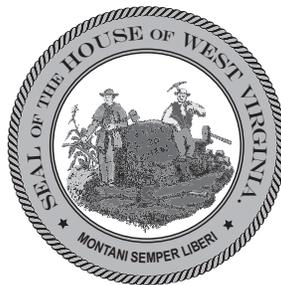


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[DELEGATE HANSHAW, MR. SPEAKER, IN THE CHAIR]

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 Wednesday, January 21, 2026, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

**Committee Reports**

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. 4169**, Relating to mental health examination requirements.,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4169** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7A-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to petitions to regain the right to possess firearms; aligning mental health examination requirements with those required for involuntary hospitalizations; and providing for the qualifications of certain professionals authorize to sign a verified certificate of mental health examination,"

And,

**H. B. 4364**, Relating to concurrent juvenile jurisdiction on military installations,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4364** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §1-1-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §1-1-6; and to amend and reenact §49-4-701 of the code, relating to concurrent jurisdiction for juveniles on military installations; providing a process for requesting, accepting, and recording concurrent jurisdiction over military installations in West Virginia, and authorizing cooperation agreements between state, local, and federal agencies; and establishing that West Virginia courts have concurrent jurisdiction over juveniles who commit state law juvenile delinquency or status offense on federal military installations when federal courts waive exclusive jurisdiction,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitutes each 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. 4299**, Relating to authorizing the Board of Optometry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the Board of Optometry,

**H. B. 4300**, Relating to authorizing the Board of Optometry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to oral pharmaceutical certificates,

**H. B. 4301**, Relating to authorizing the Board of Optometry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to schedule of fees,

**H. B. 4302**, Relating to authorizing the Board of Optometry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to licensure by reciprocity,

And,

**H. B. 4303**, Relating to authorizing the Board of Optometry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to continuing education,

And reports the same back with the recommendation that they each do pass, but that they first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bills (H. B. 4299, H. B. 4300, H. B. 4301, H. B. 4302 and H. B. 4303) were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. 4215, H. B. 4216, H. B. 4217, H. B. 4218, H. B. 4219, H. B. 4220, H. B. 4221, H. B. 4222, H. B. 4223, H. B. 4224, H. B. 4225, H. B. 4226, H. B. 4227, H. B. 4228 and H. B. 4229,**

Authorizing certain agencies of the Department of Health, the Office of Inspector General, and the Department of Health Facilities to promulgate legislative rules,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4215** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §64-5-1 *et seq.* of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, to amend and reenact §64-5B-1 *et seq.* of the Code, and to amend the Code by adding thereto a new article, designated §64-5C-1; relating to authorizing certain agencies of the Department of Health, the Office of Inspector General, and the Department of Health Facilities to promulgate legislative rules; authorizing the rules as filed, as modified, as amended, and as amended and modified by the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to water well regulations; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to lead abatement licensing; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to emergency medical services; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to fees for services; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative

rule relating to clinical laboratory practitioner licensure; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to distribution of state funds for support of local boards of health; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to basic public health service standards for local boards of health; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to diabetes self-management education; and authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the exemption from Certificate of Need; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to nursing home licensure; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to delegation of medication administration and health maintenance tasks to approved medication assistive personnel; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to assisted living residences; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to syringe services program licensure; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to behavioral health centers licensure; and authorizing the Department of Health Facilities to promulgate a legislative rule relating to patient rights at state-operated mental health facilities,"

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. 4422**, To permit students in eighth and ninth grade to attend summer school in order to raise their grades and establish academic eligibility to play sports in the fall,

And reports the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

Delegate Criss, Chair of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Finance has had under consideration:

**H. B. 4028**, Relating to sales tax on construction materials,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4028** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-15-8d the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to sales tax exemption for certain materials used in construction of public school facilities,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

### **Resolutions Introduced**

Resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

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

**By Delegates Gearheart, Ellington, Cooper, Canterbury, Anderson, Campbell, Ridenour, Butler, Hillenbrand, Hornbuckle and Maynor:**

**H. C. R. 13** --"Commemorating the life and the passing of Senator Tony Eugene Whitlow, gentleman, devoted and loyal public servant and statesman"; to the Committee on Rules.

