

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

February 21, 2019
1:00 PM

Senate Finance Room 451-M

Pursuant to the call of Chairman Maroney, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources met on February 21, 2019 at 1:00 PM in the Senate Finance Room, 451-M.

Silent roll call was taken. There being thirteen (13) members present, a quorum was established. Present were Chairman Maroney, Vice-Chairman Tarr, Senator Azinger, Senator Maynard, Senator Palumbo, Senator Plymale, Senator Prezioso, Senator Roberts, Senator Rucker, Senator Stollings, Senator Takubo, Senator Unger and Senator Weld.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who introduced a motion to approve the minutes held February 19, 2019. The minutes were approved.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Originating Bill 1 relating to Physician Assistants Practice Act.

With leave of the committee, Mark Spangler representing the Board of Medicine, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee regarding the Originating Bill 1.

With leave of the committee, Joseph Letnaunchyn, President and CEO of WV Hospital Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee regarding the Originating Bill 1.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that Originating Bill 1 be reported to with recommendation to pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 520 and the proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 520 requiring entities report drug overdoses. Counsel Dellinger responded to questions from the committee.

With leave of the committee, Chris Hall representing EMS Coalition, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB520.

With leave of the committee, Bob Hanson, Director of the Office of Drug Control Policy, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB520.

With leave of the committee, Dr. Catherine C. Slem, Interim Commissioner for the WV Bureau of Public Health, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB520.

Senator Stollings moved to amend the Committee Substitute for SB520 to change the required reporting period from 48 hours to 72 hours. Chairman Maroney presented the question to the committee regarding Senator Stollings' suggested amendment. The amendment was adopted.

Chairman Maroney presented the question to the committee for agreement upon the Committee Substitute for SB520. All voted in favor of the Committee Substitute and it was adopted.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that the Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 520, as amended, be reported with recommendation to pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 653 and the proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 653 relating to generally to practice of medical corporations. Counsel Dellinger responded to questions from the committee.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 653 be reported with recommendation to pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 640 and a proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 640 regulating sudden cardiac arrest prevention. Counsel Dellinger responded to questions from the committee.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 640 be reported with recommendation to pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 574 permitting authorized physician order involuntary hospitalization of individual if physician believes addicted or mentally ill. Counsel responded to questions from the committee.

With leave of the committee, Brandon Hatfield, WV Hospital Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB574.

With leave of the committee, Lisa Tackett, Director of Mental Hygiene Service for the WV Supreme Court of Appeals, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maroney and addressed the committee and responded to questions regarding SB574.

Senator Stollings addressed the committee in support of SB574.

Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Tarr who moved that Senate Bill 574 be laid over. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was passed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Vice-Chairman Tarr moved to adjourn. Chairman Maroney put the question on the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Maroney, Chairman

Terri Varney, Committee Clerk/Analyst