



West Virginia House of Delegates

Standing Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for February 02, 2026, 1:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Standing Committee on Government Organization met on February 02, 2026, 1:00 PM, in the House East Wing Committee Room 215-E.

Members present: Delegates Phillips, Smith, Young, Lewis, Adkins, Brooks, Browning, Burkhammer, Cannon, Clark, Clay, Dean, Drennan Ferrell, Foggin, Hott, Howell, Kyle, Lucas, McCormick, Pinson, Sheedy, Sr., Street.

Members absent: Delegates Leavitt, Smith.

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

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

Chairman Phillips announced the first item on the agenda was consideration of HB 4198. Delegate D. Smith moved the bill. Chairman Phillips recognized Josh Wiseman, Committee Counsel, to explain the bill. Delegate D. Smith moved the Committee Substitute. Chairman Phillips recognized Josh Wiseman, Counsel, to explain the committee substitute for HB 4198. Delegate D. Smith moved to adopt the language of the Committee Substitute. That motion was adopted. Delegate D. Smith moved to report the committee substitute for HB 4198 to the floor with a recommendation that it do pass. The motion was adopted.

Chairman Phillips recognized Delegate W. Clark to explain HB 4463. Chairman Phillips announced HB 4463 would be moved to the markup/passage stage.

Chairman Phillips recognized Delegate W. Clark to explain HB 4501. Chairman Phillips announced HB 4501 would be moved to the markup/passage stage.

Chairman Phillips recognized Delegate Burkhammer to explain HB 4784. Chairman Phillips announced HB 4784 would be moved to the markup/passage stage.

Chairman Phillips recognized Delegate Vance to explain HB 4958. Questions and answers of Delegate Vance followed. Chairman Phillips announced HB 4958 would be moved to the markup/passage stage.

On Motion of Delegate Smith the committee adjourned.

Chris Phillips

Committee Chair

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