



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for March 10, 2026, 9:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on March 10, 2026, 9:00 AM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Morris, Woodrum, Barrett, Charnock, Hamilton, Helton, Maynard, Phillips, Rucker, Thorne, Weld

Members absent: Senators Jeffries, Maynard, Rose, Woelfel

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

On motion of Senator Woodrum, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

HB 5063- To permit the county commission to appoint a county commissioner to a convention and visitor's bureau as a voting member

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5063 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 5087- Relating to Interstate Cosmetology Licensure Compact.

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5087 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Strike and Insert for HB 4793- Creating the Barber Apprentice Program

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. The question on adopting the amendment was put, the amendment was adopted. Senator Rucker moved to amend the amendment. The question on adopting the amendment was put, the amendment was adopted. With leave of the committee, Tresa Howell, WV House of Delegate, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4793 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

Strike and Insert for HB 5638- Relating to the requirements of the state's cyber security program and responsibilities and authority of the state chief information security officer

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. The question on adopting the amendment was put, the amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5638 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

Strike and Insert for HB 4483- Relating to funeral service licensure and administration

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. The question on adopting the amendment was put, the amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4483 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

HB 5653- To confirm the confidentiality of internal audit and other manuals, training materials, guidelines, thresholds, and procedures.

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5653 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 4452- To remove Mortmain restrictions on religious organizations

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4452 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 4801- Defining Permissible expenditures for municipalities and counties

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4801 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 5622- Amendments to city charters

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5622 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Strike and Insert for HB 4546- Providing for biennial reporting instead of annual reporting for business organizations.

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. The question on adopting the amendment was put, the amendment was adopted. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4546 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

HB 5613- Relating to authorizing the Fleet Management Division to use telematics

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5613 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 5323- Relating to indexing of license and stamp fees

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 5323 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HB 4819- Relating to use of criminal records as disqualification from authorization to practice a particular profession

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Woodrum, H.B. 4819 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On Motion of Senator Woodrum the committee adjourned.



Robert L. Morris, Jr., Chair



Sierra Williams, Clerk