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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 Friday, February 14, 2025, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

Resolutions Introduced

Resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Delegates Crouse, D. Smith, Drennan, Jennings, Heckert, Butler, Brooks, Phillips, Hornby, Dean and Masters:

H. R. 5 --"Recognizing the month of October as Military Toxic Exposure Awareness Month"; to the Committee on Rules

By Delegates Coop-Gonzalez, Sheedy, Brooks, Dillon, Foggin, McGeehan and Street:

H. R. 6 --"Recognizing Transgenderism as a mental disorder and affirming the biological reality of two genders"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Rules

By Delegates Pritt and Ridenour:

H. C. R. 36 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name a bridge bearing the Bridge Number: 10-016/00-008.68 () (10A097) Lat/Long: 37.97642, -81.14059, Original Name: MAIN STREET BRIDGE, Feature Intersected: US 19 NBL & SBL, as the "U. S. Marine Corps Private First Class Darrell Lee Burgess Memorial Bridge"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker) and D. Smith:

H. C. R. 37 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 50-064/00-001.75 carrying Interstate 64 over Broad Hollow Road in Wayne County, the "CPT Ray Leslie Memorial Bridge."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Hornby, Horst, Sheedy, Crouse, Willis and Chiarelli:

H. C. R. 38 --"Supporting the federal passage of the Processing Revival and Intrastate Meat Exemption Act or PRIME Act"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Rules

By Delegates Stephens, Barnhart, Sheedy, Ward and Pritt:

H. C. R. 39 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name a portion of Route 2 bearing the coordinates 40°01'41"N 80° 43'38W and 40°00'07"N 80°43'57"W in Benwood, Marshall County, as the "Gold Star Mother Catherine Blake Highway", with two gold stars after her name"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Vance, Mallow, DeVault, Ellington, Toney, Marple, Adkins, T. Clark, Heckert, Anderson, Bridges, Brooks, Browning, Clay, Crouse, Dean, Eldridge, Ferrell, Flanigan, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Lucas, Martin, Parsons, Pritt, Rohrbach, Roop, Stephens, Ward and Zatezalo:

H. C. R. 40 --"Requesting and directing the West Virginia Economic Development Authority to locate and identify land in the Flatwoods area suitable for development into facilities for public entertainment, amusement and tourism, identify and secure sources of funding for their development and to also solicit and locate private as well as public developers to invest in the facilities."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Vance, Brooks, Toney, Jeffries, Mallow, Hillenbrand, Sheedy, Eldridge, Parsons, Ferrell, Anderson, Barnhart, Bridges, Browning, Butler, T. Clark, Clay, Coop-Gonzalez, Crouse, Dean, DeVault, Dillon, Dittman, Drennan, Ellington, Flanigan, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Heckert, Hite, Horst, Hott, T. Howell, Jennings, Kyle, Leavitt, Lucas, Marple, Martin, McCormick, Petitto, Phillips, Pritt, Rohrbach, Roop, Statler, Stephens, Ward, White, Willis, Worrell and Zatezalo:

H. C. R. 41 --"Proclaiming November 7th to be designated annually as "Pastor Appreciation Day" in West Virginia in tribute to those who, through their unwavering commitment to service and faith in God, strive to enrich the lives of the people in their congregations and communities"; to the Committee on Rules

By Delegate Shamblin:

H. C. R. 42 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 00-005.51(20A561), locally known as Rocky Fork Bridge, carrying County Route 622 over Rocky Fork Creek in Kanawha County, the "U. S. Army Corporal Kenneth H. Tinsley Memorial Bridge"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Ward, Stephens and Marple:

H. C. R. 43 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name Bridge Number: 16-055/00-011.96 () (16A134), (39.07833, -78.95205) locally known as MOOREFIELD INTERCHANGE, carrying WV 055 over US 48 (X) (Corridor H) in Hardy County the "Ray William Sherman Memorial Bridge."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Ward, Stephens and Marple:

H. C. R. 44 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 16-05S/20-005.47 () (16A123), (39.08844, -78.89069) locally known as ASHTON WOODS BRIDGE, carrying CR 055/20 over US 48X in Hardy County, the "U. S. Army SP4 Charles W. Wolfe Memorial Bridge"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Ward, Stephens and Marple:

H. C. R. 45 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number 16-013/00-000.60(16A081), at Lat/Long: 39.05032, -78.99304, locally known as New Buzzard Ford Bridge carrying CR 013 over South Branch Potomac River in Hardy County, the "Charlotte Denise Seymore Hill Memorial Bridge"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Jennings, Anderson, Dittman, Drennan, Eldridge, Ellington, Ferrell, Hite, Leavitt, Sheedy, Statler, White, Worrell and Zatezalo:

H. C. R. 46 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number: 39-072/00-005.99 () (39A142), (39.31693, -79.69367) locally known as FLAG RUN BRIDGE, carrying WV 072 over FLAG RUN in Preston County, the "U. S. Army SP4 Ronald Gene Sypolt Memorial Bridge"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Jennings, Anderson, Coop-Gonzalez, Dittman, Drennan, Eldridge, Ellington, Ferrell, Hite, Leavitt, Parsons, Sheedy, Statler, White, Worrell and Zatezalo:

H. C. R. 47 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name a bridge bearing the Bridge Number: 39-072/00-001.85 () (39A236), (39.28332, -79.73050) locally known as Etam Bridge, carrying WV 072 over Buffalo Creek in Preston County as the "Clinton "Randy" Dean 101st Airborne Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

And,

By Delegates Ridenour, Ward, Butler, Hillenbrand, Roop, Jennings, Petitto and Phillips:

H. C. R. 48 --"Urging Congress call a convention of the states, under the authority reserved to the states in Article V of the United States Constitution, limited to proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the United States to create fiscal responsibility by and within the federal government."; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Rules

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

By Delegates Bridges, Vance, Pritt, Ward, Sheedy, Stephens, Foggin, Dean and Roop:

H. J. R. 15 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia by adding thereto a new section, designated §10-1d, permitting the Legislature to adopt laws to permit property taxes to end at the time the mortgage on owner-occupied real property is paid off, and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on Finance then the Judiciary.

