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The Senate met at 9 a.m.

(Senator Blair, Mr. President, in the Chair.)

Prayer was offered by David Lavender, Senate Sergeant at Arms, Hurricane, West Virginia.

The Senate was then led in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by the Honorable Eric J. Tarr, a senator from the fourth district.

Pending the reading of the Journal of Thursday, January 11, 2024,

At the request of Senator Plymale, unanimous consent being granted, the Journal was approved and the further reading thereof dispensed with.

The Senate proceeded to the second order of business and the introduction of guests.

The Senate then proceeded to the sixth order of business.

On motions for leave, severally made, the following bills were introduced, read by their titles, and referred to the appropriate committees:

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 301—A Bill to amend and reenact §37-6-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §37-6A-1 and §37-6A-5 of said code; and to amend and reenact §55-3A-1 of said code, all relating generally to clarifying that tenancy includes persons who reside in a sober living home; providing a definition for a "sober living home"; and providing that reasonable attorney's fees shall be awarded for a landlord's willful or bad-faith noncompliance relating to rental security deposits when the tenant resides in a sober living home.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 302—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-7g, relating to authorizing a child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention program and in-service training in child sexual abuse prevention.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 303—A Bill to amend and reenact §60A-4-401 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to amending the penalty of simple possession of marijuana from a misdemeanor crime to a civil violation; and amending the penalties from those of a misdemeanor crime to a civil violation.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Phillips:

Senate Bill 304—A Bill to amend and reenact §29-3E-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §33-3-14d and §33-3-33 of said code; and to amend and reenact §33-12C-7 of said code, all relating to distribution of certain taxes and surcharges to benefit volunteer and part-volunteer fire departments and emergency medical services providers; defining terms; providing method of allocation and distribution for proceeds of fireworks safety fee deposited in Fire Protection Fund; eliminating obsolete language; increasing surcharge on fire and casualty policies; providing method of allocation of policy surcharge; requiring the State Fire Marshal provide certain information to the State Treasurer; increasing tax on surplus lines policies; providing method of allocation of surplus lines policy tax; and clarifying requirements for distribution of funds in Fire Protection Fund.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Hamilton:

Senate Bill 305—A Bill to amend and reenact §5A-3-10 of the West Virginia Code, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring certain purchases of commodities and services from nonprofit workshops and requiring the director consult with the Committee on the Purchase of Commodities and Services from the handicapped in making purchasing decisions.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Hamilton:

Senate Bill 306—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §19-39-1, §19-39-2, §19-39-3, §19-39-4, §19-39-5, §19-39-6, §19-39-7, §19-39-8, §19-39-9, and §19-39-10, all relating to creation of the Right to Repair Act; creating a short title; defining terms; establishing jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Agriculture; establishing requirements; establishing limitations; establishing prohibitions; providing for rulemaking; establishing violations; imposing civil penalties; authorizing civil actions, penalties, and injunctive relief; and providing for applicability and effective date of article.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

By Senator Phillips:

Senate Bill 307—A Bill to repeal §61-11-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to repeal §62-3-15 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-2-2 of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto seven new sections, designated §61-2-2a, §61-2-2b, §61-2-2c, §61-2-2d, §61-2-2e, §61-2-2f, and §61-2-2g; and to amend said code by adding thereto four new sections, designated §62-7-4, §62-7-5, §62-7-6, and §62-7-6a, all relating to the Patrolman Cassie Marie

Johnson Memorial Act and the death penalty for first degree murder; providing for procedures, standards, and findings applicable to imposition thereof in certain instances including aggravating and mitigating circumstances; sentencing; providing automatic review of the death penalty by the Supreme Court of Appeals; providing for forensic deoxyribonucleic acid testing of biological material in death penalty cases; providing for execution of the death sentence by lethal injection; providing for delivery of sentence of death to officer retaining custody of person so sentenced; providing for transmission of indictment, order of conviction, sentence, and judgment entered thereon to the warden of the state correctional facility; transferring of person sentenced to death to the state correctional facility; execution; providing presence of certain persons be requested for the execution; providing for certification that sentence of death has been executed; and providing for disposition of the body.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 308—A Bill to amend and reenact §55-2-15 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended relating to eliminating the limitations period for a civil action based on a personal action of childhood sexual assault or abuse only for the purposes of filing claims against a bankruptcy estate.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 309—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-26, relating to authorizing a child or childcare tax credit.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Deeds and Grady:

Senate Bill 310—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2D-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting the acquisition and utilization of a mobile facility which performs mammography or low-density computerized tomography.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Rucker:

Senate Bill 311—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-16-7h; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-15-4x; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-16-4ww; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-16-4ww; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-24-7xx; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25-8v; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §33-25A-8xx, all relating to requiring the Public Employees Insurance Agency, the Bureau for Medical Services, and various insurance companies to provide coverage for non-stress fetal tests, including an ultrasound; including coverage for tests performed remotely in a residence; and providing reimbursement by the Public Employees Insurance Agency, the Bureau of Medical Services, and the health insurer for the covered service.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Swope and Phillips:

Senate Bill 312—A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-803 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring Child Protective Services to interview mandatory reporters who submit screened-in abuse/neglect referrals.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 313—A Bill to amend and reenact §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §9-1-2 of said code; and to amend and reenact §9-5-12 of said code, all relating to allowing for doula reimbursement under the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Act and Medicaid.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 314—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-8-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to strengthening the definition of shelter for animals exposed to extreme weather; clarifying the minimum requirements for what constitutes a shelter; and clarifying what does not amount to a shelter.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Rucker:

Senate Bill 315—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-3-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting from ad valorem property tax all property used for divine worship, including parts of those properties that are used for educational and other charitable purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 316—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-16-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to nonintoxicating beer; unlawful acts of licensees; and providing that it is unlawful for brewers or distributors to offer any prize, premium, gift, or other similar inducement, except advertising matter, including indoor electronic or mechanical signs, of nominal value up to \$250 per stock keeping unit, to either trade or consumer buyers.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Smith:

Senate Bill 317—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §49-12-1, relating to transferring child welfare enforcement responsibilities to the West Virginia State Police; transferring employees, funds, and property of the Department of Health and Human Resources to the West Virginia State Police; providing that transferred employees remain in the Civil Service System, continue to participate in Public Employees Retirement System Insurance, and continue to be covered by the Public Employees Insurance Act; and requiring rulemaking.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Trump, Weld, and Woelfel:

Senate Bill 318—A Bill to amend and reenact §48-22-502 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to modifying the process of when parental rights have been terminated.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 319—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §46A-9-1, §46A-9-2, and §46A-9-3, all relating to defining terms; requiring pharmacies in West Virginia to charge senior citizens the lowest national price for prescription drugs; and granting enforcement powers to the Attorney General.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Rucker:

Senate Bill 320—A Bill to amend and reenact §60-8-6d and §60-8-32a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §60-8-8, all relating to West Virginia wineries; removing the requirements for wineries to serve food in order to serve and sell wine by the glass or bottle; allowing the service of wine in glasses and the sale of bottles and glasses of wine for consumption of wine on winery properties both indoors or outdoors; and permitting the sale of wines made by West Virginia wineries at West Virginia wine festivals.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 321—A Bill to amend and reenact §8-12-5a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to limitations upon municipalities' power to restrict the sale and storage of weapons and ammunition; and preventing municipalities from targeting protected businesses with planning and zoning ordinances more restrictive than those placed upon other businesses.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 322—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-8B-5a, relating to establishing the crime of sexual assault in the fourth degree; prohibiting school personnel from subjecting a minor student to sexually explicit or oriented discussion, gender persuasion, reading or viewing material as a condition of academic advancement, including any requirement of permission from an individual student, parent, or guardian that is not the exact same for the minor's classmates; and establishing penalties for violation.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 323—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-27, relating to expenses associated with childcare.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Taylor:

Senate Bill 324—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-9D-1, §18-9D-2, §18-9D-3, §18-9D-4, §18-9D-4a, §18-9D-4b, §18-9D-4c, §18-9D-4d, §18-9D-6, §18-9D-7, §18-9D-8, §18-9D-9, §18-9D-10, §18-9D-12, §18-9D-13, §18-9D-14, §18-9D-15, §18-9D-16, §18-9D-17, §18-9D-20, and §18-9D-21 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to changing the name of the School Building Authority to the School Maintenance Authority.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 325—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §60A-8-6a, relating to the distribution of drugs to safety net providers and contract pharmacies; penalties; and preemption.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 326—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §23-4D-1, §23-4D-2, §23-4D-3, §23-4D-4, §23-4D-5, and §23-4D-6, all relating to creating the West Virginia Black Lung Program; granting entitlement for pain and suffering for occupational pneumoconiosis; providing that 10 years' exposure as a miner is a conclusive presumption of entitlement to pain and suffering benefits; calculation of benefits; tax credit for benefits; imposing additional severance tax and tax on generation of electricity by solar and wind devices; creating the State Black Lung Fund; requiring the Governor and Legislature to cooperate with other states to attempt to recoup the federal excise tax on coal; and proposal of rules by the Insurance Commissioner and Tax Commissioner.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 327—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-31-2 and §18-31-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to providing funding for the Hope Scholarship Program and the parameters thereof; and providing definitions.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Boley:

Senate Bill 328—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-1-32a, relating to providing voters with the ability to identify and verify their ballot cast in a statewide election held in West Virginia.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Deeds, Grady, Plymale, Takubo, and Woodrum:

Senate Bill 329—A Bill to amend and reenact §9-5-27 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to extending managed care.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senators Deeds, Grady, and Takubo:

Senate Bill 330—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18C-10-1, relating to a state-funded psychiatric residency program; creating a program fund; and setting forth proposed appropriations.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Clements:

Senate Bill 331—A Bill to amend and reenact §7-21-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to eliminating the cap on the maximum amount of money in a county's financial stabilization fund.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Clements:

Senate Bill 332—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-5-16; to amend and reenact §17A-1-1 of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §17A-3-14i; to amend and reenact §17A-3-15 of said code; to amend and reenact §17A-10-1 and §17A-10-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §17B-1-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §17B-2-7b of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §17C-1-71; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §17C-14-16; to amend and reenact §17C-15-44 of said code; and to amend and reenact §17C-16-10 of said code, all relating to roadable aircraft; specifying taxation of roadable aircraft, defining terms; requiring special registration plates for roadable aircraft and establishing annual fee per plate; regulating display of registration plates; classifying roadable aircraft for purpose of registration and establishing registration fee; correcting citation cross references; exempting roadable aircraft operators from motorcycle examination, licensing, and endorsement requirements; clarifying that a roadable aircraft is considered a motor vehicle if it is operated on a highway for purposes of traffic regulations and laws of the road; prohibiting roadable aircraft from taking off from, or landing on, any highway except if landing due to an emergency; exempting persons with a valid driver's license who are operating or riding in a fully enclosed roadable aircraft from the motorcycle helmet requirement; exempting roadable aircraft from the vehicle inspection requirement under certain circumstances; imposing duties on the Division of Motor Vehicles related to roadable aircraft; and authorizing rulemaking by the Division of Motor Vehicles related to roadable aircraft.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Taylor:

Senate Bill 333—A Bill to amend and reenact §5-16-1, §5-16-2, §5-16-3, §5-16-4, §5-16-5, §5-16-7, §5-16-76, §5-16-76, §5-16-76, §5-16-76, §5-16-9, §5-16-10, §5-16-11, §5-16-12, §5-16-12a, §5-16-13, §5-16-15, §5-16-16, §5-16-17, §5-16-18, and §5-16-24 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to repeal §5-16-7e of said code; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §5-16A-1, §5-16A-2, §5-16A-3, §5-16A-4, §5-16A-5, §5-16A-6, §5-16A-7, §5-16A-8, §5-16A-9, §5-16A-10, §5-16A-11, §5-16A-12, §5-16A-13, §5-16A-14, §5-16A-15, §5-16A-16, §5-16A-17, §5-16A-18, §5-16A-19, and §5-16A-20, all relating generally to the Public Employees Insurance Agency; providing for dissolution of the Public Employees Insurance Agency; converting state agency to employer-owned mutual insurance company; setting forth a short title; defining terms; clarifying the duties of the director; providing for private

carriers to insure public employees; providing for employees of the agency to be exempt from provisions of civil service coverage; providing for personnel provisions for employees laid off in first year of operation; providing for retraining benefits for laid-off employees; providing for transfer of certain Public Employees Insurance Agency functions, rights, responsibilities, employees and assets to the Insurance Commissioner and the Public Employees Insurance Council; providing certain civil remedies to commission, mutual company and private carriers; providing for transfer of authority over certain funds to the Insurance Commissioner; providing for capital and surplus requirements of employers' mutual insurance company; providing for election of a board of directors of employers' mutual insurance company; providing for governance and organization of the new mutual insurance company; providing for establishment of claims index to assist insurers: providing for establishment and administration of certain funds and accounts in the State Treasury; providing for adverse risk assignment plan; providing, upon meeting of certain criteria, for issuance of proclamation by the Governor; providing for preferential placement of any employee laid off after transfer of functions; providing certain retraining and other benefits; providing for novation of policies to new employers mutual insurance company; providing for requirements of a basic policy of public employees insurance; providing for setting of insurance rates; providing for collection of premiums; providing for transfer of rules to be applicable to the public employees insurance market; providing for transfer of certain assets to new mutual insurance company; providing for selection of finance board members by Governor; providing for a Public Employees Insurance Council; making technical corrections throughout; providing internal effective dates; providing for civil administrative and criminal penalties; and making conforming changes throughout.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Grady:

Senate Bill 334—A Bill to amend and reenact §18B-1-1f of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing Bluefield State University and West Virginia State University to offer associate degrees on their campuses without Higher Education Policy Commission or the Council for Community and Technical College Education approval; and providing exception.

Referred to the Committee on Education; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Grady:

Senate Bill 335—A Bill to amend and reenact §59-1-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to modifying the fee and mileage rate paid to witnesses in the State of West Virginia to match the United States Federal Court system.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Clements:

Senate Bill 336—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §11-13NN-1, §11-13NN-2, §11-13NN-3, §11-13NN-4, §11-13NN-5, and §11-13NN-6, all relating to creating the Return to West Virginia Tax Credit Act; providing for a title, findings, and purpose; providing for a nonrefundable credit against state personal income taxes; providing a definition; providing for limitations and eligibility requirements of the credit; authorizing legislative rule; authorizing the Tax Commissioner to create forms and require documentation; providing for effective and expiration dates of the credit; and requiring reporting.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Stover:

Senate Bill 337—A Bill to amend and reenact §20-18-2, §20-18-5, and §20-18-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to the Natural Resources Police Officers Retirement System; including newly hired state correctional officers in the Natural Resources Police Officers Retirement System; providing for supplemental funding of the Natural Resources Police Officers Retirement System; and providing for additional recruitment and retention opportunities of Natural Resources Police Officers.

Referred to the Committee on Pensions; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 338—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §55-17-3b, relating to permitting the Legislature to file suit in limited circumstances against the executive branch in order to faithfully execute laws passed.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Rucker:

Senate Bill 339—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-8-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-8-5a; and to amend and reenact §61-8-6, §61-8-7, and §61-8-8 of said code, all relating to increasing the penalties for operating a house of prostitution; specifying persons operating a house of prostitution shall be charged with a felony; increasing fines; increasing punishments; removing antiquated language; adding penalties for customers of prostitution; and specifying punishment will be served in a state correctional facility.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Martin:

Senate Bill 340—A Bill to amend and reenact §24-3-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to preventing public water and sewer utilities from prohibiting a customer from constructing, installing, or maintaining a connection or other infrastructure necessary for the customer to connect to the public utility to receive service if certain requirements are met; and specifying requirements and involvement of the Public Service Commission.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Grady:

Senate Bill 341—A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-10a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to bonuses for unused days of personal leave for school personnel, including professional and service employees.

Referred to the Committee on Education: and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 342—A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-3-2 and §16A-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §16A-8-1 of said code; and to amend and reenact §60A-9-4 of said code, all relating to medical cannabis generally; modifying allowable forms of medical cannabis to include edible form; modifying the unlawful use of medical cannabis; updating Controlled Substances Monitoring Program Database; adding the reporting of

dispensing medical cannabis to the Controlled Substances Monitoring Program Database; and providing certain required information for controlled substances monitoring.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 343—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18B-4-11, relating to requiring state institutions of higher education, to the extent feasible, to provide to their students without charge and in a manner that protects student confidentiality, transportation to and from a local hospital for a trained health care provider to administer a sexual assault forensic medical examination kit where a student seeks support after experiencing sexual violence.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 344—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-30-30 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to registration as service worker for the Bureau for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Resources.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 345—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-8-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-8A-5, all relating to creating a homeless education coordinator in counties designated by the state board as an urban county.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Nelson:

Senate Bill 346—A Bill to amend and reenact §20-18-2 and §20-18-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to including state correctional officers in the Division of Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System.

