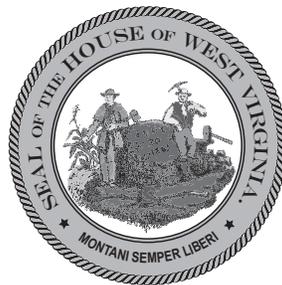


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[DELEGATE HANSHAW, MR. SPEAKER, IN THE CHAIR]

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 Monday, February 2, 2026, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

**Committee Reports**

Delegate Anderson, Chair of the Committee on Energy and Public Works submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Energy and Public Works has had under consideration:

**H. B. 4461**, Establishing limitations on billing practices of Internet or telecommunications providers that fail to provide subscribed customers service for five or more days,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4461** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended by adding a new section designated §46A-9-1, relating to establishing limitations on billing practices of Internet or telecommunications providers that fail to provide subscribed customers service for five or more days (120 hours); setting forth the purpose of the section; providing definitions; requiring providers to automatically credit the customer's account for the lack of service proportional to the number of days of disrupted services; establishing civil penalties; designating Attorney General to enforce section; requiring providers provide certain data to the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General and establishing confidentiality of same; and providing these provisions do not apply to mobile service disruptions,"

And reports the same back with the recommendation that it do pass, and with the recommendation that second reference to the Committee on the Judiciary be dispensed with.

In the absence of objection, reference of the bill (H. B. 4461) to the Committee on the Judiciary was abrogated.

Delegate Anderson, Chair of the Committee on Energy and Public Works submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Energy and Public Works has had under consideration:

**H. B. 4489**, Authorizing the DMV to issue certain vital records in the custody of the state registrar,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4489** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-5-5, §16-5-29, and §16-5-34 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §16-5-39, relating to authorizing the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue certain vital records in the custody of the State Registrar; requiring the Division of Motor Vehicles to adhere to the State Registrar's rules; authorizing the Division of Motor Vehicles to collect a fee for issuing vital records, providing a fee structure, and directing the Division to transmit those fees to the State Registrar monthly; defining terms; creating a special revenue account for receipt of those fees and providing requirements for dispersal of those fees; requiring the State Registrar to create a certificate of divorce and providing the requirements for that certificate; requiring the Cabinet Secretary of the Department of Health and Commissioner of the Division of Motor Vehicles to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to implement a program that allows the Division of Motor Vehicles access to certain vital records to issue to customers; providing the guidelines to be followed in that Memorandum, including security guidelines; providing requirements for the use of certain paper for printing the relevant vital record documents; specifying that the State Registrar shall remain the sole legal custodian of all vital records and providing oversight of the Division of Motor Vehicles access to these records; providing eligibility standards must mirror those of the State Registrar; and providing for auditing of issuance activities by the State Auditor and the compilation and distribution of an annual report,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass, but that it first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4489) was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Delegate Anderson, Chair of the Committee on Energy and Public Works, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Energy and Public Works has had under consideration:

**H. B. 4012**, Relating to reducing the regulatory burden on utility companies when constructing and maintaining electric power generation and transmission facilities within this state,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4012** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-11, §24-2-11a, and §24-2-11c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to reducing the regulatory burden on utilities when constructing and maintaining facilities within this state; reducing the PSC statutory approval time for certificates of convenience and necessity from 270 to 240 days; reducing the PSC statutory approval time for water and sewer projects from 225 to 190 days; raising the projected cost limitation for extended the approval time for high voltage (220kV and above) transmission lines from \$50 to \$100 million; reducing the extended statutory approval time for high voltage transmission lines from 400 to 360 days; requiring an examination of alternatives to high voltage line construction to include advanced transmission technologies; providing for a PSC waiver for maintenance and repair of high voltage facilities at the commission's discretion; and reducing the PSC statutory approval time for siting certificates from 300 to 270 days,"

And,

**H. B. 4026**, Relating to expanding the requirements for integrated resource plans utility companies must file with the Public Service Commission,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4026** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-2-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to expanding the requirements for Integrated Resource Plans which utility companies must file with the Public Service Commission to include comprehensive analyses of current and potential future uses, cost, and benefits of advanced transmission technologies; defining advanced transmission technologies; providing that IRPs must include detailed economic and technological feasibility for such technologies to optimize grid performance and, thereby, enhance reliability and resiliency; providing that IRPs must also include any other technologies which may to enhance grid performance,"

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. 4770**, Establishing limitations on the use of artificial intelligence and artificial intelligence technology to deliver mental health care, with exceptions for administrative support functions,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4770** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding new sections, thereto designated §5-16-15a, §33-15-4y, §33-16-3ii, §33-24-7z, §33-25-8w, §33-25A-8z; designated §33-57-2, establishing limitations on the use of artificial intelligence to deliver mental health care; providing exceptions; providing civil penalties; and providing rulemaking,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass, but that it first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4770) was referred to the Committee on Finance.

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. 4641**, Relating to codifying the guidelines for nutritionally adequate school breakfasts and lunches,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4641** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5D-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to updating the school nutrition programs; and reflecting federal guidelines,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass, but that it first be referred to the Committee on Education.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4641) was referred to the Committee on Education.

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. 4382**, Require collection agencies to provide 30 days notice prior to wage garnishments,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4382** - "A BILL to amend and reenact §47-16-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring collection agencies to notify debtors of wage garnishments by regular mail 30 days prior to the initial garnishment; and to send monthly statements showing balance owed,"

**H. B. 4552**, Relating to the law-enforcement powers of correctional officers,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4552** - "A BILL to amend §15A-3-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the law-enforcement powers of correctional officers; clarifying that certain employees of the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation are law-enforcement officers; clarifying the powers and duties of the commissioner; clarifying the authority of correctional peace officers; and clarifying that certain correctional officers shall receive identification to carry weapons off duty,"

**H. B. 4570**, To make the posting of a summons in a conspicuous place on rental property acceptable service when a tenant is unavailable for personal service,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4570** - "A BILL to amend and reenact §37-6-5 and §55-3A-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing service of a notice to terminate tenancy upon tenants by posting the notice conspicuously on the premises and secured by reasonable means where it can be readily obtained; also relating to allowing service of the notice of the hearing upon tenants for eviction proceedings to be accomplished by posting the notice conspicuously on the premises and secured by reasonable means where it can be readily obtained; relating to clarifying that the posting of a notice of the hearing upon the rental unit may not be accomplished by the petitioner and must be effectuated by a third party with no interest in the proceedings; related to clarifying that a petitioner that utilizes service of process by posting on the rental unit shall provide the court with a notarized affidavit of proof of service from the third party that effectuated service evidencing service was made upon the tenant in this manner; related to clarifying that this affidavit of proof of service shall evidence that service upon the tenant was made and also shall state the date and time of the posting of the notice of the hearing on the rental unit; also relating to clarifying that photographic evidence demonstrating how notice of the hearing was posted and secured upon the property shall also be attached to the affidavit of proof of service; also related to clarifying that upon receipt of the affidavit of proof of service, the

petitioner shall file with the court his or her petition and the affidavit of proof of service, along with all attachments that are required by §55-3A-1 of the Code of West Virginia,"

And,

**H. B. 4625**, Relating to exemptions from excise taxes,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for 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,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitutes each do pass.