On motion for leave, a Joint Resolution was introduced and referred as follows:

**By Delegate Worrell:**

**H. J. R. 24** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending Article III thereof by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, relating to the right to refuse any medical treatment, injection, device, vaccine, or prophylactic; numbering and designating such proposed amendment and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

And,

**By Delegate Dillon:**

**H. J. R. 25** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, amending section two, article XII thereof, providing for the election of the state superintendent of free schools in the general election; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

### **Bills Introduced**

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

**By Delegates Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker) and Hornbuckle**

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

**H. B. 4717** - "A Bill making a supplementary appropriation of public moneys out of the Treasury from the balance of federal moneys remaining unappropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, to the Department of Health, Central Office, fund 8802, fiscal year 2026, organization 0506, by supplementing and amending the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Funkhouser, Kump, Ridenour, Ferrell, Marple, Heckert, Phillips, Kimble, Martin, Butler and Horst:**

**H. B. 4718** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17E-1-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the Uniform Commercial Driver's License Act; adding identification requirements for nonresident persons operating a commercial vehicle in West Virginia; providing that those persons possess a valid work visa and provide proof of citizenship to validate his or her identity while operating a commercial motor vehicle and that they demonstrate proficiency of the English language sufficient to converse with the general public, understand highway traffic signs and signals in the English language; respond to official inquiries, and make entries on reports and records; allowing the Commissioner to adopt the Even Exchange Program of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), a military skills test waiver; and relating to providing misdemeanor penalties and fines for violations"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Crouse, Kump and White:**

**H. B. 4719** - "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 the elimination of mandatory state inspections of motor vehicles"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

**By Delegate Coop-Gonzalez:**

**H. B. 4720** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5G-8 and §18-5G-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §18-5G-18, relating to creating the Sustaining Opportunities for Academics in Rural Schools Act"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegates Hillenbrand and Worrell:**

**H. B. 4721** - "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 crystalline polymorph psilocybin approved by the Food and Drug Administration and the Drug Enforcement Administration"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Heckert, McCormick, D. Cannon, Adkins, Stephens, Roop, Crouse, Marple, Browning, Masters and G. Howell:**

**H. B. 4722** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §61-5B-1, relating to false judicial accusations; providing definitions; creating an offense; creating criminal penalties; providing remedies; creating enhanced penalties; and providing a confidential registry"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Pritt:**

**H. B. 4723** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, by adding a new section, designated §17C-14-16, relating to prohibiting the operation of a 'squatted vehicle' in West Virginia; providing for a definition; and providing for penalties"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Pritt, Chiarelli and Bridges:**

**H. B. 4724** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §33-15-23 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to insurance copayments for certain services; and capping copays at \$500 a year for insureds who are terminally ill until death"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Akers, Martin and Ferrell:**

**H. B. 4725** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-8-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to cruelty to animals; clarifying that a court may enter an order for the return of an animal following a dismissal; clarifying the length a time persons convicted of offenses may be subject to prohibitions on possessing animals; and creating penalties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Pritt, Foggin, Bridges, Crouse, White and T. Howell:**

**H. B. 4726** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-129 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to aftercare services for foster children; and requiring the department prioritize housing applications for foster children who have turned 18 years of age"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Pritt, Brooks, Stephens, Foggin, Shamblin, Jordan, Toney, Dittman, Bell, Ferrell and Bridges:**

**H. B. 4727** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing a 25% pay increase for state teachers across all salary scales"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4728** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §17C-6-12, relating to requiring the use of hazard lights on highways when traveling more than 10 miles below the speed limit"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegates Sheedy, Dittman, Drennan, Petitto, Crouse, White, Barnhart, Stephens, Bell, Jordan and Foggin:**

**H. B. 4729** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §31D-1-131 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring the West Virginia Secretary of State to obtain and issue state tax identification numbers to businesses and ensure businesses have a valid tax identification number"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Burkhammer:**