Referred to the Committee on Pensions; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Nelson:

Senate Bill 347—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-21-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exemptions from personal income tax; providing for an exemption for members of certain uniformed services; exempting Social Security benefits from personal income tax; clarifying that tier one railroad retirement benefits are not subject to personal income tax; specifying an effective date; and removing obsolete language.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Nelson:

Senate Bill 348—A Bill to amend and reenact §3-8-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to regulation and control of elections; and updating the definition of "electioneering communication" to be consistent with the Federal Election Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Stuart:

Senate Bill 349—A Bill to amend and reenact §3-5-7 and §3-5-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating generally to election reforms; clarifying contents of certificate of announcement; clarifying timing of challenge to candidate qualifications; and limiting the authority of political parties to fill vacancies in nomination caused by voluntary withdrawal.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Martin:

Senate Bill 350—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §31A-8H-1, §31A-8H-2, §31A-8H-3, and §31A-8H-4, all relating to unlawful discriminatory practices by a financial institution or government entity against manufacturers, retailers, distributors, shooting ranges, or trade associations that support or are engaged in the lawful commerce of firearms, firearms accessories, or ammunition products; authorizing a declaratory judgment action to be brought by the Attorney General in the name of the state; and providing for an award of monetary damages and costs and other remedies against the violators including potential discontinuance of business by the state with these violators.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 351—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-15-9u of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the definition of small arms for purposes of taxation; defining terms, and expanding definition of "small arms" to include receiver or frame as part of the small arm.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Rucker, Azinger, Boley, Chapman, Deeds, Grady, Martin, Maynard, Phillips, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Tarr, Taylor, and Woodrum:

Senate Bill 352—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2R-2, §16-2R-6, §16-2R-7, §16-2R-8, and §16-2R-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto four new sections, designated §16-2R-10, §16-2R-11, §16-2R-12, and §16-2R-13, all relating to modifying the Unborn Child Protection Act; providing for definitions; creating a process of informed consent; providing for printed information; providing for the creation of an Internet website; providing for an informed consent procedure in case of medical emergency; providing for reporting; providing for licensure action; providing for protection of aborted fetuses born alive; and providing for severability.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senators Swope and Phillips:

Senate Bill 353—A Bill to repeal §48-9-301 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend and reenact §48-9-302 of said code, relating to removing the discretion of the court to issue a written investigation for proceedings; ensuring that the West Virginia judiciary remains neutral and detached in all matters pending before any court of this state; ensuring that the West Virginia judiciary does not in any way initiate or participate in investigations or other activities properly reserved to the executive consistent with the separation of powers required under section one, article V, of the Constitution of the State of West Virginia; to ensuring that the West Virginia judiciary at all times in the performance of its duties acts in a manner consistent with West Virginia

Judicial Code of Conduct Rule 2.9, which states that "[a] judge shall not initiate, permit, or consider ex parte communications, or consider other communications made to the judge outside the presence of the parties or their lawyers, concerning a pending or impending matter"; and ensuring that courts are abiding by the foundational principle of Anglo-American jurisprudence rooted in the Magna Carta and the Due Process clauses of the United States Constitution that no person may have their rights curtailed or stripped from them without the right to confront any witnesses and to rebut any evidence against them, as well as to present their own witnesses and evidence to the court.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senators Plymale, Jeffries, Maynard, Swope, and Woelfel:

Senate Bill 354—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §5B-11-1, §5B-11-2, and §5B-11-3, all relating to creating the West Virginia Advanced Energy and Economic Corridor Authority Commission; legislative findings; and requiring annual reporting to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

By Senators Trump, Weld, and Woelfel:

Senate Bill 355—A Bill to amend and reenact §57-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to spousal privilege; and expanding the exceptions to spousal privilege to exclude therefrom cases in which the offense at issue was committed against any child rather than a child of one or both spouses.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senators Boley, Azinger, Barrett, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Maynard, Nelson, Phillips, Queen, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, and Swope:

Senate Bill 356—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-1-32a; and to amend and reenact §3-4-11a of said code, all relating to providing voters with the ability to identify and verify their ballot cast in a statewide election in West Virginia.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 357—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-4-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the scope of practice of a dental hygienist; and permitting a dental hygienist to perform tobacco cessation education.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Martin:

Senate Bill 358—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §22-35-1, §22-35-2, §22-35-3, §22-35-4, and §22-35-5, all relating generally to creating the Natural Resources Anti-Commandeering Act; stating legislative findings; prohibiting agencies of this state and political subdivisions or employees thereof from knowingly and willingly participating in the enforcement of any federal act, law, order, rule, or regulation relating to coal, oil, gas, timber, or other extractive resources which do not exist under the laws of this state; prohibiting assets or funds of the state from being used in activity assisting

enforcement of any federal act, law, order, rule, or regulation relating to coal, oil, gas, timber, or other extractive resources which do not exist under the laws of this state; providing penalties therefore; and providing for severability.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Martin:

Senate Bill 359—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-7-10a, relating to declaring the sale, repair, maintenance, and manufacture of firearms, ammunition, and related accessories and components, to be essential businesses and services for the purposes of safety and security in times of declared emergency or any other statutorily authorized responses to disaster, war, acts of terrorism, riot or civil disorder, or other emergencies; prohibiting specific governmental regulation of firearms, ammunition, components or accessories of any kind or nature, or their use or possession; extending the expiration date of concealed license during emergencies; creating an action for damages, injunctive relief, declaratory relief, or other appropriate redress for the unlawful seizure or confiscation of firearms or related accessories and components; and providing for civil damages.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Stuart:

Senate Bill 360—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §16-67-1, §16-67-2, §16-67-3, §16-67-4, §16-67-5, §16-67-6, and §16-67-7, all relating to creating the Substance Abuse Intervention Act; providing for a short title; providing for involuntary treatment for a substance use disorder and setting forth the rights of a patient; establishing criteria for involuntary treatment; creating a petition for 60-day and 360-day involuntary treatment and a guarantee for costs; providing for proceedings for involuntary treatment; describing the duties of court, and disposition; setting forth a 72-hour emergency involuntary treatment; describing the failure to attend examination, setting forth a summons, and describing transportation to hospital or psychiatric facility; and providing that this bill shall be known as "Joel's Law".

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Stuart:

Senate Bill 361—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18C-7-8, related to creating the Promise for a Promise Act; modifying the Promise Scholarship to be given in the form of a loan to eligible students; and requiring that each recipient be awarded the loan only for each subsequent year that the student remains in West Virginia after graduation.

Referred to the Committee on Education; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Stuart:

Senate Bill 362—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-54-3 and §16-54-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-54-8a, all relating to the availability of prescription nonopioid medications available; and requiring the Department of Health and Human Resources to make information available to the public about the availability of such treatments.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Taylor:

Senate Bill 363—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-2-16; and to amend and reenact §61-7-11a of said code, all relating to creating the School Safety Act; creating a mobile training team for the purpose of school safety; providing for regional mobile training officers; empowering the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security to create the program; providing for coordination between school protection officers and the mobile training team; permitting elementary and secondary school teachers and administrators to carry concealed weapons; classifying such persons who carry concealed weapons as school protection officers; providing that any teacher or administrator may become a school protection officer; providing for exceptions; defining public notice for when a school has a school protection officer on location; providing for an incentive in the form of a bonus to be given to school protection officers; and providing that this incentive may be revoked if school protection officers lose their classification.

Referred to the Committee on Education; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 364—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §11A-5-1, §11A-5-2, and §11A-5-3, relating to prohibiting counties and municipalities from double-taxing residential rental properties in order to keep rent payments affordable for West Virginia residents.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

Bv Senator Weld:

Senate Bill 365—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §20-2-65, relating to waivers of fees for emergency responders disabled in the line of duty for hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses; establishing procedures and requirements for requesting the waiver; and permitting the promulgation of rules by the Division of Natural Resources.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Smith:

Senate Bill 366—A Bill to amend and reenact §49-4-605 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to termination of parental rights; and requiring the Department of Health and Human Resources to file a petition to terminate parental rights when a parent has, on two separate occasions, had their child removed from their care and determined by a court to have subjected that child to abuse or neglect.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 367—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-9b, relating to prohibiting a school district, a public charter school, the West Virginia Board of Education, the West Virginia Department of Education, or any employee of the aforementioned entities, within the scope of his or her employment, from requiring or otherwise compelling a student, teacher, administrator, or other employee to affirm,

adopt, or adhere to certain specified concepts; limiting prohibitions; providing that complaints may be filed pursuant to current state board policy; requiring reports of substantiated complaints to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability annually; and allowing the state board to promulgate rules.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 368—A Bill to amend and reenact §17A-10-3c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing a rebate for the registration of hybrid vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 369—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-16-6a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to brewer and resident brewer licenses; providing that a licensed brewer or resident brewer may not produce more than 50,000 barrels per calendar year at a brewer or resident brewer's principle place of business and manufacture; clarifying that a licensed brewer or resident brewer may have multiple locations; and providing that West Virginia licensed brewers and resident brewers may enter into contract brewing services agreements with another licensed brewer or resident brewer in good standing in its domicile state for purposes of producing nonintoxicating beer or nonintoxicating craft beer.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 370—A Bill to amend and reenact §6C-2-5 and §6C-2-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to updating Public Employees Grievance Board procedure to reflect that Level 3 decisions be appealed to the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Nelson:

Senate Bill 371—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-80; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-24-26, all relating to exempting capital gains from personal and corporate taxation.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Nelson:

Senate Bill 372—A Bill to amend and reenact §21-5D-2 and §21-5D-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to paid or unpaid family leave time; granting a total of 12 weeks under the Parental Leave Act based on at least 12 consecutive months of performing services for remuneration within this state for any department, division, board, bureau, agency, commission, or other unit of state government, or any county board of education; and specifying conditions for which the leave time is granted.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 373—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-98; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-24-45, all relating to providing a tax credit against the state corporate net income tax and the state personal income tax for expenditures related to the operation of existing employer-provided or sponsored child-care facilities; defining terms; providing for rulemaking; setting forth the amount of the credit; providing for limitation of the credit; providing for transferrable credit available to non-profit corporations; and providing for a recapture process.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 374—A Bill to amend and reenact §9-5-12a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the coverage limit; requiring the Department of Health and Human Resources to require its managed care organizations to provide education to Medicaid enrollees regarding the availability of coverage; and requiring reporting.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Azinger:

Senate Bill 375—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §35-1A-1, §35-1A-2, §35-1A-3, §35-1A-4, and §35-1A-5, all relating to creating the Health Care Sharing Ministries Freedom to Share Act; exempting a health care sharing ministry from the state's insurance laws; providing definitions; providing that membership in a health care sharing ministry satisfies a requirement to have health care insurance by a public institution of higher education; and providing that a health care sharing ministry is not a third-party payer for any purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Azinger:

Senate Bill 376—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-5-50, all relating to requiring law-enforcement agencies and child protective services to report certain allegations regarding school employees to county school personnel.

Referred to the Committee on Education; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 377—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §17C-2-10, relating to permitting allopathic and osteopathic physicians to be exempt from specified traffic laws in emergency situations when responding to an emergency call; providing that physicians must still exercise due care for safety; and providing for rulemaking.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 378—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-9A-11, relating to prohibiting smoking of tobacco products

in a motor vehicle while an individual 16 years of age or younger is present; defining terms; making the violation a secondary misdemeanor offense; and providing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Karnes:

Senate Bill 379—A Bill to amend and reenact §15-9B-1a and §15-9B-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to the Sexual Assault Examination Network; defining "abortion", "chemical abortion", and "licensed medical professional"; and requiring the Sexual Assault Forensic Examination Commission to promulgate rules establishing protocols for storage of DNA samples by any licensed medical professional performing a surgical abortion as a result of rape or incest; notifying persons who are rape or incest victims who receive surgical or chemical abortions of the collection; and providing requirements for preserving the chain of evidence in criminal prosecutions, including evidence from rape kits.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Karnes:

Senate Bill 380—A Bill to repeal §17C-16-1, §17C-16-2, §17C-16-3, §17C-16-4, §17C-16-5, §17C-16-6, §17C-16-7, §17C-16-8, and §17C-16-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to mandatory state inspections of motor vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Taylor:

Senate Bill 381—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-25 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission promulgate legislative rules.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 382—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §47-11G-1, relating to requiring exhibitors of motion pictures who operate two or more theaters in more than one location in this state to provide open captioning during at least two showings per week of each motion picture that is produced and offered with open captioning; and requiring, when requested, audio description be provided for any motion picture that is produced and offered with audio description.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 383—A Bill to amend and reenact §5-16-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §5-16B-6e of said code; to amend and reenact §33-16-3v of said code; to amend and reenact §33-24-7k of said code; and to amend and reenact §33-25A-8j of said code, all relating to increasing the required insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorders.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 384—A Bill to amend and reenact §3-3-1 and §3-3-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to absentee voting; removing specifications for permission to vote by absentee ballot; and allowing all voters to request and vote by absentee ballot.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 385—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9A-1-10a, relating to paying a monthly allotment to certain veterans.

Referred to the Committee on Military; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 386—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §16A-17-1, §16A-17-2, §16A-17-3, §16A-17-4, §16A-17-5, §16A-17-6, §16A-17-7, §16A-17-8, and §16A-17-9, all relating to legalizing cannabis production, sales, and adult consumption; providing legislative purpose and findings; defining terms; legalizing the possession of one ounce or less of cannabis and cannabis products by adults; authorizing production, sales, transfer, and transport of cannabis upon passing county referendums; providing procedure for county commissions to authorize county referendum on legislation of production and sales; establishing mechanisms for permitting and licensing production and sales facilities by the Bureau for Public Health and localities: authorizing the Bureau for Public Health to promulgate rules, establish licensing, and administrative penalties relating to the production, sales, transfer, and transport of cannabis in authorizing counties; authorizing the Department of Revenue to promulgate rules and administer tax collections; authorizing localities to regulate manufacturing and sales locations; authorizing a special excise tax on cannabis; creating a new fund and dedicating proceeds of the fund; authorizing county local sales tax to be collected and used for the benefit of county and municipal governments: providing current laws relating to employment, vehicle operation, underage use, or private property use preserved; and establishing that the operation of this article is not intended to alter the West Virginia Medical Cannabis Act.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 387—A Bill to repeal §21-5G-1, §21-5G-2, §21-5G-3, §21-5G-4, §21-5G-5, §21-5G-6, and §21-5G-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to worker affiliation with a labor organization.

Referred to the Committee on the Workforce; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Clements:

Senate Bill 388—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-29-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to responsibility for reimbursement of training costs of law-enforcement employees who leave original jurisdiction of employment for employment in another law-enforcement agency in this state.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Smith:

Senate Bill 389—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §22-15-25; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-3-45b, all relating to nonferrous metal sales and transportation to a secondary recycler; providing for definitions; providing for permits for secondary metals recyclers to purchase nonferrous metals; providing for permit requirements for fixed and nonfixed sites; providing that the Superintendent of the West Virginia State Police shall develop applications and permits; providing for a permit fee for secondary metals recyclers; providing that a secondary metals recycler permit to purchase nonferrous metals is valid for two years; providing for a permit for persons or entities to sell or transport nonferrous metals over the highways; providing a fee for a replacement permit for a lost or destroyed original permit; providing for record retention criteria; providing that a seller or transportation permit is valid for two years; providing for denial, revocation, or suspension of a permit for violations of law and for penalties; providing that only secondary metals recyclers can purchase nonferrous metals from persons or entities with a valid permit; providing that secondary metals recyclers shall retain records of all purchases of nonferrous metals; providing for record retention of at least one year; providing for a limit for secondary metals recyclers purchasing nonferrous metals through cash transactions; providing for signage to be displayed; providing for penalties when a secondary metals recycler violates certain provisions: providing for limitations on selling nonferrous metals; providing for penalties for sellers violating certain provisions relating to selling nonferrous metals; providing for revocation of permits for secondary metals recyclers and sellers violating certain provisions of purchasing or selling nonferrous metals; providing for holds placed on stolen nonferrous metals; providing for law enforcement to issue written notice to a secondary metals recycler relating to stolen nonferrous metals; providing for a 15 calendar day hold for the secondary metals recycler to retain the nonferrous metals as provided in the written notice from law enforcement; providing that law enforcement provide written notice to the secondary metals recycler relating to allegedly stolen nonferrous metals; providing for 30 calendar days for an extended hold of allegedly stolen nonferrous metals by the secondary metals recycler; providing for automatic release of any holds if no order has been received to retain the nonferrous metals by a court; providing for limitations on transporting nonferrous metals on the highways of this state without a valid permit and penalties for violating transportation requirements; providing for revocation of a transportation permit; providing for exemptions from required permits to obtain, transport, or sell nonferrous metals to a secondary metals recycler; providing for preemption of other laws, rules, or regulations by any county or municipality; providing for additional criminal offenses for illegally obtaining nonferrous metals: providing for penalties to property damage when the damage is below \$5.000: providing for penalties for property damage when the damage is greater than or equal to \$5,000; providing for penalties when another person receives a great bodily injury during the course of illegally obtaining nonferrous metals; providing for penalties when illegally obtaining nonferrous metals results in the death of a person; providing for penalties for disruption of communication or electrical services to more than 10 people; providing for revocation of a permit upon conviction for illegally obtaining nonferrous metals; providing immunity from civil liability to the owner of real or personal property for any injury sustained by a person attempting to or obtaining nonferrous metals illegally, or for any injury caused by dangerous conditions to a person attempting to or obtaining nonferrous metals illegally; providing that no duty of care is expected of an owner of real or personal property to persons attempting to or obtaining nonferrous metals illegally; and providing for rule-making authority.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Industry, and Mining; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Caputo:

Senate Bill 390—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §11-13NN-1, §11-13NN-2, §11-13NN-3, §11-13NN-4, §11-13NN-5, §11-13NN-6, and, §11-13NN-7, all relating generally to creating a personal income tax credit for nurses in West Virginia; providing for definitions; providing for a tax credit for nurses for personal income tax in a taxable year; providing for a tax credit limitation of \$5,000 for a single person; providing for a tax credit limitation of \$10,000 of persons filing tax returns jointly under certain conditions; providing that the tax credit for nurses must be used in the taxable year and cannot be carried forward; providing for documentation of eligibility for the tax credit; providing for required contents of the documentation evidencing eligibility for the tax credit; providing that the form must be sent to the Tax Commissioner to receive the tax credit; providing for rule-making authority; providing for reporting at certain time; and providing for an effective date.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 391—A Bill to repeal §15-1B-26 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the requirement that firefighters and security guards be members of the National Guard.