Delegate Phillips, Chair of the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration:

**H. B. 4198**, E-Verify Requirement Act,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4198** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §21-1B-2, §21-1B-5, and §21-1B-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to repeal §21-1B-6, relating to the E-Verify employment verification system; providing a definition; removing certain criminal penalties; revising business-license sanctions; removing prohibition on claiming certain business-expense deductions; providing a safe harbor for an employer that uses the E-Verify employment verification system,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

### **Messages from the Senate**

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 61** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-41 and §3-9-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to prohibiting the acceptance and counting of illegal ballots; prohibiting counting of ballot cast in incorrect precinct and providing exception; prohibiting counting of provisional ballots on election day; removing county commission discretion to disregard technical errors, omissions, or oversights in certain circumstances; and providing criminal penalties for failing to reject ballots or counting ballots in certain circumstances"; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 167** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-8-6e and §11-8-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to meetings of local levying bodies; clarifying when those bodies may conduct late meetings and file late reports; and revising procedure for calculation of reduced levy rates"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 233** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §21-5-5c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to deception examiners; and clarifying the qualifications required to be licensed as a Class I or Class II psychophysiological detection of deception examiner"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, to take effect from passage, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 374** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §64-10-1 *et seq.* of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing certain agencies of the Department of Commerce to promulgate legislative rules; authorizing the rules as filed and as modified by the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee and as amended by the Legislature; authorizing the Division of Economic Development to promulgate a legislative rule relating to tourism development districts; authorizing the Division of Forestry to promulgate a legislative rule relating to rules for the certification of managed timberland; authorizing the Division of Labor to promulgate a legislative rule relating to child labor; authorizing the Office of Miners' Health, Safety, and Training to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the submission and approval of a comprehensive Mine Safety Program for coal mining operations in the State of West Virginia; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to small arms hunting; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to wildlife rehabilitation; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to special boating; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to defining terms used in hunting and trapping; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to prohibitions when hunting and trapping; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to deer hunting; authorizing the Division of Natural Resources to promulgate a legislative rule relating to special migratory game bird hunting; and authorizing the Division of Rehabilitation Services to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the Ron Yost Personal Assistance Services Act Board"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**S. B. 403** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5B-2E-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to expanding the definition of "tourism attraction" to include lodging facility for purposes of the Tourism Development Act credit"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**S. B. 427** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §31-17-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to modifying the type of documentation required to be maintained by a licensed residential mortgage lender, broker, or servicer regarding loan fees or points"; which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced the passage by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House of Delegates in the passage, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 506** - "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 meeting certain criteria, with equipment and systems meeting minimum requirements, and for purposes not prohibited; prohibiting county commissions from levying charges for use of county-owned wireless towers or any portions thereof by public safety operations, the West Virginia Division of Highways, or any other state agencies provided the same requirements are met as for other applicants; mandating county commissions conduct due diligence before permitting use of county-owned wireless towers; and providing that county commissions that conduct due diligence may not be held liable for injuries or damages for entities failing to meet minimum requirements"; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### **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 G. Howell, Anders, Browning, Burkhammer, Butler, Campbell, D. Cannon, J. Cannon, Chiarelli, Clark, Clay, Crouse, Dittman, Ellington, Funkhouser, Hall, Hillenbrand, Hite, Hornby, Horst, Hott, Kump, Kyle, Linville, Marple, Masters, Miller, Moore, Phillips, Ridenour, Rohrbach, Shamblin, B. Smith, Stephens, Toney, B Ward, G. Ward, Willis and Zatezalo:**

**H. R. 6** – "Recognizing the importance of sustained economic development and job creation to the long term prosperity of the State of West Virginia, and the role of reliable energy infrastructure in supporting industrial, commercial, and workforce growth"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

**By Delegates Leavitt, Criss, Riley, Anderson, Zatezalo, Gearheart, Ridenour, Coop-Gonzalez, Butler, D. Cannon, Adkins, Akers, Amos, Anders, Barnhart, Bell, Bridges, Brooks, Browning, Burkhammer, Campbell, J. Cannon, Canterbury, Chiarelli, Clark, Clay, Cooper, Crouse, Dean, Dillon, Dittman, Drennan, Eldridge, Ellington, Fehrenbacher, Ferrell, Foggin, Funkhouser, Garcia, Green, Hall, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Heckert, Hillenbrand, Hite, Holstein, Hornby, Horst, Hott, G. Howell, T. Howell, Jeffries, Jennings, Jordan, Kimble, Kump, Kyle, Linville, Lucas, Mallow, Marple, Martin, Masters, Maynor, Mazzocchi, McCormick, McGeehan, Miller, Moore, Parsons, Petitto,**

**Phillips, Pinson, Pritt, Rohrbach, Roop, Shamblin, Sheedy, B. Smith, Statler, Stephens, Street, Toney, Vance, Ward, Watt, White, Willis and Worrell:**

**H. R. 7** - "A resolution recognizing the seriousness of the national debt and its threat to national security"; to the Committee on Rules

And,

**By Delegates Leavitt, Dittman, Parsons, Adkins, Jordan, Hott, B. Smith, Heckert, Akers, Barnhart, Bell, Bridges, Brooks, Browning, Burkhammer, Butler, Campbell, D. Cannon, Canterbury, Chiarelli, Clark, Clay, Cooper, Coop-Gonzalez, Crouse, Dean, Dillon, Drennan, Eldridge, Ellington, Fehrenbacher, Foggin, Funkhouser, Garcia, Gearheart, Green, Hall, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Hillenbrand, Hite, Holstein, Horst, G. Howell, T. Howell, Jeffries, Jennings, Kimble, Kyle, Lucas, Mallow, Marple, Martin, Masters, Maynor, Mazzocchi, McCormick, McGeehan, Miller, Moore, Petitto, Phillips, Pinson, Pritt, Ridenour, Riley, Rohrbach, Roop, Shamblin, Sheedy, Statler, Stephens, Toney, Vance, Ward, Watt, White, Willis and Worrell:**

**H. R. 8** – "Designating June as Fidelity Month in West Virginia to promote the values of faith, family, and patriotism."; to the Committee on Rules.

