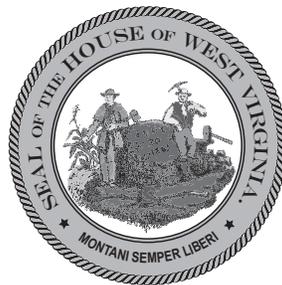


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[DELEGATE HANSHAW, MR. SPEAKER, IN THE CHAIR]

The House of Delegates was called to order by the Honorable Roger Hanshaw, Speaker.

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

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of Tuesday, January 20, 2026, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

Committee Reports

Delegate Worrell, Chair of the Committee on Health and Human Resources, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Health and Human Resources has had under consideration:

H. B. 4022, CPS Allocation,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4022 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-102 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to child protective services worker; the allocating of child protective service workers; the stationing of child protective workers; and requiring a report,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Delegate Worrell, Chair of the Committee on Health and Human Resources, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Health and Human Resources has had under consideration:

H. B. 4354, Relating to necessity allowance,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4354 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §49-13-1, §49-13-2, §49-13-3, and §49-13-4, relating to necessity allowance; setting forth the purpose of the article, defining terms; setting forth the requirements to obtain funding from the Bureau of Social Services for approved necessities; and setting forth the amount and form of payment,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass, and with the recommendation that second reference to the Committee on Finance be dispensed with.

In the absence of objection, reference of the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4354) to the Committee on Finance was abrogated.

Delegate Akers, Chair of the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration:

H. B. 4433, Prohibiting Human Smuggling and Trafficking,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4433 - "A BILL to amend and reenact §61-14-1, §61-14-2, §61-14-3, §61-14-4, §61-14-5, §61-14-6, §61-14-7, and §61-14-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §61-14-10, relating to human trafficking; creating crimes relating to human smuggling of an adult and human smuggling of a minor; creating criminal penalties; amending definitions; creating definitions; authorizing asset forfeiture in certain circumstances; amending provisions relating to restitution; providing for circumstances where an offender may not be eligible for parole; and creating an exemption for medical, mental health, and legal services being provided for an illegal alien,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Delegate Ellington, Chair of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration:

H. B. 4002, Establishing the West Virginia Collaboratory,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4002 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §4-16-1, §4-16-2, and §4-16-3, relating to establishing the West Virginia Collaboratory; establishing powers and duties; directing funding; establishing an advisory group; specifying composition and duties of the advisory group; authorizing reimbursement of members; exempting meetings of the advisory group from open meetings laws; exempting documents compiled by the advisory group from public records requests; and requiring annual reports,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Bills Introduced

On motions for leave, bills were introduced and severally referred as follows:

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the bills was dispensed with and each bill was considered as formally introduced and referred to the appropriate committees as indicated on the Chamber Automation System.

By Delegate Burkhammer:

H. B. 4622 - "A Bill amend and reenact §5F-2-1, §16B-2-1 and §16B-2-4 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to repeal §5F-2-1a, relating to the Office of the Inspector General; removing the Inspector General from inclusion in the Department of Health; removing the requirement that the Department of Health provide administrative support; clarifying that the Inspector General has the power to conduct performance audits, financial audits, evaluations, and attestations engagements of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Health, and the Department of Health Facilities and their independent contractors; requiring reporting; and requiring notification to the prosecuting attorney and law-enforcement in the event that the Inspector General believes a criminal law has been violated"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates G. Howell, Sheedy, Bell, Jeffries, Street and Willis:

H. B. 4623 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding two new sections, designated §7-3-3b and §8-12-10a, relating to requiring counties and municipalities to provide public notice for land or building purchases"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hott, Fehrenbacher, Anderson, Zatezalo, Heckert, Chiarelli, Jennings, Mallow, Riley, G. Howell and Willis:

H. B. 4624 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-1-3k of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting county commissions to lease, rent, or permit the use of county-owned wireless towers or any portions thereof to any entity or entities; and prohibiting county commissions from levying charges for use of county-owned wireless towers or any portions thereof by public safety operations, the West Virginia Department of Highways, or any other state agencies"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hillenbrand, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Phillips, Funkhouser, Heckert, Fehrenbacher, Crouse, Sheedy, Roop, B. Smith and D. Cannon:

H. B. 4625 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-22-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exemptions from excise taxes; amending definitions; removing the exemption from excise taxes for certain transfers; and adding an exemption for certain transfers"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Browning, Worrell, Burkhammer, Dean, Hillenbrand and Hite:

