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#### Tuesday, May 16, 2017

#### **FOURTH DAY**

[MR. SPEAKER, MR. ARMSTEAD, IN THE CHAIR]

The House of Delegates met at 11:00 a.m., and was called to order by the Honorable Tim Armstead, Speaker.

Prayer was offered and the House was led in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Delegate Cowles arose to suggest the absence of a quorum, the Clerk opened the machine for the roll to be taken (Roll No. 612), and 94 members being present, the Speaker declared the presence of a quorum. The absent being as follows:

Absent: Caputo, Hanshaw, Hill, Lewis, Nelson and Rodighiero.

Delegate Nelson was also present for part of the session.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of Monday, May 15, 2017, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

At 11:38 a.m., on motion of Delegate Cowles, the House of Delegates recessed until 3:30 p.m.

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#### **Afternoon Session**

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The House of Delegates was called to order by the Honorable Tim Armstead, Speaker.

At the request of Delegate Cowles and by unanimous consent, the House of Delegates returned to the Third Order of Business for the purpose of receiving committee reports.

#### **Committee Reports**

Delegate Howell, Chair of the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration:

**H. B. 106**, Relating generally to the furlough of public employees during declared fiscal emergency,

And reports the same back, with amendment, with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended, but that it first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (H. B. 106) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### **Bills Introduced**

Bills were introduced, pursuant to House Rule 92, and severally referred as follows:

#### By Delegate Miley

#### [By Request of the Executive]:

H. B. 107 — "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-13A-3f; to amend and reenact §11-15-2, §11-15-3, §11-15-9, §11-15-9b and §11-15-9h of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto two new sections, designated §11-15-3d and §11-15-3e; to amend and reenact §11-15A-2 and §11-15A-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §11-21-8a and §11-21-8e of said code, to amend said code by adding thereto three new sections, designated §11-21-4g, §11-21-4h and §11-21-12j; and to amend and reenact §11-24-23a of said code, all relating generally to the Tax Reform Act of 2017; imposing graduated rate severance tax on privilege of producing coal as of specified date and defining certain terms; increasing rate of consumers sales and service tax as of specified date; imposing tax on telecommunication services and ancillary telecommunication services as of specified date; imposing tax on digital code and digital products as of specified date; eliminating certain exemptions from consumers sales and service tax as of specified date; providing consumer sales and service tax exemption for services of professional employer organizations; increasing rate of use tax as of specified date; reducing number of classifications and rates of personal income tax as of January 1, 2018; providing for phase-out of personal income tax and specifying triggering event; exempting military retirement income from personal income tax after specified date; increasing amount of credit allowed against personal and corporation net income taxes for qualified building rehabilitation expenditures made after specified date; establishing limitations on carryback and carryforward of credit for qualified building rehabilitation expenditures; and making technical corrections in various sections"; to the Committee on Finance.

#### By Delegate Miley

#### [By Request of the Executive]:

H. B. 108 — "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-14C-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §11-15-3c; to amend and reenact §11-15-18b of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-2-13 of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-3-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-4-1 and §17A-4-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-7-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-10-3, §17A-10-10 and §17A-10-11 of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §17A-10-3c; to amend and reenact §17B-2-1, §17B-2-3a, §17B-2-5, §17B-2-6, §17B-2-8 and §17B-2-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §17C-5A-2a of said code; and to amend and reenact §17D-2-2 of said code, all relating generally to increasing the funding for the State Road Fund; increasing rate of motor fuel excise tax as of specified date; increasing the minimum average wholesale price of motor fuels for purposes of the five percent variable fuel tax as of specified date; increasing the rate of consumers sales and service tax on sales of motor vehicles as of a specified date; deleting superfluous language relating to floorstocks; increasing Division of Motor Vehicles administrative fees, including increasing fees for various documents, records, registrations, certificates, titles, liens, releases, transfers, cards, stickers, decals, licenses and plates; requiring payment of certain fee for each attempt at the written and road skills test; increasing said administrative Division of Motor Vehicles fees every five years on September 1 based on the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics most current Consumer Price Index; imposing annual registration fee for certain alternative fuel vehicles; and specifying effective dates"; to the Committee on Finance.

#### By Delegate Pushkin:

**H. B. 109** — "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-9-1, enacted during the 2017 Regular Session of the Legislature, as an amendment to the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to making medical cannabis subject to the consumer sales and service tax"; to the Committee on Finance.

Delegates Hanshaw and Rodighiero were present during the afternoon session.

#### **Leaves of Absence**

At the request of Delegate Cowles, and by unanimous consent, leaves of absence for the day were granted Delegates Caputo, Hill and Lewis.

At 4:25 p.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

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### WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017** 

HOUSE CONVENES AT 11:00 A.M.

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE 9:00 A.M. – ROOM 460M

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY 9:00 A.M. – ROOM 418M

COMMITTEE ON RULES 10:45 A.M. – BEHIND THE CHAMBER

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