**H. B. 4730** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §49-2-129a, relating to the development of a continuum of services and supports for youth who are preparing to exit foster care or who have aged out of that care"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4731** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §8A-14-1, §8A-14-2, §8A-14-3, §8A-14-4, §8A-14-5, and §8A-14-6, relating to establishing the By-Right Housing Development Act to streamline the approval process for development when that proposed development meets all the rules for such development in a given community"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4732** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section designated §8A-7-14, relating to zoning ordinances; providing definitions; prohibiting municipalities from adopting certain regulations in relation to accessory dwelling units; providing criteria and guidelines for zoning regulations; and providing an effective date"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4733** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §33-57-2, relating to mandating coverage for breastfeeding and lactation consultants; defining terms; and authorizing a state plan amendment"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4734** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-15-9v, relating to consumers sales and service tax; providing definitions; and exempting infant and certain hygiene products from consumer sales taxation"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4735** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §12-11-1, §12-11-2, and §12-11-3, all relating to creating the Corporate Anti-Subsidy Act; permitting West Virginia to enter into the Interstate Compact Agreement Prohibiting Company-Specific Subsidies; and setting a level playing field that would abolish the nationwide

practice of company-specific subsidies that currently pits states against one another"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4736** - "A Bill to repeal §60-2-17b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the establishment of the Wine and Liquor Operations Fund and operations fee"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4737** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-12-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing a municipality to regulate apartment buildings' stairway requirements"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4738** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §7-1-3uu, relating to the ability of the county authority to impose a vacancy tax on vacant or mostly vacant structures; providing for a legislative purpose; granting authority; providing for definitions; providing for the imposition of vacancy tax; providing for notice and appeal; providing for collection and lien; creating exemptions; and providing rulemaking authority"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Young and Fluharty:**

**H. B. 4739** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding 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, and §12-11-8, all relating to the creation of the Junk Fee Prevention Act; setting forth a short title; providing for the purpose; providing for legislative findings; setting forth definitions; defining deceptive pricing methods, acts, and practices; providing for private rights of action; creating actions by the Attorney General; providing limitations; and providing for preemption"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker) and Hornbuckle**

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

**H. B. 4740** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-7a, §30-3-12, and §30-14-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and by creating a new section, designated §5A-3-3d, related to making certain changes consistent with the State of West Virginia's commitments to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services in the West Virginia's Rural Health Transformation Program; exempting implementation of the program from purchasing restrictions; adopting the Presidential Fitness Test; requiring the Board of Medicine and Board of Osteopathic Medicine to require the completion of continuing medical education credits in nutrition; and providing rule making authority"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4741** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-21-71c, relating to tax on income for natural resources royalty payments received from lessees; defining terms; providing for withholding of estimated tax liabilities from natural resources royalty payments by lessees; providing that withheld amounts be paid by lessees to the Tax Commissioner; providing for refunds for overpayment; requiring annual withholding statements, reconciliation, and filing requirements; requiring electronic filing under specified circumstances; providing for criminal and civil penalties in certain circumstances for non-compliance; providing for rulemaking; and providing an effective date"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4742** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section designated §9A-1-17, relating to veteran's benefits; and creating a poster providing contact information and resource information on veteran benefits and services; clarifying employers required to display the poster; and clarifying how to display the poster"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4743** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17-2A-14 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to disposition of surplus materials, including asphalt grindings or millings, by the Commissioner of Highways"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4744** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing for the increase of the salary of elected county officials to reflect the current rate of inflation"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

**By Delegates Sheedy and Bell:**

**H. B. 4745** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to prohibiting rate increases for West Virginia electric rate payers to fund the building of additional transmission lines for the transmission of power to another state"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegates Holstein, Maynor, Willis, Hornby, J. Cannon, Funkhouser and Linville:**

**H. B. 4746** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §5A-3-64, relating to establishment of the First Amendment Preservation Act; providing short title and purpose; providing definitions; prohibiting state contracts with media monitoring organizations; requiring written certifications that state purchasing contracts are in compliance with the act; and clarifying the applicability of the act to state contracts"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4747** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §30-44-1, §30-44-2, §30-44-3, §30-44-4, §30-44-5, §30-44-6, §30-44-7, §30-44-8, §30-44-9, §30-44-10, §30-44-11, §30-44-12, and §30-44-13, relating to creating the Certified Professional Midwife Licensing and Regulation Act"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4748** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §31D-1-132, relating to creating a digital wallet to collect and organize learning and employment records, certifications, and licensures on the Secretary of State's one-stop business portal; defining responsibilities for maintenance; and defining what types of information can be stored in the digital wallet"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Worrell and Hite:**