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

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. J. R. 33** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending section 13,"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. J. R. 34** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending section two, article XIV thereof, relating to granting the power of registered voters to propose and enact an amendment to this Constitution, numbering and designating such proposed amendment; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. J. R. 35** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia by amending section one, of article XII thereof, relating to proving for free early childhood education for all West Virginia children; numbering and designating such proposed amendment; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

And,

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. J. R. 36** - " 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 reproductive freedom with protections for health and safety; 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.

### **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 Delegates Moore, Jeffries, Phillips, Pritt, Anders, Dittman, Amos, Willis, Browning, Akers and Street:**

**H. B. 5058** - "A Bill to amend and re-enact §16-6-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to hotel and restaurant regulations; and requiring that any product sold for consumption in a restaurant containing or composed of certain products be clearly and legibly labeled as such on all menus"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegate Akers:**

**H. B. 5059** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §36-8B-1, §36-8B-2, §36-8B-3, §36-8B-4, §36-8B-5, §36-8B-6, §36-8B-7, and §36-8B-8, relating to authorizing cultural heritage institutions to claim title to certain property in possession of the cultural heritage institution after providing certain notices; providing for definitions; describing property on permanent loan; describing undocumented property; clarifying unsolicited donations; setting forth conversation measures; setting forth notice by certified mail; when notice by publication may be made; information required for all forms of notice; and providing information required in a notice"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Leavitt, J. Cannon, B. Smith, Green, Dean and D. Cannon:**

**H. B. 5060** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §31E-17-1701, §31E-17-1702, §31E-17-1703, §31E-17-1704, §31E-17-1705, §31E-17-1706, §31E-17-1707, §31E-17-1708, §31E-17-1709, §31E-17-1710, §31E-17-1711, §31E-17-1712, §31E-17-1713, §31E-17-1714, §31E-17-1715, §31E-17-1716, §31E-17-1717, §31E-17-1718, §31E-17-1719, §31E-17-1720, §31E-17-1721, §31E-17-1722, §31E-17-1723, §31E-17-1724, §31E-17-1725, §31E-17-1726, §31E-17-1727, §31E-17-1728, §31E-17-1729, and §31E-17-1730, relating generally to the making unincorporated nonprofit associations a recognized legal entity in the state; creating the Decentralized Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act; providing a short title; defining terms; providing for the governing law; using profits; holding certain property; providing for who is liable; creating standing; allowing appointment of service agent; setting the proper venue; addressing dissolution, member removal, member duties, member powers, and member interests; setting permissible governance processes; creating right to inspect records; outlining termination process, mergers, and conversion to another entity; and setting an effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Akers and Maynor:**

**H. B. 5061** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18-2L-1 and §18-2L-2, relating to the consolidation of county school districts in the state; requiring county school districts be consolidated with other county school districts by July 1, 2030; establishing the Commission on School District Reorganization; setting forth membership of commission; establishing duties and responsibilities of commission; requiring department of education to cooperate and assist commission; and establishing reporting deadline to the Legislature"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5062** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §9-5-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to improving maternity and infant care by creating the Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies Act"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegates D. Cannon and McGeehan:**

**H. B. 5063** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-18-13a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to convention and visitor's bureau; and permitting the county commission to appoint a county commissioner to a convention and visitor's bureau as a voting member"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Green, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Hornby, Jeffries, Hott, Phillips, Browning, Linville, Gearheart and Hite:**

**H. B. 5064** - "A Bill to reenact and amend §6-9D-2, §6-9D-9, §6-9D-11, and §8-35-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding three new sections, designated §6-9D-12a, §6-9D-12b, and §8-35-7, relating to municipalities that have failed to complete required financial audits for multiple years; modifying definitions; clarifying fiscal emergency conditions; authorizing State Auditor to evaluate a municipality's likelihood of financial recovery; allowing for the transition to dissolution; providing notice to municipalities; clarifying duties of receiver upon dissolution; and confirming the effect of municipal dissolution on utilities governed by the Public Service Commission"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates D. Cannon, B Ward, Phillips, McGeehan and Shamblin:**

**H. B. 5065** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-18-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to hotel occupancy tax; clarifying what information needs to be recorded; requiring geofencing to provide an accurate basis for tax collection; and requiring marketplace facilitator use a nine-digit postal code when necessary in order to guarantee the collected tax is being remitted to the proper political subdivision"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Linville, Holstein, Pinson, Hornby and Maynor:**

**H. B. 5066** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-8-5a and §3-8-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §3-8-6a, relating to prohibiting the release of addresses and names of employers of persons who make contributions to political elections; and providing a misdemeanor criminal penalty"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Akers:**

**H. B. 5067** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15A-2-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the powers and duties of the director and clarifying that where federal grant programs are only open to law enforcement agencies, the Director of the Division of Administrative Services may enter into an agreement with such agencies within the Department of Homeland Security to facilitate the application for and administration of such grants"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5068** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §15A-10-26, relating to the fire marshal; and establishing an early detection cancer screening pilot program for active and retired firefighters"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegates D. Cannon and Hillenbrand:**

**H. B. 5069** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §24-2-11e, relating to establishing requirements for the commission to approve a siting certificate; defining terms; mandating a minimum setback for the siting of a wind turbine from a property line, residence, paved public road or overhead transmission line of 115kV

capacity or greater; and providing methodology for calculation"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegates Lucas, Crouse, Clark, Dean and Bridges:**

**H. B. 5070** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-40-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to real estate licenses; and permitting licensing with two brokerages for 60 days after leaving a brokerage and going to another brokerage"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Rohrbach and Amos:**

**H. B. 5071** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding seven new sections, designated §5-16-8b, §9-5-34, §33-15-24, §33-16-20, §33-24-15, §33-25-23 and §33-25A-37, relating to requiring health benefit plan coverage; requiring coverage for oral health medical procedures that are necessary as a side effect of cancer treatments; explaining scope of procedures covered as a result of certain cancer treatments; and reports"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Rohrbach:**