By Delegate Steele:

H. J. R. 16 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending article III thereof by adding thereto a new section, designated section 23, relating to the right to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife; 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 Hansen:

H. J. R. 17 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending article three thereof by adding thereto a new section, designated section 23 relating to the Bill of Rights; proving for the right to a clean and healthy environment, including clean air, pure water, a stable climate, and the preservation of the natural, scenic, recreational, and healthful qualities of the environment; the protection of these rights; the conservation, protection, and maintenance of West Virginia's public natural resources; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Riley and Phillips:

H. J. R. 18 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia section three, article VI thereof; relating to limiting consecutive elections to the same office to 12 years; 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. 19 - " 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.

And,

By Delegates Riley and D. Cannon:

H. J. R. 20 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia amending section four, article VII thereof, relating to clarifying that the elected executive department officers may not hold any other offices during their terms; clarifying the number of terms one may serve as Governor; limiting a person to only three consecutive terms as Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, or Commissioner of Agriculture; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Introduced

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

By Delegate Steele:

H. B. 2401 - "A Bill to repeal §55-9-1, §55-9-2, and §55-9-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to repeal §61-1-4, §61-1-5, §61-1-7, §61-1-8, §61-1-9, §61-2-5a, §61-2-9a, §61-2-9b, §61-2-9c, §61-2-9d, §61-2-10a, §61-2-10b, §61-2-14a, §61-2-14b, §61-2-14c, §61-2-14d, §61-2-14e, §61-2-14f, §61-2-14g, §61-2-14h, §61-2-15a, §61-2-16a, §61-2-26, §61-2-27, §61-2-27a, §61-2-28, §61-2-29, §61-2-29a, §61-2-29b, §61-2-30, §61-3-20a, §61-3-22a, §61-3-24a, §61-3-24b, §61-3-24c, §61-3-24d, §61-3-24e, §61-3-24f, §61-3-24g, §61-3-24h, §61-3-39, §61-3-39a, §61-3-39b, §61-3-39c, §61-3-39d, §61-3-39e, §61-3-39f, §61-3-39g, §61-3-39h, §61-3-39i, §61-3-39j, §61-3-39k, §61-3-39m, §61-3-39n, §61-3-39o, §61-3-39p, §61-3-39q, §61-3-40, §61-3-41, §61-3-42, §61-3-43, §61-3-44, §61-3-45, §61-3-45a, §61-3-46, §61-3-47, §61-3-48, §61-3-48a, §61-3-49, §61-3-49a, §61-3-49b, §61-3-50, §61-3-51, §61-3-52, §61-3-53, §61-3-54, §61-3-55, §61-3-56, §61-3-57, §61-3-58, §61-3-59, §61-3A-4a, §61-3C-14a, §61-3C-14b, §61-3C-14c, §61-3E-13, §61-5-12a, §61-5-12b, §61-5-25a, §61-5-27a, §61-5-28, §61-5-29, §61-6-1a, §61-6-1b, §61-6-14a, §61-6-18, §61-6-19, §61-6-20, §61-6-21, §61-6-22, §61-6-23, §61-6-24, §61-6-25, §61-7-4a, §61-7-6a, §61-7-11a, §61-7-15a, §61-8-9a, §61-8-19a, §61-8-19b, §61-8-19c, §61-8-27a, §61-8-28, §61-8-28a, §61-8-29, §61-8-30, §61-8-31, §61-8B-9b, §61-8B-11a, §61-8C-3a, §61-8C-3b, §61-8D-3a, §61-8D-4a, §61-8D-5a, §61-8E-1, §61-8E-2, §61-8E-3, §61-9-9, §61-9-10, §61-9-11, §61-10-11a, §61-10-11b, §61-10-30, §61-10-31, §61-10-32, §61-10-33, §61-10-34, §61-11-1a, §61-11-8a, §61-11-22a, §61-11-26a, §61-11-26b and §61-11A-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §15-12-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §19-1A-3b of said code; to amend and reenact §29-22-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-1-1, §61-1-2, §61-1-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-2-1, §61-2-2, §61-2-3, §61-2-4, §61-2-5, §61-2-6, §61-2-7, §61-2-8, §61-2-9, §61-2-10, §61-2-11, §61-2-12, §61-2-13, §61-2-14, §61-2-15, and §61-2-16 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3-1, §61-3-2, §61-3-3, §61-3-4, §61-3-5, §61-3-6, §61-3-7, §61-3-8, §61-3-11, §61-3-12, §61-3-13, §61-3-14, §61-3-15, §61-3-16, §61-3-18, §61-3-19, §61-3-20, §61-3-21, §61-3-22, §61-3-23, §61-3-24, §61-3-25, §61-3-26, §61-3-27, §61-3-28, §61-3-29, §61-3-30, §61-3-31, §61-3-32, §61-3-33, §61-3-34, §61-3-35, §61-3-36, §61-3-37, and §61-3-38 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3A-3 and §61-3A-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3B-2, §61-3B-3, §61-3B-4, §61-3B-5, §61-3B-6, and §61-3B-7 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3C-2, §61-3C-3, §61-3C-4, §61-3C-5, §61-3C-6, §61-3C-7, §61-3C-8, §61-3C-9, §61-3C-10, §61-3C-11, §61-3C-12, §61-3C-13, §61-3C-14, §61-3C-15, §61-3C-16, §61-3C-17, §61-3C-18, §61-3C-19, §61-3C-20, §61-3C-21 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3D-2 and §61-3D-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-3E-1, §61-3E-3, §61-