Referred to the Committee on Military.

By Senators Trump, Weld, and Woelfel:

Senate Bill 392—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-8B-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to admissibility of evidence regarding the alleged victim's prior sexual history.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 393—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia 1931, as amended, relating to clarity regarding placing limitations on a concealed carry permit; excluding an individual from being charged with a crime in certain circumstances; and adding a severability clause.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 394—A Bill to amend and reenact §19-12A-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to precluding the Department of Agriculture from cancellation of certain leases; removing language allowing cancellation of any lease which the Department of Agriculture is a party, and the consideration is less than \$5 an acre; and making technical corrections.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

By Senator Tarr:

Senate Bill 395—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-1C-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to valuation of industrial property and natural resources by Tax Commissioner; making technical corrections; and removing a sunset provision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Rucker:

Senate Bill 396—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9-5-34, relating to requiring the Department of Health and Human Resources to allow reimbursement for remote ultrasound procedures and remote fetal nonstress tests utilizing established CPT codes for these procedures when the patient is in a residence or other off-site location from the patient's provider and the same standard of care is met

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Hamilton, Caputo, Chapman, Deeds, Martin, Maynard, Plymale, Rucker, Stover, Taylor, Woelfel, and Woodrum:

Senate Bill 397—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-1C-5b, relating to exempting high tunnels and greenhouses, whether heated or unheated, from personal property taxation; and providing an enacting date.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Hamilton, Chapman, Deeds, Maynard, Plymale, Rucker, Stover, Taylor, Woelfel, and Woodrum:

Senate Bill 398—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §62-18-20, relating to creating the crimes of sexual extortion and aggravated sexual extortion; defining terms; establishing elements of the crimes of sexual extortion and aggravated sexual extortion; and establishing criminal penalties.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Weld:

Senate Bill 399—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-2-10c, relating to making it unlawful to harm, attempt to harm, or kill a police dog that is under the control of a law-enforcement or corrections officer who is acting in his or her official capacity; defining the term "police dog"; and setting forth penalties.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Jeffries:

Senate Bill 400—A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating limited waiver from certificate of public convenience and necessity requirement for certain water or sewer services projects.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 401—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §20-2-33d, relating to establishing a "pop-up" window that

directs users to optional firearms safety classes offered by the National Rifle Association and the United States Concealed Carry Association.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 402—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to codifying the United States Concealed Carry Association to provide concealed carry classes in West Virginia.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senators Deeds, Caputo, Hunt, Rucker, Stover, Takubo, and Taylor:

Senate Bill 403—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §61-17-1, §61-17-2, §61-17-3, §61-17-4, and §61-17-5, all relating to gift card fraud; legislative findings; definitions; required notices; employee training; and misdemeanor penalties.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 404—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §18-34-1, §18-34-2, §18-34-3, and §18-34-4, all relating generally to social media education for grades six through 12; limiting access by students to only age-appropriate material; prohibiting student access to data and information hacking; preventing access to students' personal information through school system databases, websites, web application, or software; and granting rule-making authority to the State Board of Education.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 405—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §15A-4B-1, relating to the creation of the Jobs for Reentry Program.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 406—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §16-7A-1, §16-7A-2, §16-7A-3, and §16-7A-4, all relating to food allergen awareness; requiring the Department of Health and Human Resources to provide posters that contain information about food allergens to restaurants, which the restaurants must post; requiring food service employees to understand and be able to explain the allergens potentially in each food item sold by that business; granting rule-making authority; and providing an enacting date.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 407—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §30-5A-1, §30-5A-2, and §30-5A-3, all relating to creating the

Pharmacist Prescribing Authority Act; authorizing pharmacists to prescribe low-risk medications to patients; and listing the limitations of the prescriptions that fall under that authority.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 408—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-7A-38 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting retirees under the State Teachers Retirement System to work as substitute teachers for up to 180 days per academic year without loss of the payment of monthly retirement benefits; adding a legislative finding; changing the allowed period of employment; providing that no additional retirement system contributions will be made by the employer from such employment; and allowing the retirant to choose to contribute to his or her retirement from this employment should the retirant choose to do so.

Referred to the Committee on Pensions.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 409—A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-9 of the Code of West Virginia,1931, as amended, relating to requiring all public schools to instruct students on foreign languages.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Chapman:

Senate Bill 410—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-1-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring all state buildings to have a nursing room so that a mother can either nurse her baby or pump; requiring that these nursing rooms be separate from a bathroom; and permitting that these rooms can be adjacent to bathrooms.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 411—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-1-23 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the waiver of initial licensing fees for certain individuals.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 412—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to medical exemptions to state vaccination laws; requiring physician submitting certification for medical exemption be licensed in West Virginia; requiring physician submitting medical exemption to present facts of case to the State Immunization Officer; creating deadline for State Immunization Officer to render initial and remand decision; defining contents of the case file; stating if case remanded for additional medical information and no additional medical information is submitted on remand, State Immunization Officer's decision will be upheld; creating Immunization Appeal Oversight Board; setting forth board composition; setting forth time frame for State Immunization Officer to transmit file; setting forth purpose of the board; setting forth duties of the board; setting forth process and rate of payment for the board; providing the State Health Officer will review a random sample of the Immunization Officer's medical exemption approvals; setting forth document handling standards for personally identifiable information; providing for immunity for the board; setting forth factors that may be considered by the board in

rendering its decision; providing a time frame for the board to render its decision; providing that a child may remain in school and day care pending review of the board and providing a transition time if the State Immunization Officer's decision is upheld; providing board member is not subject to subpoena; providing the board's documents shall be made available to the court in redacted form upon the court's request; providing the board's decision may be appealed; and providing penalties to the physician for unethical conduct including five or more overturned exemptions; providing penalties for State Immunization Officer found to have five or more overturned decisions in a two year period.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 413—A Bill to amend and reenact §5B-1A-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to clarifying the department responsible for the administration of the Rails to Trails program.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 414—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-120, relating to personal state income taxes; and authorizing a decreasing modification of a taxpayer's adjusted gross income for medical expenses not reimbursed under accident and sickness insurance coverage.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 415—A Bill to amend and reenact §48-19-105 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing minimum salaries for Bureau for Child Support Enforcement attorneys.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 416—A Bill to amend and reenact §62-12-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating generally to the board of parole; increasing the number of members on the board from nine to 13; establishing qualifications for members appointed after July 1, 2024; removing the party affiliation limitation; and requesting the Governor to affirmatively recruit candidates with mental health and social work experience.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Trump:

Senate Bill 417—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §21-5J-1, §21-5J-2, §21-5J-3, §21-5J-4, §21-5J-5, §21-5J-6, §21-5J-7, §21-5J-8, §21-5J-9, and §21-5J-10, all relating to creating a paid parental leave pilot program; providing findings and purpose; definitions; paid parental leave and requirements for claiming benefits; requiring employer to continue group health insurance coverage for employee; employment benefits and seniority position upon return from leave; benefits not to accrue during period of leave; employers required to respond to survey to Department of Labor; requiring

department to report to Joint Committee on Government Organization; authorizing emergency rule-making authority; and providing December 31, 2028, sunset.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Oliverio:

Senate Bill 418—A Bill to amend and reenact §32-4-406 and §32-4-407a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto 12 new sections, designated §32-7-701, §32-7-702, §32-7-703, §32-7-704, §32-7-705, §32-7-706, §32-7-707, §32-7-708, §32-7-709, §32-7-710, §32-7-711, and §32-7-712, all relating to authorizing victim restitution and creating a restitution assistance fund for victims of securities violations; providing a short title; providing definitions; creating the Securities Restitution Operating Fund; providing for the manner and procedures for applications for restitution assistance; providing the manner and procedures for the payment of restitution assistance awards; detailing the situations in which restitution is prohibited; providing for subrogation; providing for a lien on recovery and refunds of excessive restitution amounts; providing for the suspension of claims; exempting the restitution awards from attachment or intercept; authorizing the Auditor to promulgate rules regarding the restitution program; providing an effective date; permitting the Auditor to transfer three percent of securities fees collected to the Securities Restitution Operating Fund; and authorizing the awarding of restitution in an administrative assessment.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Oliverio:

Senate Bill 419—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §17-31-1, §17-31-2, §17-31-3, §17-31-4, and §17-31-5, all relating to requiring the Commissioner of the Division of Highways to develop a formula for allocating road funds among districts, for the benefit of the counties; making legislative findings; requiring the commissioner to solicit and consider public comments; requiring the commissioner to include certain factors in the formula; and requiring the commissioner to submit the formula to the Legislature for approval as a legislative rule.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 420—A Bill to amend and reenact §7-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing county commissioners an ongoing mechanism to consider compensation increases for elected officials every two years.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senators Deeds, Grady, Plymale, Takubo, and Woodrum:

Senate Bill 421—A Bill to the amend and reenact §4-10-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, to amend and reenact §5-1E-1 and §5-1E-2 of said code; to repeal §5-5-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-6-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-10C-3 of said code; to amended and reenact of §5-14-3 and §5-14-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-16-2 and §5-16-18 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-16B-1, §5-16B-2, §5-16B-4 and §5-16B-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-26-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §5-29-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §5A-1A-2 of said code; to repeal §5A-2-34 of said code; to amend and reenact §5F-1-2; to

amend and reenact §6-7-2a of said code: to amend and reenact §7-1-3a of said code: to amend and reenact §7-4-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §7-10-2, to amend and reenact §8-19-21 of said code; to amend and reenact §8A-1-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-1-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-2-6a, §9-2-10 and §9-2-13 of said code; to repeal §9-2-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-3-4, §9-3-5 §9-3-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-4A-2, §9-4A-2a, §9-4A-2b and §9-4A-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-4B-1 and §9-4B-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-4C-1, §9-4C-7 and §9-4C-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-4D-2 and §9-4D-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-5-5, §9-5-8b, §9-5-9, §9-5-11, §9-5-11a, §9-5-11b, §9-5-11c, §9-5-12a, §9-5-15, §9-5-16a, §9-5-19, §9-5-26, §9-5-27, §9-5-29 and §9-5-30 of said code; to repeal §9-5-25 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-6-1, §9-6-2, §9-6-9, §9-6-11 and §9-6-16 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-7-1, §9-7-2, §9-7-3, §9-7-4, §9-7-5, §9-7-6, §9-7-6a and §9-7-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-8-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-9-3, §9-9-16 and §9-9-21 of said code; to amend and reenact §9-10-1, §9-10-2 and §9-10-3 of said code; to repeal §9-10-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §11-10-5u of said code: to amend and reenact §11-13I-3 of said code: to amend and reenact §11-27-3 and §11-27-30 of said code; to amend and reenact §11B-2-15 of said code; to amend and reenact §12-3-10e of said code; to amend and reenact §12-3A-4 and §12-3A-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-1E-76b of said code; to amend and reenact §15-1I-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-2-55 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-2C-1, §15-2C-2, §15-2C-4 and §15-2C-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-3D-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-12-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-13-2 and §15-13-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-14-5, §15-14-7 and §15-14-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §15A-4-11 and §15A-4-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-1-2 and §16-1-20 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-1A-1, §16-1A-2, §16-1A-3 and §16-1A-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-1C-1 and §16-1C-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-2-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-2B-1, §16-2B-2 and §16-2B-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-2D-2 and §16-2D-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-2H-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-3C-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-3D-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-4-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-4C-3, §16-4C-4 and §16-4C-24 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-4D-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-4E-2, §16-4E-4 and §16-4E-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-4F-1 and §16-4F-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5-1 and §16-5-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5K-2, §16-5K-3, §16-5K-4 and §16-5K-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5L-5, §16-5L-10, §16-5L-14 and §16-5L-15 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5P-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5Q-2 and §16-5Q-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5R-3 and §16-5R-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5S-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5T-2 and §16-5T-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-5CC-1 and §16-5CC-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-7-3 and §16-7-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-8-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-9A-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-22A-3 and §16-22A-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-22B-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-29B-2, §16-29B-3, §16-29B-5, §16-29B-12 and §16-29B-25 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-29D-3, §16-29D-7 and §16-29D-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-29G-1a, and §16-29G-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-30-8 and §16-30-25 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-30C-13 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-32-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-33-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-34-2, §16-34-3, §16-34-5, §16-34-6, §16-34-9 and §16-34-13 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-37-2 and §16-37-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-38-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-42-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-44-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-48-5 and §16-48-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-50-1, to amend and reenact §16-53-1, §16-53-2 and §16-53-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-57-3 and §16-57-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §16-59-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §16A-2-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §16A-4-3 of

said code: to amend and reenact §16A-15-6 of said code: to amend and reenact §17-2C-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §17-4A-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §17-28-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §17C-15-26 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-2-5b, §18-2-9 and §18-2-13h of said code; to amend and reenact §18-2K-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-5-15c of said code; to amend and reenact §18-5-42 and §18-5-44 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-5D-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-7B-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-10K-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-10M-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-20-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §18-21-1, §18-21-2, §18-21-3 and §18-21-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §18A-2-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §18A-4-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §18B-10-7b of said code; to amend and reenact §18B-16-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §18C-3-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-1-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-11E-1 and §19-11E-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-12A-1a, §19-12A-2, §19-12A-5 and §19-12A-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-29-1 and §19-29-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-30-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-34-5 of said code: to amend and reenact §20-5J-2. §20-5J-3 and §20-5J-5 of said code: to amend and reenact §20-5K-2, §20-5K-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §21A-6-16 and §21A-6-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §22-5-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §22-15A-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §22-18-6 and §22-18-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §22-30-21 of said code; to amend and reenact §22C-3-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §24-2A-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §24-2C-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-1-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-1A-4, §27-1A-6 and §27-1A-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-2-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-2A-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-5-1, §27-5-1b, §27-5-2, §27-5-4, §27-5-9 and §27-5-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §27-6A-1 and §27-6A-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-12-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-15-1, §29-15-5 and §29-15-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-20-1, §29-20-2, §29-20-3, §29-20-4 and §29-20-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-22A-19 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-30-8, §29-30-9 and §29-30-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-31-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-34-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §29-35-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §30-3-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §30-4-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §30-7B-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §30-30-16 and §30-30-30 of said code; to amend and reenact §31-15A-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §31A-2A-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-15B-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-25A-7b, §33-25A-9, §33-25A-17, §33-25A-18 §33-25A-27 and §33-25A-36 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-25B-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-25D-18, §33-25D-20 and §33-25D-29 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-46-18 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-54-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-55-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-56-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §33-59-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §44A-1-9 and §44A-1-15 of said code; to amend and reenact §44A-2-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §44A-3-11 of said code; to amend and reenact §46A-6L-102 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-1-104, §48-1-206 and §48-1-236 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-2-701 and §48-2-702 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-9-209 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-11-105 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-14-102, §48-14-407, §48-14-413 and §48-14-414 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-17-101 and §48-17-102 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-18-101, §48-18-118 and §48-18-126 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-19-103 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-22-104 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-23-301 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-26-206, §48-26-301, §48-26-401, §48-26-402, §48-26-501, §48-26-502 and §48-26-801 of said code; to amend and reenact §48-27-206 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-1-104, §49-1-106, §49-1-202, §49-1-206 and §49-1-208 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-2-106, §49-2-110a, §49-2-111a, §49-2-125, §49-2-301, §49-2-302, §49-2-303, §49-2-401, §49-2-502, §49-2-503, §49-2-504, §49-2-604, §49-2-605, §49-2-701, §49-2-708, §49-2802, §49-2-803, §49-2-804, §49-2-813, §49-2-814, §49-2-901, §49-2-903, §49-2-906, §49-2-913, §49-2-1001, §49-2-1002, §49-2-1003, §49-2-1004, §49-2-1005 and §49-2-1006 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-4-104, §49-4-108, §49-4-112, §49-4-114, §49-4-202, §49-4-203, §49-4-401, §49-4-402, §49-4-403, §49-4-408, §49-4-501, §49-4-704, §49-4-705, §49-4-706, §49-4-711, §49-4-726, §49-4-801 and §49-4-803 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-5-101 and §49-5-106 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-6-103, §49-6-105, §49-6-110, §49-6-113 and §49-6-116 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-7-102, §49-7-201, §49-7-202 and §49-7-204 of said code; to amend and reenact §49-8-1 of said code; to amend and reenact §51-2A-21 of said code; to amend and reenact §53-8-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §55-7B-9c of said code; to amend and reenact §55-19-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §60A-9-5 and §60A-9-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §60A-11-1, §60A-11-2 and §60A-11-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-2-14a, §61-2-14h and §61-2-29b of said code; to amend and reenact §61-7A-3 and §61-7A-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8D-3 and §61-8D-4 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-11-26a of said code; to amend and reenact §61-11A-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-12-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-14-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §62-1D-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §62-12-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §62-15B-1, all relating to renaming the Department of Health and Human Resources.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Deeds:

Senate Bill 422—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §17B-3-14, relating to providing reports on mental or physical disabilities, or disorders, to the Division of Motor Vehicles to determine an individual's medical competency to retain their driver's license; and providing that this bill shall be known as "McKayla, Miranda, and Philip's Law".