**H. B. 4749** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-126 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to adding requirements to the foster child bill of rights"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Hite, Worrell, Drennan, Leavitt and McCormick:**

**H. B. 4750** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §15-12-11, relating to prohibiting sex offenders from residing near schools and similarly situated facilities; and providing for exceptions"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Hite, Chiarelli, J. Cannon, Hornby, Browning, Kyle, Willis and Maynor:**

**H. B. 4751** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-5-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing the date for the primary election for the office of the President of United States"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Hite and Worrell:**

**H. B. 4752** - "A Bill to repeal §55-2-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to Entry upon or recovery of lands"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Ridenour, Jennings, Butler, Linville, Hillenbrand, Mallow, Martin, Mazzocchi, Marple, Kimble and Kump:**

**H. B. 4753** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-8-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §3-8-8a; and to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §24-3-2a, relating to certain contributions by public utilities; providing definition of a public utility; prohibiting public utilities from making contributions from funds derived from rate payers to political candidates or campaigns, political action committees, groups that can make contributions to political candidates, campaigns, or political action committees; creating criminal offense and penalties for violation; and prohibiting charitable contributions by public utilities to charitable organizations"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 4754** - "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 Delegates Ridenour, Kump, Butler, Masters, Hillenbrand, Funkhouser, Ward, Mallow, Kimble and Martin:**

**H. B. 4755** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-11-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to adding aggregated vehicular homicide, driving under the influence causing serious bodily injury, and third offense driving under the influence as qualifying offenses for enhanced sentencing of a repeat offender"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Flanigan, G. Howell, Marple, Martin, Ridenour, Hillenbrand, Phillips, Roop, Zatezalo, Akers and Maynor:**

**H. B. 4756** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17E-1-25 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to automatic treble compensatory damages being fined every time a commercial truck driver who does not comprehend the English language causes an accident in West Virginia"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Butler, Martin, Dillon, Brooks, Crouse, Dean, Kimble, Mazzocchi, Ridenour, Coop-Gonzalez and Masters:**

**H. B. 4757** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-1D-1, relating to establishing privacy rights regarding medical treatments"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Ferrell, Funkhouser, Phillips, Sheedy, Hall, Ridenour, Brooks, McGeehan, Crouse, Shamblin and Maynor:**

**H. B. 4758** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-11-8, and §62-12-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to parole eligibility; modifying the parole eligibility for inmates serving life sentences and those who have been convicted of murder of the first degree; and

modifying parole eligibility for attempted crimes of murder of the first degree"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Ferrell, Parsons, Rohrbach, Hall, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Campbell, Clark, Heckert, Barnhart, Kump and Marple:**

**H. B. 4759** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-25, §18-2-25e, and §29A-3A-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §18-2-25f, relating generally to the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission; clarifying rulemaking authority; allowing the commission to pull the coaching credentials under certain circumstances; requiring that the commission modify its rules regarding athletic eligibility after transferring schools; requiring that the commission may modify its rules regarding incoming ninth grade student academic eligibility requirements; and updating rulemaking definitions"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegates Burkhammer and Worrell:**

**H. B. 4760** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §33-59A-1, relating to health; and requiring insurance to cover costs for dietary supplements and nutrition prescriptions"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegates Funkhouser, Akers, Ward, J. Cannon, Ferrell, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), McCormick, Ellington, Phillips, Ridenour and Hall:**

**H. B. 4761** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-2-3, §61-11-8, and §62-12-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to parole eligibility; modifying eligibility for the crimes of murder in the second degree, modifying the parole eligibility for inmates serving life sentences and those who have been convicted of first degree murder; and modifying eligibility for attempted crimes of murder in the first and second degree; and permitting the prosecutor and the victim's families to attend the parole hearings remotely or in person"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Funkhouser, Hornby, J. Cannon, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), McGeehan, Ellington, Foggin, Clark, Ferrell, Rohrbach and Horst:**