3E-4, §61-3E-5, §61-3E-6, §61-3E-7, §61-3E-8, §61-3E-9, §61-3E-10, and §61-3E-12 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-4-1, §61-4-2, §61-4-3, §61-4-4, §61-4-5, §61-4-6, §61-4-7, §61-4-8, and §61-4-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-5-1, §61-5-2, §61-5-3, §61-5-4, §61-5-5, §61-5-6, §61-5-7, §61-5-8, §61-5-9, §61-5-10, §61-5-11, §61-5-12, §61-5-13, §61-5-14, §61-5-15, §61-5-16, §61-5-17, §61-5-18, §61-5-19, §61-5-20, §61-5-21, §61-5-22, §61-5-23, §61-5-24, §61-5-25, §61-5-26, and §61-5-27 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-5A-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-6-1, §61-6-2, §61-6-3, §61-6-6, §61-6-7, §61-6-8, §61-6-9, §61-6-10, §61-6-11, §61-6-12, §61-6-13, §61-6-14, §61-6-15, §61-6-16, and §61-6-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-7-2, §61-7-3, §61-7-4, §61-7-5, §61-7-6, §61-7-7, §61-7-8, §61-7-9, §61-7-10, §61-7-11, §61-7-12, §61-7-14, §61-7-15, §61-7-16, and §61-7-17 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8-1, §61-8-2, §61-8-5, §61-8-6, §61-8-7, §61-8-8, §61-8-9, §61-8-10, §61-8-11, §61-8-12, §61-8-14, §61-8-15, §61-8-16, §61-8-19, §61-8-20, §61-8-21, §61-8-22, §61-8-23, §61-8-25, §61-8-26, and §61-8-27 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8A-1, §61-8A-2, §61-8A-4, and §61-8A-5 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8B-3, §61-8B-4, §61-8B-5, §61-8B-7, §61-8B-8, §61-8B-9, §61-8B-10, §61-8B-11, §61-8B-12, §61-8B-13, §61-8B-14, §61-8B-15, §61-8B-16, §61-8B-17, and §61-8B-18 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8C-1, §61-8C-2, and §61-8C-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-8D-1, §61-8D-2, §61-8D-2a, §61-8D-3, §61-8D-4, §61-8D-5, §61-8D-6, §61-8D-7, §61-8D-8, §61-8D-9, and §61-8D-10 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-9-1, §61-9-2, §61-9-3, §61-9-4, §61-9-5, §61-9-6, §61-9-7, and §61-9-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-10-1, §61-10-2, §61-10-3, §61-10-4, §61-10-5, §61-10-6, §61-10-7, §61-10-8, §61-10-9, §61-10-10, §61-10-11, §61-10-12, §61-10-13, §61-10-14, §61-10-15, §61-10-16, §61-10-17, §61-10-19, §61-10-20, §61-10-22, and §61-10-23 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-11-1, §61-11-3, §61-11-4, §61-11-5, §61-11-6, §61-11-7, §61-11-8, §61-11-18, §61-11-20, §61-11-21, and §61-11-22 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-11A-7 and §61-11A-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-12-8, §61-12-9, and §61-12-13 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-13-3 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-14-2, §61-14-3, §61-14-4, §61-14-5, §61-14-6, §61-14-7, §61-14-8, and §61-14-9 of said code; to amend and reenact §61-15-2 and §61-16-2 of said code; to amend and reenact §62-6-8 of said code; to amend and reenact §62-12-2 and §62-12-26 of said code; to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §23-5B-1, §23-5B-2, §23-5B-3, and §23-5B-4; to amend said code by adding thereto two new sections, designated §30-1-27, and §30-1-28; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §30-29-9a; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §55-2-23; to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §60A-4-418; to amend said code by adding thereto nine new sections, designated §61-2-17, §61-2-18, §61-2-19, §61-2-20, §61-2-21, §61-2-22, §61-2-23, §61-2-24, and §61-2-25; to amend said code by adding thereto three new sections, §61-3-9, §61-3-10, and §61-3-17; to amend said code by adding thereto three new sections, designated §61-3B-9, §61-3B-10, and §61-3B-11; to amend said code by adding thereto two new sections, §61-3C-22 and §61-3C-23; to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §61-3F-1, §61-3F-2, §61-3F-3, §61-3F-4, §61-3F-5, §61-3F-6, §61-3F-7, §61-3F-8, §61-3F-9, §61-3F-10, §61-3F-11, §61-3F-12, §61-3F-13, §61-3F-14, §61-3F-15, §61-3F-16, and §61-3F-17; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §61-4-10; to amend said code by adding thereto three new sections, designated §61-7-13, §61-7-18, and §61-7-19; to amend said code by adding thereto five new sections, designated §61-8-3, §61-8-4, §61-8-17, §61-8-18, and §61-8-24; to amend said code by adding thereto six new sections, designated §61-8B-6, §61-8B-19a, §61-8D-11, §61-8D-12, §61-10-18, and §61-10-21; to amend said code by adding thereto two new sections, designated §61-11-27 and §61-11-28; to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §61-17-1, §61-17-2, §61-17-3, §61-17-4, §61-17-5, §61-17-6, and §61-17-7; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §61-18-1, §61-18-2, §61-18-3, and §61-18-4, all relating to revising the criminal code generally; relating to the failure of a sex offender to register or provide notice of registration changes and the penalty for the same; timber theft, investigations thereof,