**H. B. 5072** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18B-23-1, relating to the establishment of the TechCred program; providing for a definition; enacting the program; and providing for conditions"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Statler:**

**H. B. 5073** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-14-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to vacancies filled by deputy sheriffs; allowing seniority to follow deputies who transfer to vacant positions unless there has been a wrongdoing at the county from where they are transferring"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Worrell, Clark, Hite and Ellington:**

**H. B. 5074** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-9-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to changing the allocation of proceeds in the Medical Cannabis Program Fund"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5075** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15A-3-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing a 15 percent raise to non-uniformed workers within the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5076** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-21-98, relating to personal income tax; and prohibiting tax preparation software companies from charging a fee for electronically filing State tax returns"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5077** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto six new sections, designated §5-16-15a, §33-15-4y, §33-16-3ii, §33-24-7z, §33-25-8w, §33-25A-8z; and to amend said code by adding a new article, designated §33-57A-1, §33-57A-2, §33-57A-3, §33-57A-4, and §33-57A-5, relating to creating the Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Insurance Coverage Protection Act; requiring certain insurance policies to provide coverage for

medically necessary treatment of mental health and substance use disorders; defining terms; mandating generally accepted standards be followed when making medical necessity determinations; and prohibiting discretionary clauses"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5078** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-21-98, relating to personal income tax; and authorizing a child or childcare tax credit; creating definitions; creating a tax credit for eligible children; and clarifying the amount to be refunded to the individual"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5079** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §49-2-131, relating to services rendered to children of child care program employees"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5080** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-2S-1, §16-2S-2, §16-2S-3, §16-2S-4, §16-2S-5, §16-2S-6, §16-2S-7, §16-2S-8, §16-2S-9, §16-2S-10, §16-2S-11, §16-2S-12, §16-2S-13, §16-2S-14, §16-2S-15, §16-2S-16, §16-2S-17, §16-2S-18, §16-2S-19, and §16-2S-20, relating to establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Benefits Act; defining terms; detailing eligibility requirements; declaring the duration of benefits authorized by the article; noting the amount of benefits; specifying contributions; setting certain requirements and entitlements under the article; protecting against certain adverse action for exercising certain rights under the article; prohibiting retaliation or discrimination under the article; declaring the article to run concurrently with other leave-related laws; requiring employers to provide certain notice; detailing the process for enforcing the article; addressing erroneous payments and disqualification; permitting self-employed persons to elect coverage with certain requirements; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to establish the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program; requiring certain disclosures related to federal income tax; creating the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Account Fund; authorizing certain expenditures from the fund and investments of the fund; requiring annual reports to the Legislature; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to implement a public education program; encouraging the Insurance Commissioner to use state data collection and technology to integrate the program with other state policies; authorizing legislative rules by a certain date; and setting an internal effective date"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5081** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §59-1-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to waiving the \$100 fee for a new for-profit business or domestic corporation to obtain a license in this state"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5082** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15A-4-13 and §49-2-906 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §28-5C-3; relating to requiring that free feminine hygiene products be provided to female prisoners in jails, regional jails or state correctional facilities and female juveniles in juvenile detention"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5083** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §21-5J-1, §21-5J-2, §21-5J-3, §21-5J-4, §21-5J-5, §21-5J-6, §21-5J-7, §21-5J-8, §21-5J-9, and §21-5J-10, relating to creating a paid parental leave pilot program; providing findings and purpose; defining terms; establishing paid parental leave and requirements for claiming benefits; requiring employer to continue group health insurance coverage for employee; requiring employer maintain employment benefits and seniority position upon return from leave; establishing that benefits will not to accrue during period of leave; requiring employers to respond to survey of Department of Labor; requiring department to report to Joint Committee on Government Organization; authorizing emergency rulemaking authority; and providing December 31, 2029 sunset date"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5084** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §11-21-98; and to repeal §11-21-26 of said code, relating to authorizing a refundable child or childcare tax credit"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5085** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16B-22-1, §16B-22-2, §16B-22-3, §16B-22-4, §16B-22-5, and §16B-22-6, relating to regulating private alternative adolescent residential or outdoor programs; providing definitions; requiring a license issued by the West Virginia Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification within the Office of the Inspector General to operate the programs; authorizing promulgation of rules by the Inspector General; providing for suspension of licenses, violations, injunctions, appeal, and misdemeanor penalty for violations"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegate Pinson:**

**H. B. 5086** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article designated §21-18-1; and to amend said code by adding a new section designated §57-3-11, all relating to peer support teams, peer support services, and generally allow for privileged testimonial communications between a peer support team member and an individual receiving peer support services or advice from the team member"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Ferrell, Rohrbach, Moore and Dittman:**

**H. B. 5087** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §30-27A-1, §30-27A-2, §30-27A-3, §30-27A-4, §30-27A-5, §30-27A-6, §30-27A-7, §30-27A-8, §30-27A-9, §30-27A-10, §30-27A-11, §30-27A-12, §30-27A-13, §30-27A-14, and §30-27A-15, relating to establishing the Interstate Cosmetology Licensure Compact; defining terms; providing requirements for membership; establishing data process; providing regulations for multistate licensures; establishing the Interstate Cosmetology Licensure Compact Commission; establishing an effective date; providing for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement powers; granting rulemaking authority; establishing construction and severability; and providing for disputes with other states' laws"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Hott, B Ward, Dittman, Willis, Brooks, Martin, Mallow, Jennings, Parsons, Green and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker):**

**H. B. 5088** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-18-2 and §20-18-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to Natural Resource Police Officer Retirement; modifying the accrued benefit of members of the West Virginia Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System who

retire after July 1, 2026; and providing for additional funding under the West Virginia Natural Police Officer Retirement System"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Ellington, Shamblin, Bell, Gearheart, G. Howell, Toney, Campbell, Canterbury, Statler, Dittman and Crouse:**

**H. B. 5089** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-8-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing for verified mastery of content standards for transcripts when a student enrolls or re-enrolls in a public school in this state"; to the Committee on Education.

