill will moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4563: The Sponsor, Delegate Books, presented the bill. Questions and discussion followed. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman momentarily swapped positions again to ask questions. The be leave of Committee, WV Parkways Director Chuck Smith came to the podium to speak and answer questions related to the bill. With no other questions, the Chairman declared that the bill will be moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4508: The Sponsor, Delegate Hott, presented the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Then, by leave of Committee, PSC Chairman Charlotte Lane provided testimony about the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Also, by leave of Committee, Brian Brason from the Water Quality Boad provided testimony after being sworn in. Questions and discussion followed. With no other questions, the Chairman declared that the bill will be moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4460: The co-sponsor, Delegate Funkhouser, presented the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Delegate Moore then requested leave of Committee for some public comments to the bill. Then, Mr. Norman Launi of Keyser, WV provided statements to the bill after being sworn in to testify. Also from the public, Mr. George Malik-Agamirian of Charleston, WV provided testimony to the Committee after being sworn in to testify. Questions and discussion followed. Then, the Chairman declared that the bill will be moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4471: The Sponsor, Delegate Green, presented the bill. There were no questions and so the Chairman declared that the bill will be moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4537: The Sponsor, Delegate Gary Howell, presented the bill. Questions and discussion followed. The Chairman and the Vice-Chairman briefly swapped positions in order to ask questions of the Sponsor. After switching back, the Chairman declared that the bill will be moved to the Markup and Passage stage.

HB4156: Due to the late hour and the Sponsor not being present, Chairman declared that this bill will be laid over to another meeting.

With no other business to come before the Committee, and on Motion of Delegate Holstein the committee adjourned.

Daniel Linville
Committee Chair

Dana Spade
Legislative Analyst