



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Legal Services

Minutes for January 22, 2026, 10:15 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Legal Services met on January 22, 2026, 10:15 AM, in the House Judiciary Committee Room 410-M.

Members present: Delegates Kimble, Butler, Flanigan, Hornby, Marple, Ridenour, Roop.

Members absent: Delegates Holstein, Fluharty, Maynor.

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

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

Markup and Passage

The committee considered House Bill 4138 - Relating to persons convicted of a crime. On motion of Delegate Hornby, the bill was amended. After explanation by counsel and questions, on motion of Delegate Hornby, House Bill 4138, as amended, was reported to the Standing Committee on the Judiciary.

Committee Hearings

The committee held a hearing on House Bill 4080 - To provide for partisan races for mayoral and city council races, and provide for the election of mayors by citizens of a town or municipality. The Chair recognized the bill sponsor, Delegate Willis, to explain the bill. After questions of the bill sponsor, the Chair advanced consideration to Markup and Passage.

The committee held a hearing on House Bill 4137 - Updating the West Virginia Law Institute. The Chair recognized the bill sponsor, Delegate Akers, to explain the bill. After questions of the bill sponsor, the Chair advanced consideration to Markup and Passage.

On Motion of Delegate Hornby the committee adjourned.

Laura Kimble

Committee Chair

Drew Constable

Clerk