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

**H. B. 5090** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to prohibiting mandates of vaccines for school children"; to the Committee on Education then Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Lucas, Crouse, Worrell, Kyle, Hall, Leavitt, Browning, McCormick, Clark, Parsons and Horst:**

**H. B. 5091** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-40-26 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the duties of licensees; requiring a written agreement; and providing terms and conditions of the agreement"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Pushkin, Lewis and Garcia:**

**H. B. 5092** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-2-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to certification of a patient's eligibility for medical cannabis; amending a definition; and revising eligibility qualifications for patients to receive medical cannabis"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Pushkin, Lewis and Garcia:**

**H. B. 5093** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §9-5-34, relating to permitting certain felons to work in licensed behavioral health facilities; setting conditions and limitations; and requiring rulemaking"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Pushkin, Lewis and Garcia:**

**H. B. 5094** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §25-5-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to prohibiting the private ownership or operation of a prison in West Virginia"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Pushkin, Lewis and Garcia:**

**H. B. 5095** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-14D-1, §11-14D-2, and §11-14D-3, relating to providing tax credits to provide vehicles to certain persons; authorizing a tax credit for individual tax payers under certain conditions; authorizing a tax credit to licensed automobile dealers under certain conditions; providing for definitions; establishing the minimum criteria of a qualified charitable organization; establishing the minimum criteria for an eligible vehicle to be used as the basis of the tax credit; requiring that the Tax Commissioner track the number and amount of tax credits claimed; providing that multiple qualified charitable organizations may use a percentage of total allowable tax credits for the year; providing the Tax Commissioner can develop criteria for allocating percentages of the total allowable tax credits to qualified charitable organizations; establishing the maximum amount of tax credits for tax years 2026 through 2027 at \$300,000; establishing the maximum amount of tax credits for subsequent years at \$1 million; and providing for rulemaking authority"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Worrell and Hite:**

**H. B. 5096** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2D-8 and §16-2D-10 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, relating to removing services from requiring a certificate of need; exempting personal care services from certificate of need; exempting intellectual developmental disabilities services from certificate of need"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegates Kimble, Holstein, Ridenour, Mazzocchi, D. Cannon, Jeffries, Campbell, Canterbury, Moore and T. Howell:**

**H. B. 5097** - "A Bill to amend to the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §16B-3-22, relating to hospitals; requiring facilities provide patients and family members or caregivers of deaf and hard of hearing patients with effective means of communication assistance; requiring hospitals without an American Sign Language interpreter on staff to provide technology to assist with communication for hearing or speech impaired patients and visitors; and requiring American Sign Language interpreter be approved by the West Virginia Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates G. Howell, G. Ward, Dittman, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Phillips, Lucas, Mallow, Ellington, Canterbury, Foggin and Campbell:**

**H. B. 5098** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §17C-2-3c, relating to the creation of the MOBILE ID Act; establishing the Mobile Outreach for Bound or Immobile Lifelong Ensurance of Identification Program within the Division of Motor Vehicles; requiring statewide availability; establishing eligibility; authorizing in-home and long-term care facility services; requiring two-person in-home visits for safety; requiring adequate staffing to ensure timely service; requiring rulemaking; providing for reporting; and establishing an effective date"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Butler, Akers, Coop-Gonzalez, Jeffries, Brooks, Burkhammer and Moore:**

**H. B. 5099** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §61-11C-1, §61-11C-2, and §61-11C-3, relating to requiring restitution payments for child support of a child whose parent or guardian is a victim of a DUI causing death, establishing that this is not retroactive, and setting an effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Pinson, Drennan and Burkhammer:**

**H. B. 5100** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §19-12E-3, §19-12E-12, §19-12F-3, and §19-12F-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding two new sections, designated §19-12E-13 and §19-12F-12, all relating to the transfer of CBD and Kratom oversight from the Department of Agriculture to the Alcohol Beverage Control Administration Commissioner"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Leavitt, Akers, D. Cannon, Roop, Moore, Maynor, T. Howell, Drennan, Ferrell, Dittman and Kimble:**

**H. B. 5101** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §48-27-202, §61-2-9d, §61-2-28, and §62-1C-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to clarifying the definition of 'domestic violence'; providing a surcharge for trials for domestic violence; creating and increasing penalties for certain acts; and altering bail requirements for domestic violence acts"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Rohrbach, Shamblin, Bell, Hall, Dittman, Drennan, Moore and Amos:**

**H. B. 5102** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding six new sections, designated §5-16-8b, §33-15-24, §33-16-20, §33-24-15, §33-25-23 and §33-25A-

37, relating to requiring habilitative speech therapy as a treatment for stuttering insurance coverage"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Rohrbach, Heckert, Dittman, Moore, Drennan and Amos:**

**H. B. 5103** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16B-13-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring the Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification to inspect office-based medication-assisted treatment programs at least every 24 months"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Rohrbach, Heckert, Drennan, Dittman, Moore and Amos:**

**H. B. 5104** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §62-12-6 and §62-12-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring a parolee or probationer found to have suffered with addiction to participate in a support service upon release for a certain period of time"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Rohrbach, Heckert, Drennan, Moore, Dittman and Amos:**

**H. B. 5105** - "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 and §55-7L-6; and to amend the code by adding a new section, designated §61-2-31; relating to financial exploitation of a person in recovery"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Rohrbach and Amos:**

**H. B. 5106** - "A Bill to amend and reenact section seven, chapter 26 of the Acts of the Legislature, regular session, 1925 (municipal charters), as last amended and reenacted by chapter 187, Acts of the Legislature, regular session, 2011, relating to the Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District; providing that the Cabell County Board of Education may provide certain funds that are available to the board through special and excess levies to the park district"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Rohrbach, Heckert, Dittman, Drennan, Moore and Amos:**

**H. B. 5107** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-4-604 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring a court to verify certain conditions are met before a child who has been removed from a home may be returned to that home"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Rohrbach and Amos:**

**H. B. 5108** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended by adding a new section, designated §16-9G-3, relating to creating the Tobacco Cessation Initiative Program Special Revenue Account; and directing a fixed portion of money to fund the account from the Legislature"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Rohrbach and Amos:**

**H. B. 5109** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §33-51-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to pharmacies; and changing the duties and definition of pharmacy benefits management"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Rohrbach and Amos:**

**H. B. 5110** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18B-10-7a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to tuition and fee waivers or adjustments for resident students and certain non-resident students; and by decreasing the eligibility age from 65 to 60 years of age or older"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegates Kimble, Ridenour, Butler, Mazzocchi, Anders, Jeffries, T. Howell, Bridges, Dean and Foggin:**

