



West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for JANUARY 28, 2020, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on January 28, 2020, 3:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Trump, Weld, Azinger, Clements, Cline, Maynard, Pitsenbarger, Rucker, Smith, Baldwin, Hardesty, Jeffries, Lindsay, Romano, Woelfel

Members absent: Senators Beach and Takubo.

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

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

S. B. 267 - Relating to criminal possession of rented or leased personal property.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Romano, the committee laid over **S. B. 267.**

S. B. 511 - Regulating pawnbrokers.

Chris Alder, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Deputy Adam Crawford, Kanawha County Sheriff, West Virginia Fraternal Order of Police was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee amended the bill on page 2, subsection a, to restore the stricken language "except for refinance pawn transactions or merchandise bought from a manufacturer or wholesaler with an established place of business".

On motion of Senator Clements, the committee amended the bill on page 5, line 4, by striking out the word "shall" and inserting the word "may".

With leave of the committee, David M. Roberts, Bosley Rental & Supply, Inc., was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee agreed to the committee substitute as amended.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S. B. 534 - Removing workers' compensation exclusion for temporary legislative employees.

Chris Alder, Counsel, explained the bill, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee recommended the bill for passage.

Chairman Trump instructed counsel to amend the title.

S. B. 547 - Relating to employer testing, notice, termination, and forfeiture of unemployment compensation.

Laura Goins, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee agreed to the committee substitute.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Senator Cline announced the subcommittee for S. B. 208 will meet Thursday, January 30, 2020 at 9:15 a.m. in the Judiciary conference room 210-W.

Senator Azinger announced the subcommittee for S. B. 136 will meet Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. in the Finance committee room 451-M.

On Motion of Senator Weld the committee adjourned.

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Charles S. Trump IV

Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beverly Douglas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing script.

Beverly Douglas

Analyst/Clerk

The Senate of West Virginia



Testimony taken this 28th day of January, 2020, in
the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be
the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me
God."

Adam Crawford
Print Witness Name

Alan K. Lohal
Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Charles S. Trump
Print Member Name

Charles S. Trump
Sign Member Name

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