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Roberts:

Senate Bill 423—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend and reenact §18-28-2 and §18-28-6 of said code, all relating to allowing students in private schools to be immunized on a voluntary basis.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Senator Deeds:

Senate Bill 424—A Bill to amend and reenact §7-14D-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the retirement benefit multiplier of the Deputy Sheriff Retirement System Act from two and one-half percent to three percent of the member's final average salary multiplied by the member's years of credited service.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 425—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §20-3C-1, §20-3C-2, §20-3C-3, §20-3C-4, and §20-3C-5, all relating to creating the West Virginia Public Waterway Act; purpose and legislative findings;

definition; public access bridge crossings; fencing; and implementation by the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 426—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §17-31-1, §17-31-2, §17-31-3, §17-31-4, §17-31-5, and §17-31-6, all relating to enacting the West Virginia Recreational Trails Development Act; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Transportation to prioritize design and construction of recreational trails in the state; assigning duties to the department for development; maintenance, and funding establishing reporting requirements; and setting an effective date.

Referred to the Committee on Outdoor Recreation.

Bv Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 427—A Bill to repeal §19-1-4b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the repeal of the authority of the Agriculture Commissioner to increase certain fees by rules or regulations.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 428—A Bill to amend and reenact §19-11B-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing that appeals from administrative rulings are to be filed with the Intermediate Court of Appeals.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 429—A Bill to amend and reenact §17A-3-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to farm use vehicle tag placement.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 430—A Bill to amend and reenact §46B-3-7 and §46B-3-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to the regulation of the rental of consumer goods under rent-to-own agreements; disclosure requirements when consumer is in default; and limitations on charges and fees.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 431—A Bill to amend and reenact §21-1B-1, §21-1B-2, §21-1B-3, §21-1B-4, §21-1B-5, §21-1B-6, §21-1B-7, and §21-1B-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to the verification of the legal employment status of workers; modifying findings and policy; adding to definitions; clarifying that work authorization status is verified by the E-Verify system; modifying record-keeping requirements; providing for the suspension or revocation of license; creating penalties for the failure to comply; providing for defenses; and providing for enforcement by the Attorney General and Division of Labor.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 432—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-1-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to when funds accumulated by boards may be transferred to the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury; establishing method of calculating excess amount in board's special fund; and limiting amount of money that may be transferred in a fiscal year.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 433—A Bill to amend and reenact §30-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to special revenue fund; removing prohibition against moneys in fund reverting to General Revenue Fund; and clarifying disposition of fines collected by board.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 434—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-6-15, relating to crimes against the peace; prohibiting aggressive panhandling; definitions; misdemeanor offense with penalties; and authorizing law-enforcement officers to interview individuals who are engaged in street begging or panhandling to ascertain whether these individuals are victims of human trafficking and are forced into labor.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 435—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-6-26, relating to DNA collection; defining terms; providing for penalties; and providing for enforcement.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 436—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §22-5-15a, relating to the prohibition of certain additives in diesel fuel; defining terms; providing for penalties; and providing for enforcement.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 437—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §49-12-1, §49-12-2, §49-12-3, §49-12-4, and §49-12-5, all relating to protecting the rights and welfare of children conceived as the result of sexual assault; protecting the survivors of sexual assault from repeated interactions with the perpetrators; providing definitions; providing for termination of parental rights for perpetrators whose abuse resulted in the conception of a child; requiring continued child support from the perpetrator unless waived by the survivor; providing authority to establish procedures; and providing services to the survivors and children affected by sexual assault.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 438—A Bill to amend and reenact §5-30-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requirements for rosters of individuals who have obtained professional, occupational, and trade licenses, registrations, and certificates made available to public; establishing exception for certain authorizing entities; and removing geographical information from rosters.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Senators Nelson, Oliverio, Azinger, Barrett, Clements, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Phillips, Plymale, and Queen:

Senate Bill 439—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-5V-2, §16-5V-5, §16-5V-6, §16-5V-8, and §16-5V-14a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto two new sections, designated §16-5V-6c and §16-5V-6d, all relating to the Emergency Medical Services Retirement System; defining terms; updating terms to comply with federal laws; authorizing certain 911 personnel to be members of the Emergency Medical Services Retirement System under certain circumstances; requiring costs of the vote to participate be borne by participating employers in relative proportion to members employed; providing for transfer of assets pertaining to 911 personnel; requiring administrative costs of the Consolidated Public Retirement Board; requiring administrative costs of the Consolidated Public Retirement Board for transfer of assets pertaining to 911 personnel be borne by participating employers in relative proportion to members employed; terminating liability of the Public Employees Retirement System; and providing for purchase of service time through payment.

Referred to the Committee on Pensions; and then to the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Blair (Mr. President) and Woelfel (By Request of the Executive):

Senate Bill 440—A Bill to amend and reenact §6-7-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing salaries for the Secretaries of the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Health Facilities.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Woodrum:

Senate Bill 441—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §17C-26-1, §17C-26-2, §17C-26-3, §17C-26-4, §17C-26-5, and §17C-26-6, all relating to the regulation of driving in the left lane on four-lane interstate highways; providing for purpose and intent; providing for definitions; creating the prohibition; providing for penalties; creating enforcement; and providing for an effective date.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and then to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 442—A Bill to amend and reenact §27-5-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing liability for mental health professionals providing services in mental hygiene cases involving possible involuntary hospitalization.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Senator Takubo:

Senate Bill 443—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §33-63-1, relating to requiring health benefit plan coverage;

creating the Oral Health and Cancer Rights Act; requiring coverage for medically necessary dental procedures that result from cancer treatment; explaining scope of procedures covered as a result of certain cancer treatments; requiring use of specific billing identifier; and setting an effective date.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

Senators Karnes, Azinger, Barrett, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Oliverio, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, and Swope offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 9—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 36-28-24.07(36A082), locally known as Mouth of Seneca Bridge, carrying WV 28 and WV 55 over Seneca Creek in Pendleton County, the "U. S. Merchant Marine Joseph Ward Teter Memorial Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senator Woodrum offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 10—Urging the West Virginia congressional delegation to support legislation that would authorize county governments to sell Federal Emergency Management Agency property that has been placed in their custody by the federal government.

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senators Grady, Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Karnes, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Weld, and Woelfel offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 11—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 44-119/00-011.79 (44A110), locally known as Big Lick Run Bridge, carrying US Route 119 over Big Lick Run in Roane County, the "U. S. Marine Corps PFC Noel Harper Fields Memorial Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senator Swope offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 12—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge 24-007/00-001.28 (24A381), (37.45980, -81.70401), locally known as Big Sandy Bridge, carrying CR 07 over Tug Fork in McDowell County, the "U.S. Army Private Raymond Lee Perkins Memorial Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senators Caputo, Hamilton, and Queen offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 13—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge 17-050/00-014.25 (17A195), (39.28950,-80.35136), locally known as Adamston Bridge, carrying APD 50 over West Fork River in Harrison County, the "U.S. Navy S1 Paul McCue Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senator Martin offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 14—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge 17-079/00-115.33 (NB-SB) (17A251,17A252), also known as the Quiet Dell Overpass and beginning at 39.22594, -80.29692, located in Clarksburg, Harrison County, the "U.S. Army PFC William Gorman Memorial Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senator Blair (Mr. President) offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 15—Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 02-51/00-004.58(02A180), locally known as Inwood Route 51 Overpass, carrying WV 51 overpass carrying J-81 in Berkeley County, the "Chief Edward (Eddie) Keesecker Memorial Bridge".

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senators Blair (Mr. President), Rucker, Stuart, Maynard, Phillips, Taylor, Deeds, and Swope offered the following resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 16—Urging the United States Congress to enact muchneeded reforms to federal permitting policies to accelerate deployment of new energy infrastructure.

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

Senator Takubo offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution 5—Designating January 15, 2024, as Child Advocacy Day at the Legislature.

Which, under the rules, lies over one day.

The Senate proceeded to the seventh order of business.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 8, US Army Corporal Clemon Knapp Memorial Bridge.

On unfinished business, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

The Senate proceeded to the eighth order of business.