**H. B. 5111** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18B-4-11, relating to prohibiting vaccine mandates at higher education institutions; defining terms; prohibiting vaccine mandates of higher education institutions; prohibiting incentives for receiving vaccines; providing that vaccines may be offered at no cost; requiring informed consent for vaccines or immunizations provided on premises of higher education institution; allowing severability; and providing an effective date"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Kimble, Dillon, Ridenour, Butler, Mazzocchi, Anders, Jeffries, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:**

**H. B. 5112** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to communicable and infectious disease; ensuring that no law may require a person to receive or use a medical product; and ensuring there will be no penalties imposed, nor benefit denied, due to refusing a medical product or refusing to disclose whether a medical product has been used or not"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Kimble, Ridenour, Butler, Mazzocchi, Jeffries, Anders, Dillon, Moore, T. Howell and Bridges:**

**H. B. 5113** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1 and §16-67-2, relating to patient's rights; creating a patient's right to refuse medical treatment from a resident or student when a licensed physician is available; and requiring medical professionals to obtain consent for a resident to treat a patient in advance of the appointment or procedure"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5114** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-15-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting firearm safe storage products from the consumer sales tax"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5115** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-2-47, relating to implementation of trauma-informed practices in schools; providing for an effective date; providing for training; providing definition of trauma-informed practices; providing for disciplinary considerations in light of trauma-informed practices; providing for a culture of acceptance among educational professionals relating to trauma-informed practices within the school; and providing for rulemaking"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5116** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §21-5J-1, §21-5J-2, §21-5J-3, §21-5J-4 and §21-5J-5, relating to the rights of applicants and employees to inquire about wages, benefits, and other compensation; and providing for a cause of action for violations"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5117** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-2-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to eligibility of voters; removing the prohibition voter registration for persons convicted of certain felonies who have fully served their sentence; requiring the Division of Corrections to notify persons of their renewed eligibility to vote upon release; and requiring the

Division of Probation to notify persons of their renewed voter eligibility upon discharge"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5118** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5D-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to statewide expansion of Healthy School Meals for All through maximizing participation in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) or other universal meal options by requiring all schools that qualify for CEP to apply for this funding"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5119** - "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, and §16-67-4; relating to providing for a right to contraception; setting definitions; and providing for a cause of action"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5120** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §47-29-1, §47-29-2, §47-29-3, and §47-29-4, relating to menstrual product labeling; providing for definitions; providing for a plain and conspicuous list of ingredients; creating labeling requirement in addition to other regulations; and providing for a civil penalty"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5121** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-5-55, relating to feminine hygiene products; and providing feminine hygiene products to students in public schools at no cost"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5122** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §9-4F-1, §9-4F-2, §9-4F-3, §9-4F-4, §9-4F-5, §9-4F-6, §9-4F-7, §9-4F-8, and §9-4F-9, relating to creating the Insurance Medicaid Buy-In Program; requiring the Department of Human Services to develop and administer the Insurance Medicaid Buy-In Plan; setting eligibility criteria and coverage requirements; specifying role and duties of the Department of Human Services; establishing an advisory council to the Insurance Medicaid Buy-In Program; defining terms; setting limitations of employers; requiring a full-cost option be available for individuals who do not meet financial qualifications; requiring rule-making; and mandating application for necessary federal Medicaid options and innovation waivers to maximize federal funding of the Program"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5123** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §46A-9-1, §46A-9-2, §46A-9-3, §46A-9-4, §46A-9-5, §46A-9-6, §46A-9-7, §46A-9-8, §46A-9-9, §46A-9-10, and §46A-9-11, relating to consumer data privacy; defining terms, requiring privacy for certain identifying personal information; establishing a consumer right to request copy of personal data collected; establishing a consumer right to have personal information deleted or corrected; establishing a consumer right to request personal data sold or shared; establishing a consumer right to opt-out of the sale or sharing of personal information to third parties; prohibiting discrimination against consumers who exercise their right under this article; establishing procedures for requests for personal information under this article; establish

a form to opt-out of sale or sharing of personal information; creating a private cause of action; empowering the West Virginia Division of Consumer Protection to establish rules under this article for enforcement; and empowering the West Virginia Division of Consumer Protection to bring suit for violation of this article"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5124** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-31-2 and §18-31-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the eligibility of nonpublic schools and education service providers to participate in the Hope Scholarship Program"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5125** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §29-3A-4 and §61-2-10b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to crimes against law enforcement, firefighters, governmental representatives, health care providers, utility workers, correctional employees, and emergency medical service personnel; creating a felony offense for attacking or hindering or obstructing a firefighter or emergency equipment; and creating criminal penalties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5126** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5-44 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to early childhood education programs; and providing that funds from the Lottery Education Fund, the State Lottery fund, and the Excess Lottery Fund be used for childhood education in the state"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5127** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-6-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections; and requiring that the boards of canvassers transmit electronically to the Secretary of State, on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State, the total ballots cast, counted, and rejected"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5128** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §48-2-301 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to changing the age of consent for marriages"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5129** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22C-1-6a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to powers of the Water Development Authority; removing power to fund infrastructure projects recommended by the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Economic Development and/or the Secretary of Tourism; and providing that funding may only be used for in-state eligible projects"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5130** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §55-22-1, §55-22-2, §55-22-3, §55-22-4, §55-22-5, §55-22-6, §55-22-7, §55-22-8, §55-22-9, and §55-22-10, relating to permitting civil remedies for the unauthorized disclosure of intimate images; providing for a short title; defining terms; providing for a civil action; providing exceptions to liability; providing for plaintiff's privacy; providing for remedies; creating a statute of limitations; providing for construction; providing for uniformity of application and construction; and addressing the effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5131** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1, relating to establishing a food desert program under the Department of Agriculture to provide residents of food desert communities with access to fresh and affordable produce"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5132** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5-45 and §18-5-45a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing the 180 mandatory days of school, and moving to a model based on hours"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5133** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to voting; and allowing voters 65 and older to vote absentee"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5134** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §31-18G-1, §31-18G-2, and §31-18G-3, relating to establishing the Small Business Investment Fund; creating the Small Business Financing Authority; defining terms; establishing requirements to obtain the grant; and listing exclusions"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5135** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1, relating to establishing the food waste task force"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5136** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §17A-6-1c, relating to authorizing certain motor vehicle manufacturers to operate as new car dealers"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5137** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §17-16A-31, relating to exempting school buses from paying toll fees"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5138** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-1A-12, relating to requiring a warrant for the disclosure of certain third-party information"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5139** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17A-3-23 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to license plates; and authorizing municipal fire departments specialized license plates"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5140** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5-11-3 and §5-11-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to actions for discriminatory practices before the human rights

