



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works

Minutes

January 19, 2026

3:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Energy and Public Works met on January 19, 2026, 3:00 P.M., in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Anderson, Campbell, Cannon D., Dillon, Eldridge, Fehrenbacher, Green, Hansen, Hillenbrand, Howell G., Leavitt, Linville, Lucas, Moore, Parsons, Riley, Sheedy, Street, Young, and Zatezalo.

Members absent: Bridges, Crouse, Holstein, and Jordan.

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

On motion by Vice Chairman Zatezalo, the Minutes of the previous meeting, January 15, 2026, were approved.

MARKUP & PASSAGE:

HOUSE BILL 4008, Relating to Business Ready Sites Program.

Chairman Anderson recognized committee counsel, Brian Casto, for purposes of explaining the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of counsel. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson called for amendments to the bill. Hearing none, Chairman Anderson recognized Vice-Chairman Zatezalo for purposes of making a motion.

Vice-Chairman Zatezalo moved that House Bill 4008 be reported to the floor with the recommendation that it do pass. Chairman Anderson put the question before the committee on adoption of the motion. Chairman Anderson declared the motion was adopted and the bill would be reported as moved.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS:

HOUSE BILL 4410, Relating to special stops required for on-track equipment.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Heckert as lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Delegate Heckert explained the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Delegate Heckert. Questions from the committee members followed. With leave of the

committee, and having been placed under oath by Chairman Anderson, Ms. Charlotte Lane, Chairman, West Virginia Public Service Commission, answered questions from the committee members. Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and passage.

HOUSE BILL 4437, To allow Gold Star parents to receive one free Gold Star vehicle registration for personal use.

Chairman Anderson recognized Delegate Sheedy as lead sponsor for purposes of explaining the bill. Delegate Sheedy explained the bill. Chairman Anderson called for questions of Delegate Sheedy. Questions from the committee members followed. Chairman Anderson advanced the bill to markup and passage.

HOUSE BILL 4471, Approved sewage systems for rental property.

Upon request by Delegate Green, as lead sponsor of the bill, Chairman Anderson directed the bill to be sent to the Subcommittee on Environment, Infrastructure, and Technology for committee hearing.

On Motion by Vice Chairman Zatezalo the committee adjourned.

Bill Anderson
Committee Chairman

Mari Humphrey
Committee Clerk