Eng. Senate Bill 142, Clarifying deadline to file annual report for companies authorized to do business in WV.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips,

Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 142) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 143, Creating WV Guardian Program.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

Pending discussion,

The question being "Shall Engrossed Senate Bill 143 pass?"

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 143) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 144, Requiring each county board to ensure that its meetings are open to public through in-person attendance and broadcast live on its website.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 144) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 146, Creating adult education taskforce.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 146) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 147, Adding definition of "ammunition" for purposes of obtaining state license to carry concealed deadly weapon.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 147) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 148, Establishing auto-renewal program for wildlife licenses.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 148) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 149, Relating to municipalities required to be represented on county authority boards.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 149) passed with its title.

Senator Takubo moved that the bill take effect from passage.

On this question, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, two thirds of all the members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 149) takes effect from passage.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 150, Clarifying when magistrate vacancies shall be filled.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 150) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 151, Clarifying terms and offense of human smuggling.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 151) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 153, Making adoption records accessible for medical purposes.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Senator Takubo, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Eng. Senate Bill 154, Increasing penalties for drug possession and updating list of offenses.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

Pending discussion,

The question being "Shall Engrossed Senate Bill 154 pass?"

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—31.

The nays were: Caputo—1.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 154) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 155, Creating Violent Crime Prevention Act.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 155) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 156, Requiring certain documents that contain wage records be considered confidential.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—29.

The nays were: Caputo, Stover, and Woelfel—3.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 156) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 157, Requiring one-year residency within district or county to fill vacancy in Legislature.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips,

Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 157) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 158, Enhancing penalties for fleeing officer.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 158) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 159, Prohibiting persons convicted of certain crimes against minors from holding positions on boards of education.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 159) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 160, Updating language and increasing penalties for indecent exposure.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 160) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 161, Creating emeritus physician license.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Senator Takubo, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Eng. Senate Bill 162, Establishing Summer Feeding for All Program.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 162) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 163, Establishing aggravated felony offense of reckless driving resulting in death.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips,

Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 163) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 164, Relating generally to trespassing.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Senator Takubo, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was laid over one day, retaining its place on the calendar.

Eng. Senate Bill 165, Creating pilot program for recovery residences in Cabell County.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 165) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 166, Updating contested elections procedures.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 166) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 168, Granting municipal fire marshal authority to assist law-enforcement officer.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 168) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 169, Allowing physician assistants to own practice.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 169) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 170, Relating to compensable diseases of certain firefighters covered by workers' compensation.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips,

Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 170) passed with its title.

Senator Takubo moved that the bill take effect from passage.

On this question, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, two thirds of all the members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 170) takes effect from passage.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 171, Prohibiting county commissions from adopting authorization that exceeds state law regarding agriculture operations.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

Pending discussion,

The question being "Shall Engrossed Senate Bill 171 pass?"

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 171) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 172, Revising requirements of local school improvement councils.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

Pending discussion,

The question being "Shall Engrossed Senate Bill 172 pass?"

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 172) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 173, Modifying certain guidelines for motor vehicle dealers, distributors, wholesalers, and manufacturers.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 173) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 175, Updating offenses of extortion and attempted extortion.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 175) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 176, Relating to permissible expenditures by Water Development Authority from Infrastructure Fund.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 176) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 177, Protecting consumers against automatic renewals without consent.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 177) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 178, Relating to dental health care service plans.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—31.

The nays were: Azinger—1.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 178) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

Eng. Senate Bill 179, Requiring sheriff to serve child abuse and neglect petitions.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Boley, Caputo, Chapman, Clements, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Nelson, Oliverio, Phillips, Plymale, Queen, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Stuart, Swope, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Trump, Weld, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Blair (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Karnes and Maroney—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 179) passed with its title.

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to the House of Delegates the action of the Senate and request concurrence therein.

The Senate proceeded to the tenth order of business.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 2, Authorizing DEP to promulgate rules.

On first reading, coming up in regular order, was read a first time and ordered to second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the twelfth order of business.

Remarks were made by Senators Grady and Clements.

(Senator Azinger in the Chair.)

Remarks were made by Senators Blair (Mr. President) and Plymale.

(Senator Blair, Mr. President, in the Chair.)

Remarks were made by Senator Caputo.

Thereafter, at the request of Senator Takubo, unanimous consent being granted, the remarks by Senator Clements were ordered extended in the Journal as follows:

SENATOR CLEMENTS: Thank you, Mr. President.

I was very sorry that yesterday I was not able to be in the chamber when we honored the Senator from Pleasants County. So, I would like to indulge the committee just for me to add a few remarks to what I would have said if I would have been here yesterday.

I first ran in to the Senator from Pleasants—if I want to use that word.... Back in 1994 I was fortunate enough to be elected to the House of Delegates. And we had a situation develop between the time of my election and the caucus' when the Senate Minority Leader passed away. And we were going to have to elect a new Minority Leader. And the Senator from Pleasants told me when I talked to her, she said, "You're going to make the most important vote of your legislative career before the session even starts. And she was right.

And without her advice, I wouldn't have had the great things. As a freshman, I was able to sit on the House Finance Committee... something that normally didn't happen. But it was because of her advice to me that she did it, and she did it because she knew, she knew how the system worked, and she did it.

And so, to the Senator from Pleasants, many years later, thank you.

At the request of Senator Takubo, and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senators Blair (Mr. President), Plymale, and Caputo were ordered printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

The Senate proceeded to the thirteenth order of business.

At the request of Senator Takubo, unanimous consent being granted, a leave of absence for the day was granted Senator Karnes.

Under the provisions of Rule 15 of the Rules of the Senate, the following senator was removed as a co-sponsor of the following bills on January 11, 2024:

Senate Bill 209: Senator Weld;

And.

Senate Bill 221: Senator Weld.

Under the provisions of Rule 15 of the Rules of the Senate, the following senators were added as co-sponsors to the following bills and resolutions on January 11, 2024:

Senate Bill 194: Senator Taylor;

Senate Bill 201: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 203: Senator Woelfel:

Senate Bill 209: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 211: Senators Stuart, Grady, and Chapman;

Senate Bill 212: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 214: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 218: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 220: Senators Caputo and Grady;

Senate Bill 221: Senator Grady;

Senate Bill 222: Senators Stuart, Trump, Caputo, Grady, and Chapman;

Senate Bill 228: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 230: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 231: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 232: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 235: Senator Chapman;

Senate Bill 238: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 245: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 252: Senators Stuart, Roberts, and Phillips;

Senate Bill 253: Senator Grady;

Senate Bill 254: Senators Stuart and Phillips;

Senate Bill 258: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 260: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 266: Senators Caputo and Queen;

Senate Bill 268: Senator Woelfel;

Senate Bill 269: Senators Stuart, Trump, and Caputo;

Senate Bill 279: Senators Stuart and Grady;

Senate Bill 280: Senators Stuart, Taylor, Roberts, and Phillips;

Senate Bill 281: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 282: Senator Phillips;

Senate Bill 285: Senator Taylor;

Senate Bill 289: Senators Woelfel and Caputo;

Senate Bill 292: Senators Woelfel, Caputo, and Jeffries;

Senate Bill 295: Senator Stuart;

Senate Bill 296: Senator Stuart;

Senate Bill 300: Senators Woelfel, Stuart, and Jeffries;

Senate Joint Resolution 4: Senators Taylor and Woodrum;

Senate Concurrent Resolution 7: Senator Maynard;

And,

Senate Concurrent Resolution 8: Senator Jeffries.

Pending announcement of meetings of standing committees of the Senate,

On motion of Senator Takubo, at 10:16 a.m., the Senate adjourned until Monday, January 15, 2024, at 11 a.m.

SENATE CALENDAR

Monday, January 15, 2024 11:00 AM

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- S. C. R. 9 US Merchant Marine Joseph Ward Teter Memorial Bridge
- S. C. R. 10 Urging WV congressional delegation support legislation authorizing county governments to sell FEMA property
- S. C. R. 11 US Marine Corps PFC Noel Harper Fields Memorial Bridge
- S. C. R. 12 US Army PVT Raymond Lee Perkins Memorial Bridge
- S. C. R. 13 US Navy S1 Paul McCue Bridge
- S. C. R. 14 US Army PFC William Gorman Memorial Bridge
- S. C. R. 15 Chief Edward "Eddie" Keesecker Memorial Bridge
- S. C. R. 16 Urging US Congress enact reforms to federal permitting policies to accelerate deployment of new energy infrastructure
- S. R. 5 Designating January 15, 2024, as Child Advocacy Day at Legislature

THIRD READING

Eng. S. B. 164 - Relating generally to trespassing

SECOND READING

Com. Sub. for S. B. 2 - Authorizing DEP to promulgate rules (original similar to HB4027)