commission; providing that certain employers with two or more employees are subject to the article; including an individual who provides work for an employer under the terms of an independent contract with the employer in the definition of 'employee'; and increasing the time period in which to bring an action before the human rights commission to three years after the alleged act of discrimination"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5141** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §33-15F-1, §33-15F-2, §33-15F-3, §33-15F-4, §33-15F-5, §33-15F-6, and §33-15F-7, relating to requiring medical insurance providers to include infertility services in their policies; making findings; providing for determination of infertility; providing prohibited and permissible limitations on coverage; requiring rule-making; establishing an effective date; providing for severability; and defining terms"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5142** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §60-1-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and to amend the code by adding a new article, designated §60-11-1, relating to the sale of vintage distilled spirits; providing definitions; and establishing the process on selling and distributing vintage spirits"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5143** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18B-23-1, relating to social media privacy; providing definitions; prohibiting an institution of higher education from requiring a current or prospective student, or current or prospective employee, to disclose their username or password for social media accounts or to require such person to change their social media privacy settings, or add an employee or volunteer of the institution of higher education; and prohibiting an institution of higher education from taking action against such current or prospective student, or current or prospective employee, such as threatening to discharge, discipline, prohibit from participating in curricular or extracurricular activities, or otherwise penalize a current student for asserting their right under this article"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5144** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §9-11-1, §9-11-2, §9-11-3, §9-11-4, and §9-11-5, relating to creating the wholesale importation of prescription drugs program; providing definitions; design requirements of the program; implementation of the program by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources; and requiring the department to report annually to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Government Organization.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5145** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5-16E-1, §5-16E-2, §5-16E-3, §5-16E-4, §5-16E-5, §5-16E-6, §5-16E-7, §5-16E-8, §5-16E-9, §5-16E-10, §5-16E-11, §5-16E-11a, §5-16E-11b, §5-16E-12, §5-16E-13, §5-16E-14, §5-16E-15, and §5-16E-16, relating to establishing a state-sponsored portable insurance benefit plan, providing definitions, and provides for administration and assignment of benefits"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5146** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §60A-2-204 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing certain substances from schedule I of the Uniform Controlled

Substances Act, including marihuana, Psilocybin, and Tetrahydrocannabinols"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5147** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-11-2 and §3-11-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to amendments to the state constitution; and requiring full text of proposed constitutional amendments be included on official ballots to be voted at the election at which such amendments are submitted to the voters of the state"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5148** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18A-5-1e, relating to the creation of the Student Bill of Rights"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5149** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-8C-1, §16-8C-2, §16-8C-3, §16-8C-4, §16-8C-5, §16-8C-6, §16-8C-7, §16-8C-8, §16-8C-9, §16-8C-10, §16-8C-11, §16-8C-12, §16-8C-13, §16-8C-14, §16-8C-15, and §16-8C-16, relating to establishing the West Virginia Prescription Drug Affordability Board; providing definitions; providing for the creation of a Board and the composition, compensation, and duties associated with the Board; providing for the creation of a stakeholder council and the composition, and duties associated with the Council; providing disclosures of conflicts of interest and requiring adherence to the Ethics Act; requiring a study and report on transparency data on prescription drug products; providing a cost review of prescription drug products with affordability challenges; requiring confidentiality; establishing a fund; providing for enforcement; clarifying drug products eligible; providing remedies; and listing all report requirements"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5150** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5-34-1, §5-34-2, §5-34-3, §5-34-4, §5-34-5, §5-34-6, §5-34-7, §5-34-8, §5-34-9, §5-34-10, §5-34-11, §5-34-12, §5-34-13, and §5-34-14, relating to retirement; establishing the West Virginia Secure Choice retirement program; providing for civil penalties; providing definitions; establishing a trust and administrative fund; establishing responsibilities of covered employers; providing a board of directors and their duties; clarifying standard of care and liability; providing ability for assistance from other states; transferring and appropriating money; and providing time frames for start of operation"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5151** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5B-2P-1, §5B-2P-2, §5B-2P-3, §5B-2P-4, §5B-2P-5, and §5B-2P-6, relating to economic development; and creating an Office of Entrepreneurship within the Office of Economic Development"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5152** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §24-9-1, relating to prohibiting public utilities from terminating or disconnecting services during a state disaster emergency declared by executive order; creating duty to restore service; requiring public utility to enter into deferred payment agreement with residential customer during state of emergency; prohibiting public utility from disconnecting service for 180 days;

providing notice to residential customer; and establishing right of public utilities to recover funds owed in normal course following the state of emergency"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5153** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §33-15-24, relating to medication; and providing insurance coverage for GLP-1 class medications with a valid script"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5154** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16B-17-3 and §16B-17-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the Human Rights Commission; amending the definition of employer and the number of persons employed to qualify as an employer; and extending the period of the statute of limitations to file a complaint for an alleged unlawful discriminatory practice"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5155** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §37-6-32, relating to prohibiting convenience fees for tenants of rental properties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5156** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-11A-1b, relating to establishing the Second Look Sentencing Act; providing a procedure for modification of a prison sentence when a person has served at least 10 years of a sentence"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5157** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §49-2-113 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring child-care subsidies to be based on monthly enrollment rather than daily attendance"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5158** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §5-16-33, relating to creating the Men's Equality Act; and requiring 100 percent coverage under the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance plan for voluntary male sterilization"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

**By Delegate Young:**

**H. B. 5159** - "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 of nonresidents for natural resources royalty payments received from lessees; providing legislative findings; defining terms; providing for withholding of estimated tax liabilities from natural resources royalty payments for nonresidents by lessees; providing exceptions to the tax withholding requirements under certain circumstances; providing that withheld amounts be paid by lessees to the Tax Commissioner on behalf of the nonresidents; providing for refunds to nonresidents 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.

**Special Calendar****Third Reading**

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4137**, Updating the West Virginia Law Institute; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 37**), and there were--yeas 88, nays 4, absent and not voting 7, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Anders, Brooks, Dillon and T. Howell.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4137) passed.