H. B. 4626 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding 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, relating to the establishment of a grant program to fund the United States Food and Drug Administration's drug development trials with ibogaine; the preparation and notice of funding opportunity; application requirements; the creation of a selection committee; the submission of an investigational new drug application with the United States Food and Drug Administration; requesting a breakthrough therapy designation for ibogaine from the United States Food and Drug Administration; the establishment of drug development trial sites; conducting drug development trials; the selection of an institutional review board; and funding"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates G. Howell, Pritt, Masters, Zatezalo, Hornby, Hillenbrand, Rohrbach, Flanigan, Fehrenbacher, Heckert and Campbell:

H. B. 4627 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §5-16-13a, relating to firefighter health coverage; providing definitions; providing preventative cancer screening in accordance with certain guidelines; prohibiting copayment, coinsurance, or deductible requirement on certain coverage of preventive cancer

screenings; and requiring counties and municipalities that offer self-insured employee health benefit plans to comply with a certain provisions"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Horst, Masters, Clark, Kimble, Martin, Ridenour, Phillips, Hillenbrand, Crouse, Mazzocchi and Kump:

H. B. 4628 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §62-1G-1, §62-1G-2, §62-1G-3, §62-1G-4, §62-1G-5, §62-1G-6, and §62-1G-7, relating to creating the PEEPS Act; providing a title and legislative findings and purpose; providing definitions; creating exceptions and establishing limitations when accessing historical location information; creating civil penalties; and clarifying municipal regulation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Akers, McCormick, Chiarelli, Rohrbach, Amos, Worrell and Hite:

H. B. 4629 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-9A-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to medical cessation treatment and research; providing exemptions for distribution to individuals between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one for the purpose of tobacco cessation and/or research in a sanctioned medically supervised program by an institution of higher education"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegate Dillon:

H. B. 4630 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-3C-14b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the computer crime and abuse act; and clarifying a definition"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Dillon:

H. B. 4631 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that Internet Service Providers, or 'ISPs', shall be considered a telecommunications utility for regulatory purposes by the Public Service Commission"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Dillon and Anders:

H. B. 4632 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §19-13-4 and §19-13-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the right to keep bees, limitations on the inspection of apiaries by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and clarifying the circumstances under which the Commissioner of Agriculture may quarantine the bees in an apiary"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegate Dillon:

H. B. 4633 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-9A-29, relating to providing an enrollment stabilizer mechanism in the Public School Support Program"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegate Dillon:

H. B. 4634 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-9D-15 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the creation of the 'Support for Neglected Schools Act"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegate Dillon:

H. B. 4635 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-1-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing certain requirements relating to requests for rate adjustments

from public electric utilities; limiting the authority of the Public Service Commission to holding hearings on rate adjustment requests by public electrical utilities and to making recommendations to the Legislature; requiring that electric utility rate adjustments be approved by the Legislature; and, requiring electrical utilities which operate coal fired electrical generation facilities shall maintain an average minimum rate of generation"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Brooks and Roop:

H. B. 4636 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-40-3, §30-40-4, §30-40-5, §30-40-6, §30-40-11, §30-40-12, §30-40-13, §30-40-14, §30-40-17, §30-40-19, §30-40-23, §30-40-25, and §30-40-26 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to changing 'salesperson' to 'sales agent' in the real estate code"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegate Brooks:

H. B. 4637 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-5-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to limiting how often a teacher's aide may be pulled from his or her regular, expected job duty"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Worrell:

H. B. 4638 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-2-5, §16-19-3, §16-19-5, and §16-19-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to registration of voters and voluntary registration of organ donors; providing for applications for registration to include an option for the applicant to register as an organ donor and be included in a national organ donor database; revising a definition; authorizing the Secretary of State to provide donor registrant records collected to the donor registry; requiring the Secretary of State to provide information on the election of organ donation on voter registration cards, and providing for promulgation of legislative rules"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Worrell:

H. B. 4639 - "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 inspections of vehicles; and the elimination of mandatory state inspections of motor vehicles"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Worrell and Hite:

H. B. 4640 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §60A-2-204 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to schedule I drugs; and adding a provision relating to the scheduling of an organic psilocybin substance or crystalline polymorph psilocybin approved by the Food and Drug Administration and the Drug Enforcement Administration"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Worrell, Burkhammer and Hite:

H. B. 4641 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5D-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to codifying the guidelines for nutritionally adequate school breakfasts and lunches as defined by the United States Department of Agriculture within Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulation, as well as the Dietary Guidelines for Americans"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Education.