**H. B. 4762** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-10-8 and §30-10-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing reciprocity for veterinarians who are licensed in other states to practice veterinary medicine; providing the process and requirements; providing reciprocity to veterinary technicians who are licensed to practice in other states and providing the process and requirements for that reciprocal license; providing a new licensure for graduates of foreign veterinary schools to practice in a certified specialty area; creating a special permit for Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates participants and Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence participants; and creating a temporary license for graduates awaiting licensure that will authorize practice under existing licensed veterinarians' supervision; providing for rule-making"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. B. 4763** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §17-3A-1, relating to the creating expectations for the removal of 'flagger ahead' signs on WV roadways"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

**Special Calendar**

**Second Reading**

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4005**, Skills to work; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, the bill was postponed one day.

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4007**, Relating to industrial access roads; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**H. B. 4008**, Relating to Business Ready Sites Program; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**H. B. 4081**, To create the Higher Education Health and Aid Grant.; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

**On motion of Delegate Young, the amendment was adopted.**

Delegate Young moves to amend HB4081 on page 1, Section 3, line 6, following the words "spent on" by inserting the words "food, including but not limited to".

The bill was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

**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; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, the bill was postponed one day.

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4335**, Relating to Medicaid providers; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

And,

**H. B. 4352**, Prohibiting cameras and recording devices in bedrooms and bathrooms of foster children; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

### **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. 4002**, Establishing the West Virginia Collaboratory,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4022**, CPS Allocation,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4354**, Relating to necessity allowance,

And,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4433**, Prohibiting Human Smuggling and Trafficking.

**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. 4052:** Delegate Green;
- H. B. 4060:** Delegate Kump;
- H. B. 4080:** Delegate Funkhouser;
- H. B. 4088:** Delegate Fehrenbacher;
- H. B. 4137:** Delegate Funkhouser;
- H. B. 4138:** Delegate Pinson;
- H. B. 4393:** Delegate Pinson;
- H. B. 4356:** Delegate Pinson;
- H. B. 4396:** Delegate Pinson;
- H. B. 4397:** Delegate Pinson;
- H. B. 4436:** Delegate Brooks;
- H. B. 4546:** Delegate Gearheart;
- H. B. 4551:** Delegate Toney;
- H. B. 4653:** Delegate Funkhouser;
- H. B. 4719:** Delegates Kump and White;

And,

- H. J. R. 25:** Delegate Kump.

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. 4672:** Delegate Bell;
- H. B. 4673:** Delegate Bell;
- H. B. 4674:** Delegate Bell;
- H. B. 4676:** Delegate Bell;
- H. B. 4677:** Delegate Bell;

**H. B. 4678:** Delegate Bell;

**H. B. 4679:** Delegate Bell;

**H. B. 4680:** Delegate Bell;

**H. B. 4685:** Delegate Bell;

**H. B. 4687:** Delegate Bell;

And,

**H. B. 4688:** Delegate Bell.

At 11:29 a.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 23, 2026.  
On motions for leave,

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**HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
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## **SPECIAL CALENDAR**

**Friday, January 23, 2026**

**10th Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

### **THIRD READING**

- 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. 4335 - Relating to Medicaid providers
- H. B. 4352 - Prohibiting cameras and recording devices in bedrooms and bathrooms of foster children

### **SECOND READING**

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4002 - Establishing the West Virginia Collaboratory
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4005 - Skills to work
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4022 - CPS Allocation
- 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. 4354 - Relating to necessity allowance
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4433 - Prohibiting Human Smuggling and Trafficking

### **FIRST READING**

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4028 - Relating to sales tax on construction materials
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4169 - Relating to mental health examination requirements.
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4215 - Department of Health Rules Bundle
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4364 - Relating to concurrent juvenile jurisdiction on military installations
- H. B. 4422 - To permit students in eighth and ninth grade to attend summer school in order to raise their grades and establish academic eligibility to play sports in the fall.

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Friday, January 23, 2026**

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**11:00 A.M.**

No Bills

# **WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

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**FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2026**

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**HOUSE CONVENES AT 11:00 A.M.**

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**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**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
1:00 P.M. – EAST WING COMMITTEE ROOM 215E**



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