On motion of Delegate Akers, the title of the bill was amended to read as follows:

**H. B. 4137** -- "A BILL to amend and reenact §4-12-1, §4-12-2, §4-12-3, §4-12-4, §4-12-5, and §4-12-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the West Virginia Law Institute; related to the continuing nature of the West Virginia Law Institute; updating the purpose and duties of the institute; clarifying the composition, terms, of members of the West Virginia Law Institute; clarifying the process of when vacancies occur within the membership; clarifying how vacancies shall be filled; authorizing reimbursement for the citizen members; authorizing the West Virginia Law Institute to pay honoraria to persons who perform professional services, as authorized by the institute's bylaws; and exempting the West Virginia Law Institute from the requirements of §6-9A-1 *et seq.*

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

**H. B. 4629**, Relating to medical cessation treatment and research; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 38**), and there were--yeas 87, nays 5, absent and not voting 7, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Clay, Flanigan, Gearheart, Pritt and Vance.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 4629) passed.

Delegate McGeehan moved that the bill take effect from its passage.

On this question, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 39**), and there were--yeas 91, nays 2, absent and not voting 6, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Clay and Vance.

Absent and Not Voting: J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, two thirds of the members elected to the House of Delegates having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 4629) takes effect from its passage.

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

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4740**, Statutory Commitments in Rural Health Transformation Program; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 40**), and there were--yeas 92, nays 1, absent and not voting 6, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Young.

Absent and Not Voting: J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4740) passed.

Delegate McGeehan moved that the bill take effect from its passage.

On this question, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 41**), and there were--yeas 92, nays 1, absent and not voting 6, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Young.

Absent and Not Voting: J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, two thirds of the members elected to the House of Delegates having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 4740) takes effect from its passage.

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

**H. B. 4951**, Requiring MDs and DOs to complete continuing education; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 42**), and there were--yeas 58, nays 35, absent and not voting 6, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Akers, Amos, Anders, Bridges, Browning, Clay, Criss, Dillon, Eldridge, Ellington, Ferrell, Flanigan, Fluharty, Foggin, Garcia, Gearheart, Hamilton, Hansen, Hornbuckle, Hornby, Horst,

Jennings, Kyle, Lewis, Marple, McCormick, Moore, Petitto, Pushkin, Shamblin, Statler, Street, Toney, Williams and Zatezalo.

Absent and Not Voting: J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 4951) passed.

Delegate McGeehan moved that the bill take effect from its passage.

On this question, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 43**), and there were--yeas 79, nays 14, absent and not voting 6, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Anders, Bridges, Clay, Dillon, Ellington, Ferrell, Fluharty, Hamilton, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Marple, Pushkin, Ridenour and Statler.

Absent and Not Voting: J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

So, two thirds of the members elected to the House of Delegates having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 4951) takes effect from its passage.

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

### **Second Reading**

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4004**, Relating to the creation of the Recharge West Virginia Program; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4456**, Relating to clarification of a law enforcement agency and cooperation between law enforcement agencies and personnel of states bordering this state; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

And,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 4484**, To expand each county commission's ability to sell or lease property.; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

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

Delegate Funkhouser moved to amend the com sub on page 1, section 3, line 3, by striking the words "The property shall be sold at an on-site public auction or by utilizing an Internet-based public auction service, through competitive bidding as provided in subsection (d) of this section, or through the sale of county-owned property to a private party as provided in subsection (e) of this section" and inserting the words "The property shall be sold at an on-site public auction, by utilizing an Internet-based public auction service, through competitive bidding as provided in subsection (d) of this section, or through the sale of county-owned property to a private party as provided in subsection (e) of this section".

The bill was then 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. 4606**, Relating to the meaning of residence for the purpose of bail,

And,

**H. B. 4696**, Authorize the Department of Environmental Protection to deposit funds granted pursuant to federal programs.

### Leaves of Absence

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, leaves of absence for the day were granted Delegates J. Cannon, Coop-Gonzalez, Dean, Hillenbrand, Kump and B. Smith.

### 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. 4088**: Delegate Holstein;

**H. B. 4089**: Delegates Hott and Riley;

**H. B. 4345**: Delegate Masters;

**H. B. 4601**: Delegate Holstein;

**H. B. 4646**: Delegate Watt;

**H. B. 4710**: Delegate Kump;

**H. B. 4712**: Delegate Vance;

**H. B. 4752**: Delegate Funkhouser;

**H. B. 4798**: Delegate Butler;

**H. B. 4801**: Delegates Flanigan and Hornby;

**H. B. 4853**: Delegate Clark;

**H. B. 4893**: Delegate Flanigan;

And,

**H. B. 4894**: Delegate White.

At 11:47 a.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 04, 2026.

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## **SPECIAL CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

**22nd Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

### **THIRD READING**

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4004 - Relating to the creation of the Recharge West Virginia Program
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4456 - Relating to clarification of a law enforcement agency and cooperation between law enforcement agencies and personnel of states bordering this state
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4484 - To expand each county commission's ability to sell or lease property.

### **SECOND READING**

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4606 - Relating to the meaning of residence for the purpose of bail
- H. B. 4696 - Authorize the Department of Environmental Protection to deposit funds granted pursuant to federal programs

### **FIRST READING**

- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4012 - Relating to reducing the regulatory burden on utility companies when constructing and maintaining electric power generation and transmission facilities within this state
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4026 - Relating to expanding the requirements for integrated resource plans utility companies must file with the Public Service Commission
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4198 - E-Verify Safe Harbor Act
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4382 - Require collection agencies to provide 30 days notice prior to wage garnishments.
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4461 - Establishing limitations on billing practices of Internet or telecommunications providers that fail to provide subscribed customers service for five or more days
- Com. Sub. for H. B. 4552 - Relating to the law-enforcement powers of correctional officers

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4570 - To make the posting of a summons in a conspicuous place on rental property acceptable service when a tenant is unavailable for personal service

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4625 - Relating to exemptions from excise taxes

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

**22nd Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

**SECOND READING**

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4477 - To give the Secretary of State authority to refer allegations of violations of election laws to West Virginia Prosecuting Attorneys Institute.

**FIRST READING**

Com. Sub. for H. B. 4640 - Relating to drugs and adding a provision relating to the scheduling of crystalline polymorph psilocybin approved by the Food and Drug Administration

# **WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026**

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
8:30 A.M. – FINANCE COMMITTEE ROOM 460M**

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON REVENUE  
5:00 P.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**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH  
3:00 P.M. – EAST WING COMMITTEE ROOM 215E**

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

**COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND PUBLIC WORKS  
3:00 P.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M**



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