By Delegates Worrell, Burkhammer and Hite:

H. B. 4642 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §22-37-1, §22-37-2, §22-37-3, §22-37-4, §22-37-5, §22-37-6, §22-37-7, §22-37-8, and §22-37-9, relating to establishing the West Virginia Clean Water Act of 2026; providing

definitions; adopting enhanced water quality standards; updating maximum contaminant levels; implementing advanced water filtration systems; establishing the West Virginia Safe Water Fund; conducting annual assessments; conducting quarterly testing for contaminants; establishing a state-run website; reporting requirements; monetary penalties; state intervention, including temporary management of noncompliant water systems; reinvestment of funds collected from fines; conducting a survey of lead service lines within all public water systems; removing lead service lines; financial assistance to low-income households for removal of lead pipe replacement; and funding and appropriations"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Worrell:

H. B. 4643 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §55-7L-1, §55-7L-2, §55-7L-3, §55-7L-4, §55-7L-5, §55-7L-6, §55-7L-7, §55-7L-8, and §55-7L-9, relating to liability shield products; providing definitions; placebo-controlled studies; tracking adverse outcomes; publishing post-market surveillance data; issuing an alert about adverse consequences; requiring manufacturers of liability shield products to submit documentation and compliance reports; granting individuals the right to refuse liability shield products; action brought forth by the Attorney General or an individual; and creating civil penalties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegate Brooks:

H. B. 4644 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring that county superintendents of schools be West Virginia residents"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Brooks:

H. B. 4645 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-6O-1, relating to giving a 50 percent reduction in property taxes to all day care facilities in the state"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Kyle, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean and Dittman:

H. B. 4646 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-9A-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §18-9A-13, relating to the creation of the Remote Schools Support Act; defining an 'extremely remote school' and setting forth the requirements, including examples of extremely remote schools; providing additional support to extremely remote schools by addressing costs of building operations, funding for schools to prepare for extreme weather, and funding for professional development; providing for keeping the extremely remote school open by additional state aid; providing that no county board may close an extremely remote school; providing for a reporting requirement to LOCEA; and providing for a waiver requirement"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Funkhouser, Masters, Drennan, Hall, Shamblin and Clark:

H. B. 4647 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections; and increasing the term of office of sheriff from four years to six years"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Funkhouser and Drennan:

H. B. 4648 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §62-1C-1 and §62-1C-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to bail, providing that persons accused of felonies or violent misdemeanors are required to post bond and are not entitled to release on their own recognizance; and providing that the bail threshold for nonviolent felonies be increased, adjusted for inflation beginning July 1, 2026"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Funkhouser, Moore, Hall, Ferrell, Shamblin, Clark, Jeffries, Amos, Hillenbrand and Parsons:

H. B. 4649 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11A-3-52 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to amending duties of a purchaser of property sold by the Auditor for unpaid taxes in order to secure a deed to include the satisfaction of any municipal lien of record on the property"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Funkhouser, Anders, Masters, Horst, Moore, Drennan, Hillenbrand and Parsons:

H. B. 4650 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-10-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to municipal courts; and establishing when a defendant is entitled to a trial by jury"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Funkhouser:

H. B. 4651 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §46A-2-128 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting the collection of interest or attempts to collect any interest or other charge, fee or expense on a debt when that charge or expense is expressly authorized by either the agreement creating or modifying the obligation or by statute or regulation instead of requiring both the agreement and a statute or regulation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Riley:

H. B. 4652 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §8-12-28, relating to exempting local taxes and fees from a duly elected municipal utility board, its contractors, subcontractors, and vendors"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

By Delegate Riley:

H. B. 4653 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-4b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating generally to changing rates of public utilities"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Stephens, Pritt, Campbell, Shamblin and Dittman:

H. B. 4654 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to state minimum salaries for teachers; providing a pay increase for teachers who have more than 30 students; and providing for an exception"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Stephens, Pritt, Willis, Campbell and Dittman:

H. B. 4655 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-34-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to expanding Laken's Law to include grades 3 to 12 for fentanyl, heroin, and opioids awareness, prevention, and abuse instruction"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Ellington, Statler, Toney, Akers, Willis, Hornby, Crouse, Pritt, Mallow and Dittman:

H. B. 4656 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-8-1a, §18-8-2, §18-8-4, §18-8-5, §18-8-6a, §21-6-9, §49-1-202, §49-1-206, §49-4-701, §49-4-702, §49-4-702a, §49-4-711 and §49-4-712 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to chronic absenteeism; providing that the compulsory school attendance requirement ends on the student's 18th birthday; providing that students with exceptionalities may be required to meet different attendance measures; removing criminal penalties for 18 year old students who are chronically absent; adding definitions for chronically absent or chronic absenteeism and student support specialist; providing that 18 year

olds shall receive the same notice of unexcused absences as parents, guardians, and custodians; providing that upon recommendation of the teacher, social worker, or principal, the school may refer the student to the Department of Human Services for Wrap Around Services; providing that a student who is 18 years old and has 10 unexcused absences shall be advised of the consequences of failing to comply with attendance policies; adding coordination of wrap around services with the department of human services to county attendance director duties; removing obsolete or conflicting statutory language regarding principal, administrative head, or other chief administrator duties and clarifying their duty to ensure compliance with compulsory attendance requirements; providing that if a student who is under 18 years of age is found to be chronically absent, the county prosecutor may petition the circuit court for protection of the student as a child in need of supervision pursuant to juvenile justice provisions; amending legislative appropriation language to match new definitions; removing reference to truancy officers in child labor enforcement section; defining child in need of supervision; replacing truancy support specialist definition with definition of student support specialist; replacing references to truancy support specialist with student support specialist; establishing juvenile jurisdiction of circuit courts for juveniles who are chronically absent; providing that effective July 1, 2026, truancy is no longer a status offense and that jurisdiction over chronically absent juveniles will continue as a child in need of supervision; providing that any pending truancy charges shall be dismissed, provided that if the juvenile's best interests are served by the continued participation in a diversion program, that program may be continued; providing that chronically absent students may be referred to a prepetition diversion program; clarifying the court's role in monitoring prepetition diversion programs; providing that chronically absent students may be referred noncustodial counseling or community services; removing truancy as a status offense; clarifying the court's role in providing intervention on behalf of a child in need of supervision; providing that a child in need of supervision may not be placed in out-of-home placement or a Bureau of Juvenile Services facility; and making technical changes throughout"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Stephens, Pritt, Willis, Campbell, Shamblin and Dittman:

H. B. 4657 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5-10-15a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing all members of the West Virginia Public Employees Retirement system apply unused sick leave to retirement credit"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Stephens, Pritt, Willis, Ferrell, Campbell, Shamblin and Dittman:

H. B. 4658 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to adding to the teacher pay scale the increments of Bachelor's Plus 30 and Master's Plus 60"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Hornby, Clark, Fehrenbacher, Stephens, Heckert, Browning, Pritt, Holstein, Rohrbach, Ellington and Maynor:

H. B. 4659 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-113, §49-2-114, §49-2-115, §49-2-115a, §49-2-116, §49-2-117, §49-2-118, §49-2-119, §49-2-120, §49-2-121, §49-2-122, and §49-2-123 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §49-2-1007, relating to the transfer of childcare services from the Department of Human Services to the West Virginia Department of Education; providing for the implementation of Early Childhood Education Centers; providing for funding; and providing for certification"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Statler, Ellington and Toney:

H. B. 4660 - "A Bill to amend and reenact 18-3-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to reclassifying sixth grade students from elementary school to middle school"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Brooks, T. Howell, Clay, Mallow, Ridenour, B. Smith, Funkhouser, Green and Maynor:

H. B. 4661 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-2-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto eleven new sections, designated §61-2-2a, §61-2-2b, §61-2-2c, §61-2-2d, §61-2-2e, §61-2-2f, §61-2-2g, §62-7-4, §62-7-5, §62-7-6, and §62-7-6a; and to repeal §61-11-2 and §62-3-15 relating to permitting the death penalty for first degree murder for the crime of intentionally killing a law-enforcement officer or first responder in the line of duty; providing for procedures, standards, and findings applicable to the 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 any legally acceptable means, including lethal injection or firing squad; 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"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Brooks, T. Howell, Adkins and Green:

H. B. 4662 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-8-1a, relating to crimes by and proceedings against inmates; and creating the offense of being in possession of drugs or testing positive for drug use while incarcerated; mandating testing after three months of incarceration; and creating penalties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Clark and Browning:

H. B. 4663 - "A Bill to repeal §60-7-8c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to special licenses for multi-vendor private fairs and festivals"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Burkhammer, Mazzocchi, Chiarelli, Flanigan, Heckert, Kimble, Miller, Pinson and Young:

H. B. 4664 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §29-21-13a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing compensation for panel attorneys; requiring the Public Defender Services to annually provide to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources, the Foster Care Ombudsman, and the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals a report summarizing legal services that are being provided by panel attorneys"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, Brooks and T. Howell:

H. B. 4665 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-21-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to personal income tax and retirement income; providing definitions; expanding the state's modifications for tax reducing federal adjusted gross income to retired out-of-state police, first responders, and other retirees who show the work they performed was in the capacity of Law Enforcement Officer, and/or a First Responder; providing procedures on applying for the modification; and requiring the Tax Division to verify eligibility and create a process to store information"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, White and T. Howell:

H. B. 4666 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §61-12-17, relating to creating autopsy requirements for certain cases; requiring medical examiners to check immunization records; creating reporting requirements; and adding penalties for failure to follow this section"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegate Crouse:

H. B. 4667 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-27-3 and §30-27-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §30-27-8c, all relating to the practice of barbering and cosmetology; defining terms; including a salon training program; and exempting safe services from licensure"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Crouse and T. Howell:

H. B. 4668 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17B-4-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to violation of license provisions; and providing people driving illegally be found at fault when involved in an accident"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Crouse, White and Dillon:

H. B. 4669 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-1D-1, relating to public health; creating the Safe Drinking Water Act; providing definitions; and disallowing fluoride to be added to the public water systems"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Crouse, Stephens, T. Howell, Bell and Drennan:

H. B. 4670 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18-36-1, §18-36-2, and §18-36-3, all relating to establishing the West Virginia Educational Freedom Pilot Act of 2026; providing for a short title; setting forth legislative findings; and providing for the enactment of the program"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White, Foggin, Kump, Brooks, Horst, Ferrell, Hornby and Dillon:

H. B. 4671 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §61-17-1, relating to illegal immigration; requiring persons with illegal immigration status to be turned over to ICE; and creating criminal penalties for subsequent offenses"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kump, Brooks, Bell, Ferrell and Dillon:

H. B. 4672 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-5-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-5-18a, relating to access to original birth certificates to adopted adults or their lineal descendants"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kimble, Kump, Bell, Dillon and Funkhouser:

H. B. 4673 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §12-11-1, §12-11-2, §12-11-3, §12-11-4, §12-11-5, §12-11-6, §12-11-7, §12-11-8, and §12-11-9, and to amend and reenact §47-6-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating generally to the use of gold and silver as legal tender in the state of West Virginia; defining terms; authorizing the State Treasurer to establish the West Virginia Bullion Depository within the State Treasury; making the State Treasurer the administrator of the depository; providing that deposits are held in trust for account holders and are not subject to

appropriation; prohibiting payment of interest on deposits; establishing the West Virginia Bullion Depository administrative account; setting forth the duties of the administrator; enumerating the powers of the administrator; setting forth requirements for deposits; authorizing the depository to issue transactional currency; requiring the administrator to promulgate legislative rules and emergency rules subject to certain requirements; exempting depository account contents from state taxation; providing for the confidentiality of depository records; recognizing gold coin issued by the United States as legal tender in West Virginia; and recognizing bullion, specie, and transaction currency, issued by the depository, as legal tender in West Virginia"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Anders, Dillon, Kimble, Kump, Brooks, Clark, Bell and Horst:

H. B. 4674 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2R-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §16-2R-10, relating to the unborn child protection act; providing definitions; prohibiting the use or sale of abortifacients, creating criminal penalties; and creating a private cause of action"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Foggin, Kimble, Kump, Brooks, Clark and Dillon:

H. B. 4675 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-20-10, §16-13-16, and §16-13D-15 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, relating to prohibiting municipality, county, locality, or other governmental entity from assessing a fee to property owners based upon the stormwater, runoff, rain or any like fee"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Anders, Foggin, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Kimble, Kump, Bell, Horst and Dillon:

H. B. 4676 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-1A-12, relating to eliminating the open fields doctrine in this state"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Foggin, Dillon, Kimble, Clark, Bell, Horst and Kump:

H. B. 4677 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to powers and duties of natural resources police officers; requiring natural resources officers to obtain consent of landowner or warrant prior to entering private property; and providing exceptions"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Foggin, Kimble, Brooks, Bell, Dillon, Funkhouser and Kump:

H. B. 4678 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-3, §61-7-6, and §61-7-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing those persons 18 to 20 years old to be able to carry a concealed deadly weapon without a permit, as is presently allowed for those persons 21 years and older"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Foggin, Dillon, Kimble, Kump, Bell and Horst:

H. B. 4679 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding three new sections, designated §7-28-1, §7A-9-1, and §8-40-1, relating to county commissions and officers, consolidated local government, and municipal corporations; and prohibiting counties, towns, and municipalities from using tax money to hire lobbyists to represent the counties, towns, and municipalities at state level"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kimble, Kump, Brooks, Bell, Dillon and Funkhouser:

H. B. 4680 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §15-5-31, relating to ensuring that religious services and houses of worship remain open during any declared state of emergency by the Governor of West Virginia; providing for a cause of action; establishing a two-year statute of limitations to file suit; and providing an effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Kimble, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Kump and Dillon:

H. B. 4681 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §55-7-30 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating civil liability for pharmaceutical companies for damages resulting from the Covid-19 vaccination"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Kump, Kimble, Horst, Ferrell and Dillon:

H. B. 4682 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §15-17-1, §15-17-2, §15-17-3, §15-17-4, §15-17-5, and §15-17-6; relating to public safety; prohibiting law-enforcement officers and political subdivision officials from utilizing certain surveillance and artificial intelligence technologies; setting forth legislative findings and short title; creating criminal penalties; and creating a private cause of action"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Kimble, Kump and Dillon:

H. B. 4683 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding an article designated §22-26A-1, §22-26A-2, §22-26A-3, §22-26A-4, §22-26A-5, §22-26A-6, §22-26A-7, §22-26A-8, §22-26A-9, §22-26A-10, and §22-26A-11, all relating to protecting groundwater and aquifers from depletion from use by data centers, providing permitted cooling methods and water sources, prohibiting certain practices and protected water sources from being used, providing penalties, providing pre-construction requirements, establishing monitoring and metering transparency, place limitations on rulemaking, and establishing severability"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Dillon, White, Kimble, Kump, Brooks and Bell:

H. B. 4684 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-13NN-1, §11-13NN-2, and §11-13NN-3, relating to eliminating the tax credit for solar, wind, or other renewable energy systems; providing definitions and restrictions for maintaining renewable energy systems"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kimble, Kump, Bell, Horst and Hornby:

H. B. 4685 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-6-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing the concealed carry of firearms on and in Capitol grounds"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Dillon, White, Kump and Funkhouser:

H. B. 4686 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-2-28 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to wildlife resources; and providing that a hunting license is only required for public land"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kimble, Kump, Bell and Funkhouser:

H. B. 4687 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §31A-10-1, §31A-10-2, §31A-10-3, §31A-10-4, §31A-10-5, §31A-10-6, §31A-10-7, §31A-10-8, §31A-10-9, §31A-10-10, §31A-10-11, §31A-10-12, §31A-10-13, §31A-10-14,

§31A-10-15, §31A-10-16, §31A-10-17, §31A-10-18, §31A-10-19, §31A-10-20, §31A-10-21, §31A-10-22, §31A-10-23, §31A-10-24, §31A-10-25, §31A-10-26, §31A-10-27, §31A-10-28, §31A-10-29, §31A-10-30, §31A-10-31, §31A-10-32, and §31A-10-33; relating to establishing the State Bank of West Virginia as a depository for bullion and specie within the State Treasurer's office; setting definitions; describing the State Bank's responsibilities; requiring the Treasurer to promulgate rules; creating a State Bank Administrator; setting forth the administrator's qualifications, duties, and responsibilities; enabling the Treasurer to hire security; describing which persons and entities may open State Bank accounts and make deposits thereto; requiring the State Bank to keep and report records; requiring deposit standards; providing the process for deposits, withdrawals, and transfers; limiting causes of action; enabling the Treasurer to establish fees, charges, and penalties, prohibiting the State Bank from paying interest; creating liens on certain obligations; permitting investments; permitting fiduciary's to act on behalf of account holders; describing trust procedures; requiring State Bank to recognize powers of attorney; permitting State Bank to enter transactions and relationships with other entities; prohibiting State Bank from engaging in certain actions; providing that enumerated State Bank actions are void ab initio; requiring Treasurer to establish exchange rate and establish tax and accounting procedures; requiring Treasurer to remit annual report to the governor and legislature; providing for confidentiality; permitting State Bank to utilize agents and share information; requiring periodic reports; and permitting Treasurer to acquire and lease real property"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Anders, Foggin, Kump and Bell:

H. B. 4688 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-2-5 and §20-2-22a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to eliminating the ban on baiting in all counties for game animals"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Anders, Funkhouser, White, Kump and Ferrell:

H. B. 4689 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §1-1-6, relating to admitting localities or territories contiguous to the borders of West Virginia into the state for all purposes and responsibilities"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Willis, Dean, Bell, Stephens and Ellington:

H. B. 4690 - "A Bill to repeal §18-2E-5, §18-2E-12, §18-2I-1, §18-3-13, and §18-8-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to repealing obsolete and outdated sections of the Education code"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Anders, Coop-Gonzalez, White and Kimble:

H. B. 4691 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-4 and §3-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to voting in the state; requiring that voting shall be by paper ballot; and providing that only active members of the United States Armed Forces, which consist of six services: the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, and the Coast Guard, or persons who are handicapped and disabled may vote absentee ballots"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders and Dillon:

H. B. 4692 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-5-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring a full legislative vote regarding all Gubernatorial declarations of a state of preparedness or state of emergency"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Willis, Dean, Eldridge, Hornby, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Ellington, Hite, Hott, Toney and Stephens:

H. B. 4693 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18B-3C-17, relating to the declassification of community and technical

college instructors, as well as certain high school instructors; allowing counties to provide additional funding to instructors in areas of critical need; and continuing state funding"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Drennan, Hornby, Hite, Crouse, Moore, Dittman, Kyle, Leavitt, Stephens and Foggin:

H. B. 4694 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17B-2-12a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to driver's license renewals; and requiring the Division of Motor Vehicles to deactivate bar codes on expired or expiring licenses when a person renews their license"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Vance, Martin, Brooks, Akers, Maynor, McGeehan, Dean, Bridges, Pritt, Toney and Hornby:

H. B. 4695 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-8B-5, §61-8B-9, §61-8D-5 and §61-8D-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the criminal penalties for the offenses of sexual assault in the third degree, sexual abuse in the third degree, and for sending, distributing, exhibiting, possessing, displaying, or transporting material by a parent, guardian, or custodian, or person in a position of trust, depicting a child engaged in sexually explicit conduct, and increasing the criminal penalty for and adding attempt to the offense of sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, custodian, or person in a position of trust to a child"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anderson, Fehrenbacher, Zatezalo, Street and Chiarelli:

H. B. 4696 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22-2-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to deposit funds granted pursuant to federal programs, including the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the federal Safeguarding Treatment for the Restoration of Ecosystems from Abandoned Mines Act, into the state Abandoned Land Reclamation Fund"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4697 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to required courses of instruction in education; and requiring that any student in the 11th or 12th grade, who has been placed in a 'free' or 'teacher-assistant' period or class, be informed of online college course opportunities available for them"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4698 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section designated §18-2-9c, relating to requiring all students enrolled in grades nine through twelve (9-12) to be provided with adoption awareness material upon request"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4699 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-13NN-1, relating to the creation of an incentive for employers to hire persons who are pursuing a formal program of recovery from substance abuse issues; allowing an employer to claim a tax credit for employing eligible individuals, with limits based upon the employer's total number of employees overall; and providing for an effective date"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4700 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17-4-8 and §31-2A-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to use of state roads for rail crossing; requiring cooperation between the rail company and the Division of Highways when construction or maintenance activities are conducted by the company; and requiring railroad companies to provide alternative entry and exit ways in certain circumstances"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4701 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18C-10-1, §18C-10-2, §18C-10-3, and §18C-10-4, relating to the creation of the West Virginia Math, Science and Special Education Teacher Scholarship Act; providing for a short title; providing for legislative findings and purpose; establishing the West Virginia Math, Science and Special Education Teacher Scholarship Act; requiring funding; setting forth the amount of scholarship money to be paid to educators who satisfy the thresholds; and creating a sunset provision"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4702 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8A-7-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing minimum lot sizes from zoning ordinances"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegate Chiarelli:

H. B. 4703 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section designated §9-5-34, relating to adding Medicaid coverage of lymphedema compression treatment items and off-the-shelf orthopedic braces"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegate Holstein:

H. B. 4704 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-15-9v, relating to exempting daylight fluorescent orange outer garments from sales tax during the first two weeks in November"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Chiarelli and Holstein:

H. B. 4705 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-2-47, relating to requiring a moment of silence at the beginning of each school day; providing legislative findings; forbidding teachers from making suggestions as to the nature of the reflection that students may engage in during the moment of silence; and encouraging parents to discuss with their children what they should consider during the moment of silence"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Holstein and T. Howell:

H. B. 4706 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §39-1-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authentication and recordation of writings; and requiring purchasers of real property to record their deed within three months upon closing of the transaction"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Holstein and Chiarelli:

H. B. 4707 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §7-28-1; to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §8-40-1; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-15-26, relating to hotel and motel housing vouchers; prohibiting city or town from requiring hotel or motel

participation in housing voucher programs; prohibiting county from requiring hotel or motel participation in housing voucher programs; and prohibiting a housing authority from requiring hotel or motel participation in housing voucher programs"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Holstein, Hornby and T. Howell:

H. B. 4708 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-2-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to clarifying the amount of time a substitute teacher holding a restricted substitute teacher permit may teach long term"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Holstein, T. Howell and J. Cannon:

H. B. 4709 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-45 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to legal standing of the West Virginia Legislature in court actions related to unauthorized changes to election laws and rules; and defining its right to intervene in such litigation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Holstein and Horst:

H. B. 4710 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-5-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections and certificate of announcements; and changing the time limit on switching parties before filing to run office prior to an election"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Holstein, Chiarelli and Horst:

H. B. 4711 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §8A-7A-1 and §8A-7A-2, relating to land use planning; and prohibiting municipalities from adopting certain regulations in relation to accessory dwelling units"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Holstein, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), T. Howell, J. Cannon and Chiarelli:

H. B. 4712 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17C-5-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to Baylea's Law and increasing penalties for DUI causing injury or death"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Holstein, Hornby, Chiarelli, J. Cannon and T. Howell:

H. B. 4713 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-21-12o, relating to exempting cash tips from personal income tax"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Holstein, Moore, Roop, Heckert, Chiarelli, Kyle, J. Cannon, Mallow, Masters, Mazzocchi and Parsons:

H. B. 4714 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22-15A-5 and §22C-4-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to litter pickup; expanding the participation of programs; providing incentives for participation; and enhancing public safety"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates White, Crouse, Parsons, Masters, Anders, Dillon, Kump, Coop-Gonzalez, Leavitt, Sheedy and Eldridge:

H. B. 4715 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-3E-1, §30-3E-3, §30-3E-4, §30-3E-9, §30-3E-12, §30-3E-13, §30-3E-14, §30-3E-15, §30-3E-16, §30-3E-17, §30-7-1, §30-7-3, §30-7-4, §30-7-6b, §30-7-15, and §30-7-15b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and to repeal §30-3E-10a and §30-3E-11, relating to empowering qualified physician assistants and certified nurse

practitioners to practice without the supervision of a physician"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Roop, Adkins, Watt, Bridges, Browning and Stephens:

H. B. 4716 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17-3A-1, §17-3A-2, §17-3A-3, and §17-3A-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to enhancing the flexibility, responsiveness, and economic development potential of the Industrial Access Road Fund"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

First Reading

The following bills on first reading, coming up in regular order, were each read a first time and ordered to second reading:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4005, Skills to work,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4007, Relating to industrial access roads,

H. B. 4008, Relating to Business Ready Sites Program,

H. B. 4081, To create the Higher Education Health and Aid Grant,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4196, To offer long-acting reversible contraception to patients receiving methadone and suboxone at the treatment facility for the methadone and suboxone,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4335, Relating to Medicaid providers,

And,

H. B. 4352, Prohibiting cameras and recording devices in bedrooms and bathrooms of foster children.

Miscellaneous Business

Pursuant to House Rule 94b, forms were filed with the Clerk's Office to be added as a cosponsor of the following:

H. B. 4028: Delegate Hott;

H. B. 4053: Delegates Moore and Pinson;

H. B. 4081: Delegate Heckert;

H. B. 4088: Delegates Jeffries and Young;

H. B. 4089: Delegate Moore;

H. B. 4185: Delegate Phillips;

H. B. 4385: Delegate Pinson;

H. B. 4390: Delegate Heckert;

H. B. 4393: Delegate Heckert;

H. B. 4418: Delegate Funkhouser;

H. B. 4474: Delegate Moore;

H. B. 4582: Delegates Crouse, Funkhouser, and Ridenour;

H. B. 4593: Delegate Anderson;

H. B. 4617: Delegate Adkins;

H. B. 4619: Delegate Adkins;

H. B. 4628: Delegate Kump;

H. B. 4677: Delegate Kump;

H. B. 4676: Delegate Kump;

And,

H. B. 4861: Delegate Bell.

Pursuant to House Rule 94b, a form was filed with the Clerk's Office to be removed as a cosponsor of the following:

H. B. 4085: Delegate Hornby;

H. B. 4683: Delegate Bell;

H. B. 4684: Delegate Bell;

H. B. 4687: Delegate Bell;

And,

H. C. R. 7: Delegate Kump.

At 11:27 a.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 22, 2026.

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SPECIAL CALENDAR

Thursday, January 22, 2026

9th Day

11:00 A.M.

SECOND READING

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4005 - Skills to work
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FIRST READING

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4002 - Establishing the West Virginia Collaboratory
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4022 - CPS Allocation
- Com. Sub. For H. B. 4354 - Relating to necessity allowance
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4433 - Prohibiting Human Smuggling and Trafficking

HOUSE CALENDAR

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11:00 A.M.

No Bills

WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2026

HOUSE CONVENES AT 11:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

9:00 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS

9:45 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

10:00 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES

10:15 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

1:00 P.M. – EAST WING COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, COMMERCE AND TOURISM

2:00 P.M. – EAST WING COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION CHOICE

1:00 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM 434M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

1:30 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM 434M

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

2:00 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM 434M

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND PUBLIC WORKS

3:00 P.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

3:30 P.M. – EAST WING COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

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