and the criminal and civil penalties for the same; crimes against the worker's compensation system generally; the crime of omission to subscribe for workers' compensation insurance; the crime of failure to file a premium tax report or pay premium taxes; crimes relating to false testimony or statements concerning such; the crime of failure to file reports; criminal penalties for such actions or inactions; provisions for asset forfeiture; venue for trial of such crimes; the crime of wrongfully seeking workers' compensation; criminalizing false testimony or statements given in support of the same; criminal penalties for these offenses; venue for the trial of such crimes; workers' compensation health care offenses; fraud; theft or embezzlement; false statements; criminal penalties for the above offenses; notice requirements; prohibition against providing future services; penalties for the same; provisions for asset forfeiture; venue for the trial of such crimes; defining the crime of providing false documentation to workers' compensation, to the Insurance Commissioner or a private carrier of workers' compensation insurance; criminalizing altering documents or certificates from workers' compensation; criminal penalties for such offenses; venue for the trial of such crimes; the required reporting of gunshot and other wounds; the required reporting of burns; penalty for aiding and abetting; railroad employees being conservators of the peace; special railroad policemen; and the powers and duties of the same; relating to shooting ranges, limitations on nuisance actions, and noise ordinances; relating generally to criminal activity and the punishment thereof; wanton endangerment involving the use of fire, and the criminal penalty for the same; relating to crimes against the government; defining treason, the crime of treason, and penalties therefor, the crime of failure to give information of treason and its penalty; the crime of desecration of the flag, and its penalty; relating to crimes against the person, first and second degree murder defined, and punishment for the same; delineating provisions for allegations in indictment for homicide; defining voluntary manslaughter and the penalty thereof; defining involuntary manslaughter, and specifying the penalty for the same; defining concealment of a deceased human body, and specifying the penalty for the same; clarifying that homicide is punishable within the state if injury occurs within and death without, or vice versa; defining an attempt to kill or injure by poison, and specifying the penalty for the same; defining the crime of abortion and the penalty for the same; defining malicious or unlawful assault, assault, and battery, and specifying the penalties for each and aggravated factors and enhanced penalties; explaining provisions of sentencing for such acts committed by incarcerated persons; defining assault during the commission of or attempt to commit a felony, and specifying the penalty for the same; delineating that for violent crimes against the elderly a sentence is not subject to suspension or probation; defining harassment, and providing penalties, and certain definitions for the same; defining strangulation, suffocation, and asphyxiation and providing definitions and penalties for the same; defining robbery or attempted robbery and specifying the penalties for the same; defining extortion, and attempted extortion by threat, and specifying the penalty for these; defining kidnapping and specifying penalties for the same; defining concealment or removal of a minor child from custodian or from person entitled to visitation; and setting forth penalties and defenses for the same; providing that one aiding or abetting in kidnapping or in concealing or removing a minor child is guilty as a principal, and explaining venue for those offenses; defining unlawful restraint and providing penalties for the same; prohibiting the purchase or sale of a child, setting the criminal penalty for the same, and providing definitions and exceptions; the failure to remove doors from abandoned refrigerators, freezers and other appliances, and providing penalties for the same; providing definitions for various forms of domestic violence and criminal penalties; providing definitions and criminal penalties for the abuse or neglect of an incapacitated adult; providing criminal penalties for the death of an incapacitated adult by a caregiver; defining and providing criminal penalties for the financial exploitation of an elderly person, protected person or incapacitated adult; recognizing an embryo or fetus as a distinct unborn victim of certain crimes of violence against the person; relating to crimes against property; arson; the degrees of arson, and definitions and criminal penalties for the same; burning, or attempting to burn, insured property and the criminal penalty for the same; causing injuries during an arson-related crime,

and the criminal penalties for the same; recovery of costs incurred in fighting fires caused by arson; defining burglary, the entry of dwelling house or outbuilding, and providing criminal penalties for the same; defining entry of a house, building, vehicle, or enclosed property, the criminal penalties for the same, and specifying counts in indictment for the same; manufacture or possession of burglary tools, and the criminal penalties for the same; setting forth criminal offenses involving theft detection shielding devices, their criminal penalties and providing for detention of persons suspected of this offense; grand larceny, aggravated grand larceny, and petit larceny distinguished, setting forth the criminal penalties for each, defining larceny of bank notes, checks, writings of value and book accounts, and delineating the determination of value in larceny; explaining receiving or transferring stolen goods and providing a criminal penalty; providing a criminal penalty for bringing into this state, receiving or disposing of property stolen in another state; embezzlement, and the criminal penalties for the same; falsifying accounts, and the criminal penalties for the same; possession or use of automated sales suppression devices, and the criminal penalties for the same; the offenses of destroying or concealing a will, and embezzlement by fiduciary, and the criminal penalties for the same; obtaining money, property and services by false pretenses, disposing of property to defraud creditors, and the criminal penalties for each of these; the offenses of attempted or fraudulent use, forgery, traffic of credit cards, possession and transfer of credit cards and credit card making equipment, the false or fraudulent use of telephonic services, and the criminal penalties for these offenses; intercepting or monitoring customer telephone calls, and the criminal penalties for the same; requirements for finding fraudulent schemes and provisions for the cumulation of amounts where a common scheme exists, and the criminal penalties for the same; the casting away, destroying, or interfering with floating craft or material, and the criminal penalties for the same; interference with or destruction of buoys, signal lights or other aids to navigation, and the criminal penalties for the same; the offense of malicious killing of animals by poison or otherwise, and the criminal penalties for the same; the removal out of a county of property securing a claim, and the criminal penalties for such offense; the fraudulent disposition of personal property in possession by virtue of lease, notice to return, failure"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Burkhammer, Mazzocchi, Worrell, Hite, Miller and Petitto:

H. B. 2402 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-29-1 and §49-5-101 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-29-3, relating to providing access to medical records; providing access to a minor's medical record; and providing access to the medical records of child in the custody of the state"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Crouse, Lucas, Drennan, Horst, White, Brooks, Hornby, Dean, Amos, Petitto and Clay:

H. B. 2403 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-3-20 and §30-14-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to removing hormone therapy as a means of medical treatment for minors"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Crouse, Moore, Drennan, Lucas, Brooks, Hornby, Dean, Masters, Amos, Clay and D. Cannon:

H. B. 2404 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-2E-6, relating to the creation of a tax credit for companies who donate to pregnancy and birthing centers in this state"; to the Committee on Finance.

At the respective requests of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, the bill was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time and ordered to second reading.

By Delegates Crouse, Drennan, Lucas, Hornby, Horst, White, Brooks, Masters, Amos, Clay and D. Cannon:

H. B. 2405 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-21-24a, relating to establishing tax credits for parents and legal guardians whose children are in a home-schooling program or private school; providing for an exception; and providing rule-making authority"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, Drennan, Lucas, White, Brooks, Hornby, Masters, Amos, Petitto, Clay and D. Cannon:

H. B. 2406 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §1-8-1, relating to restricting speech by eliminating woke words and agendas from state government documents, websites, literature, and in person"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, D. Cannon, Masters, Lucas, W. Clark, Drennan, Horst, White, Brooks, Hornby and Dean:

H. B. 2407 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-21-12 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to personal income tax; adjusted gross income of resident individuals; and providing that income received by full-time hourly paid employees for work performed in excess of 40 hours in a week is excluded from gross income and not subject to taxation"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, Moore, Drennan, Horst, Brooks, Phillips, Hornby, Dean, Petitto, Clay and D. Cannon:

H. B. 2408 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-1-52, relating to prohibiting ranked choice voting in elections in West Virginia"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Funkhouser, Maynor, Willis and Ward:

H. B. 2409 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §26-12-1, §26-12-2, §26-12-3, §26-12-4, §26-12-5, §26-12-6, §26-12-7, §26-12-8, §26-12-9, §26-12-10, §26-12-11, and §26-12-12 all relating to the creation of the Hospital Transparency Act and providing for the administration of the Act"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Chiarelli, Horst, Crouse, Maynor, Willis and Ward:

H. B. 2410 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended by adding a new article, designated §16-51A-1, §16-51A-2, §16-51A-3, §16-51A-4, §16-51A-5, §16-51A-6, §16-51A-7, and §16-51A-8, relating to the right to try individualized treatments; defining terms; defining access to individualized treatments; providing restrictions on outstanding debt related to individualized treatments in the event of death; prohibiting sanctions against licensed healthcare providers; prohibiting specified persons from blocking access to individualized treatments; prohibiting private right of action; providing that the article is not to be construed to affect a health benefit plan's obligation to provide coverage for an insured's participation in a clinical trial; and setting forth effective date"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Ellington, Horst, D. Smith, Chiarelli, Willis, Kyle, Crouse, Holstein, Maynor and Statler:

H. B. 2411 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring all West Virginia high school students to pass a minimum of one credit of computer science; establishing requirements for the classes; establishing rulemaking;

and creating teaching positions and requirements for those teaching positions"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2412 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-13-2o of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing the use of degraded properties as an approved location to place solar panels utilized by power generating units; and providing conditions thereto"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2413 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22-6-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to bonding for wells used for extraction or placement of certain liquids or gas; and removing cap on numbers of wells for which operators are required to pay annual oversight fee"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2414 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22-6A-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to well location restrictions for natural gas wells; and providing that the limit of disturbance of a well site may not be closer to an occupied building than 2,500 feet"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2415 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §1-2-2a, relating to increasing transparency in the apportionment process for congressional and legislative districts; defining procedures to enhance public access to and participation in the development of such districts; and establishing a period for public comment on district maps to be voted on by the Legislature prior to their adoption"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2416 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §22-11-22b, relating to allowing increased civil administrative penalties to be promulgated by legislative rules by the Department of Environmental Protection, for individual or general construction stormwater, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits, and General Water Pollution Control Permits for larger acreage permits; providing for doubling penalties for projects of certain sizes; providing for projects at least 500 acres have larger penalties assessed for violations; providing a definition; providing for rulemaking; providing for additional penalties based on the number of violations; and providing for resolution of code conflict in favor of legislative rules promulgated according to this section"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2417 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §22-1-4, relating to requiring disclosure of the lawful activity that is the basis of a permit application with the Department of Environmental Protection; and providing exceptions thereto"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Hansen and Young:

H. B. 2418 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §24-2J-1, §24-2J-2, §24-2J-3, §24-2J-4, §24-2J-5, and §24-2J-6, relating to establishing the West Virginia Energy Efficiency Jobs Creation Act; creating short title;

establishing findings and purpose; defining terms; requiring electric utilities to develop and implement energy efficiency programs; establishing duties of the Public Service Commission; establishing certain requirements that the commission is to impose on electric utilities; providing requirements of electric utilities; requiring the commission to make reports to the Legislature; providing a self-direct option for an energy efficiency plan for eligible primary or secondary electric customers; establishing eligibility requirements; establishing duties of the commission; establishing requirements for self-directed energy efficiency plans; requiring electric providers to provide an annual report to the commission that includes certain information on the implementation of self-directed energy optimization plans; and requiring the commission to order certain participating customers that fail to meet the minimum energy efficiency goals of the self-directed plan to repay to the provider certain charges the customer avoided"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hansen and Young:

H. B. 2419 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §24-2J-1, §24-2J-2, §24-2J-3, and §24-2J-4, relating to establishing a community solar program for subscribers to gain credits against their utility bills; providing legislative findings; defining terms; authorizing subscriber based solar projects that allow solar power production to be granted credit against electric power costs; providing that an authorized project is not considered as a utility; providing conditions and terms for operation for a facility; providing for regulation of the program by the Public Service Commission; providing conditions for credits; providing requirements for subscriber organizations; and providing Public Service Commission rulemaking authority and directives"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hansen and Young:

H. B. 2420 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §24-2-1s, relating to power generating plant sites; establishing findings; providing holder certificate of public convenience and necessity process to apply to redeploy site as a generating plant; providing considerations for the commission to consider in granting of application; and authorizing rulemaking"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegates Hansen and Young:

H. B. 2421 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §22-1-17 and §22-3-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to revising surface mining reclamation requirements; revising requirements for special reclamation fund account reviews; revising mining bonding requirements to require the bond be set for actual reclamation costs; creating conditions and limitations upon certain bonding companies to assure viability of the special reclamation fund; requiring coordination between the tax department and the department of environmental protection to assure accuracy in reporting and correct payments into the surface mining special reclamation fund; and requiring that mining operations keep payments to the special reclamation fund current as a condition for receiving and retaining a mining permit"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegates Chiarelli, Hornby, Willis, D. Smith, McCormick, J. Cannon and Holstein:

H. B. 2422 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-31 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring that municipal elections be held concurrently with regularly scheduled primary or general elections"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Sheedy, Horst, Hornby, Stephens, Barnhart, Mallow, Willis, Bridges, Pritt and Foggin:

H. B. 2423 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9A-1-13, relating to prohibiting a person from receiving compensation for assisting another person to obtain veteran's benefits, except as permitted under federal law"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2424 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-5-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring a full legislative vote regarding all Gubernatorial declarations of a state of preparedness or state of emergency"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2425 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-3, §61-7-6, and §61-7-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing those persons 18 to 20 years old to be able to carry a concealed deadly weapon without a permit, as is presently allowed for those persons 21 years and older"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2426 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §61-17-1, relating to the punishment of persons with illegal immigration status; and determining punishment for first and second offenses"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, Kump, White, Kimble, Dillon, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2427 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-6-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing the concealed carry of firearms on and in Capitol grounds"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2428 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §48-27-502 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to mandatory provisions in protective order; requiring a full adversarial hearing by a court of record before a respondent may be prohibited from possessing any firearm or ammunition, and only then by clear and convincing evidence; and providing for automatic appeal by respondent"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2429 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring natural resources officers to obtain consent of landowner or warrant prior to entering private property; and providing exceptions"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Kimble, Dillon, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2430 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §55-7-30 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating civil liability for pharmaceutical companies for damages resulting from the Covid-19 vaccination"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

H. B. 2431 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by inserting a new article thereto, designated §15-17-1, §15-17-2, §15-17-3, §15-17-4, §15-17-5, and §15-17-

6; relating to prohibiting law-enforcement officers and political subdivision officials from utilizing certain surveillance and artificial intelligence technologies; setting forth legislative findings; setting forth penalties; and providing for a private cause of action"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Ridenour, Gearheart, Butler, Funkhouser, Ward, Hillenbrand, Phillips, Kump, Roop, Jennings and Shamblin:

H. B. 2432 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-10-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to expanding the categories of eligible federal law-enforcement officers"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Willis, Crouse, Chiarelli, Heckert and Maynor:

H. B. 2433 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-1C-17d, relating to allowing magistrates under certain circumstances to be able to order a mental evaluation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Maynor, Crouse, Willis, Ward, Chiarelli and Holstein:

H. B. 2434 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia by adding thereto a new article, designated §55-3D-1, §55-3D-2, §55-3D-3, and §55-3D-4, all relating to establishing the Stop Squatters Act; providing a limited alternative remedy to remove unauthorized persons from residential and commercial real properties; providing for the immediate removal by a law-enforcement agency upon request of the property owner of any person unlawfully occupying a residential dwelling or commercial building if certain conditions are met; providing a civil cause of action for wrongful removal; establishing misdemeanor and felony offenses for unlawfully occupying and intentionally damaging a residential dwelling or commercial building and providing penalties upon conviction thereof; establishing a misdemeanor offense for knowingly presenting a false document purporting to convey real property and providing penalties upon conviction thereof; and establishing a felony offense for any person who knowingly lists or advertises residential real property or a commercial building for sale or renting without legal title or authority and providing penalties upon conviction thereof"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Crouse, Moore, Pinson, Drennan, Lucas, White, Horst, Heckert, Brooks, Phillips and Hornby:

H. B. 2435 - "A Bill to repeal §55-2-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended relating to the statute of limitation on bringing an action for entry upon or recovery of lands"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Horst, Masters, Worrell, W. Clark, Crouse, White, Funkhouser, Leavitt, Bridges, Zatezalo and Moore:

H. B. 2436 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §62-1C-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing for mental health evaluations prior to setting bonds for certain crimes"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Akers, Pritt, Chiarelli, Horst, McCormick, Kyle, T. Howell, Phillips, D. Smith, Maynor and Heckert:

H. B. 2437 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §60A-4-401 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to fentanyl; clarifying certain requirements for the enhanced sentencing of crimes involving fentanyl; and creating criminal penalties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Toney, Statler, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin, Dittman and Rohrbach:

H. B. 2438 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17-5-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to making all inmates regardless of sex eligible to work on a state convict road force"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Toney, Statler, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin, Dittman and Rohrbach:

H. B. 2439 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15A-4-20 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to allowing inmates to perform the community service of providing upkeep to cemeteries"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hite and Hornby:

H. B. 2440 - "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 Delegate Street:

H. B. 2441 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §21A-6-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to unemployment compensation; employee eligibility; and providing that a person who fails a random testing for alcohol or illegal controlled substances for employees in safety-sensitive positions is disqualified for benefits"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hite, W. Clark, Hornby, D. Smith and Vance:

H. B. 2442 - "A Bill to repeal §55-2-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, related to the limitation period to bring an action to enter upon or recover lands"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hite and Vance:

H. B. 2443 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto 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 Delegate Criss:

H. B. 2444 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §29-22B-1406 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to limiting financial records of limited video lottery permittees that are subject to examination by Lottery Commission"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Horst, Masters, Crouse, White, Jennings, Bridges, Mazzocchi, Coop-Gonzalez, Moore, Phillips and Kimble:

H. B. 2445 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §62-1A-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing qualified immunity for officers serving no-knock warrants if they are found to have used excessive force or found to have been negligent and causing an investigation of the training the officer received"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Horst, Coop-Gonzalez, Masters, Worrell, Jeffries, Crouse, White, Bridges, Mazzocchi, Phillips and Ridenour:

H. B. 2446 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §15-17-1, §15-17-2, §15-17-3, §15-17-4, §15-17-5, and §15-17-6, relating to preserving and protecting the right to keep and bear arms; defining acts which constitute infringements upon the right to keep and bear arms; articulating the constitutional limits on these infringements and making findings in defense of the right; declaring all infringements

under federal law or authority to be against the rights of the people and to be legally void; declaring the duty of courts and law-enforcement agencies to protect the rights of law-abiding citizens, including the right to keep and bear arms; providing causes of action against persons who knowingly infringe upon these rights; providing for awards of specified damages, costs, and attorneys' fees; and barring the employment of certain persons by the state or its political subdivisions for infringing actions taken under color of federal law"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Hansen:

H. B. 2447 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-34, §3-1-41, §3-1A-5, §3-3-1, §3-3-1a, §3-3-2, §3-3-2a, §3-3-5, §3-3-9, §3-3-10, §3-3-12, §3-6-6, §3-6-7, §3-6-9, and §3-9-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-9-14; and to repeal §3-3-3a, all relating to modernization of procedures for voting in public elections; modifying voter identification procedure at the polls; removing authority of election commissioners and poll clerks to dispute voter claims of disability; authorizing all registered voters to vote absentee ballot by mail; simplifying the requirements for an emergency absentee ballot; providing for secure receipt of hand-delivered absentee ballots; providing for stand-alone drop-off locations for deposit of completed absentee ballots; revising terms and procedures for casting an absentee ballot by mail; reforming the procedures and grounds for challenging an absentee ballot; specifying the form and printed text of envelopes for absentee ballots; establishing a pre-canvass procedure for ballots received in advance of Election Day; authorizing voter cure for potentially deficient absentee ballots; establishing a criminal offense of coercion and intimidation of a voter; defining a criminal offense of unauthorized marking of another person's absentee ballot; providing criminal penalties for violations; and correcting citations and grammar throughout"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Ridenour, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2448 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-5-31, relating to ensuring that religious services and houses of worship remain open during any declared state of emergency by the Governor of West Virginia; providing for a cause of action; establishing a two-year statute of limitations to file suit; and providing an effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2449 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §62-1A-12, relating to eliminating the open fields doctrine in this state"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2450 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7B-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to The West Virginia Second Amendment Preservation and Anti-Federal Commandeering Act; illegal attempt by agents or employees of the federal government to enforce certain decrees or writs; misdemeanor penalty; and enforcement by attorney general"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Horst, Chiarelli, Willis, Kyle, Green, Brooks, Crouse and Maynor:

H. B. 2451 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §8-40-1, §8-40-2, §8-40-3, §8-40-4, §8-40-5, and §8-40-6, relating to facilitating the creation of home-based businesses; providing for definitions; providing for

permitted use; providing for prohibitions; creating reasonable regulations; providing for limited conditions; and providing for review"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Hornby, Crouse and Willis:

H. B. 2452 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-3-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting from ad valorem property tax all property used for divine worship, including parts of those properties that are used for educational and other instructional activities"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Hornby, Horst, Kyle, Crouse, Willis and Ward:

H. B. 2453 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-2-16, relating to allowing a teacher to bank sick leave or personal leave days to the following academic year"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Hornby, Young, Horst, W. Clark, Willis, Street, Chiarelli, Maynor, D. Smith and Crouse:

H. B. 2454 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §19-13-3, §19-19-1, §19-19-2, §19-19-4, and §19-19-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to clarifying the Right to Farm Act relating to residential agricultural operations and the protection of agriculture"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Hornby, Crouse, Maynor and Willis:

H. B. 2455 - "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, and §16-2S-6, relating to creating the Birth Freedom Act; providing a findings and purpose; clarifying who has the right to direct maternal healthcare; providing definitions; establishing birth centers are exempt from certificates of need; providing a scope of practice; clarifying who has authority to establish new occupational licenses; and providing a standard of review"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Riley, Pinson, Funkhouser, Phillips, Linville, Burkhammer, McGeehan, Kimble, Drennan, Worrell and Hott:

H. B. 2456 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-66-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the pregnancy support program; and providing funding to pregnancy help organizations under certain conditions"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Horst, Funkhouser, Hornby, Sheedy, Heckert, Masters, Worrell, Jeffries, Crouse, White and Bridges:

H. B. 2457 - "A Bill to amend and reenact the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by inserting thereto two new sections, designated §15-17-10 and §16-67-1; relating to requiring political subdivisions and the Department of Health to collect and report data regarding costs to treat undocumented immigrants"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Hornby, Chiarelli, Horst, Sheedy, Crouse, Maynor and Willis:

H. B. 2458 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §3-13-1, §3-13-2, and §3-13-3, relating to the creation of the School Board Election Date Act"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Horst, Leavitt, Chiarelli, Willis, Kyle, Brooks, Green, DeVault and Crouse:

H. B. 2459 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-25 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission promulgate legislative rules"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hornby, Chiarelli, Leavitt, Willis, Green, Brooks, Crouse, Holstein and Maynor:

H. B. 2460 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-28-8, relating to ensuring equal treatment of private and parochial schools for school building construction"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Anders, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Linville, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2461 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2R-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16-2R-10, relating to prohibiting the use or sale of abortifacients, and enacting criminal penalties and private causes of action for supplying abortifacients and creating severability"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2462 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18-36-1 and §18-36-2, relating to establishing April 19th as Patriots Day and to require all public schools in West Virginia to commemorate this by studying about the Minute Men who fought for this country's freedom from British Rule"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, Linville, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2463 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §47-6-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and by adding a new article, designated §12-10-1, §12-10-2, §12-10-3, §12-10-4, §12-10-5, §12-10-6, §12-10-7, §12-10-8, and §12-10-9, relating generally to the use of gold and silver as legal tender in the state of West Virginia; defining terms; authorizing the State Treasurer to establish the West Virginia Bullion Depository within the State Treasury; making the State Treasurer the administrator of the depository; providing that deposits are held in trust for account holders and are not subject to appropriation; prohibiting payment of interest on deposits; establishing the West Virginia Bullion Depository administrative account; setting forth the duties of the administrator; enumerating the powers of the administrator; setting forth requirements for deposits; authorizing the depository to issue transactional currency; requiring the administrator to promulgate legislative rules and emergency rules subject to certain requirements; exempting depository account contents from state taxation; providing for the confidentiality of depository records; recognizing gold coin issued by the United States as legal tender in West Virginia; and recognizing bullion, specie, and transaction currency, issued by the depository, as legal tender in West Virginia"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, Linville, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2464 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by inserting a new article thereto, designated §31A-9-1, §31A-9-2, §31A-9-3, §31A-9-4, §31A-9-5, §31A-9-6, §31A-9-7, §31A-9-8, §31A-9-9, §31A-9-10, §31A-9-11, §31A-9-12, §31A-9-13, §31A-9-14, §31A-9-15, §31A-9-16, §31A-9-17, §31A-9-18, §31A-9-19, §31A-9-20, §31A-9-21, §31A-9-22, §31A-9-23, §31A-9-24, §31A-9-25, §31A-9-26, §31A-9-27, §31A-9-28, §31A-9-29, §31A-9-30, §31A-9-31, §31A-9-32, and §31A-9-33; relating to establishing the State Bank of West Virginia as a depository for bullion and specie within the State Treasurer's office; setting definitions; describing

the State Bank's responsibilities; requiring the Treasurer to promulgate rules; creating a State Bank Administrator; setting forth the administrator's qualifications, duties, and responsibilities; enabling the Treasurer to hire security; describing which persons and entities may open State Bank accounts and make deposits thereto; requiring the State Bank to keep and report records; requiring deposit standards; providing the process for deposits, withdrawals, and transfers; limiting causes of action; enabling the Treasurer to establish fees, charges, and penalties; prohibiting the State Bank from paying interest; creating liens on certain obligations; permitting investments; permitting fiduciary's to act on behalf of account holders; describing trust procedures; requiring State Bank to recognize powers of attorney; permitting State Bank to enter transactions and relationships with other entities; prohibiting State Bank from engaging in certain actions; providing that enumerated State Bank actions are void ab initio; requiring Treasurer to establish exchange rate and establish tax and accounting procedures; requiring Treasurer to remit annual report to the governor and legislature; providing for confidentiality; permitting State Bank to utilize agents and share information; requiring periodic reports; and permitting Treasurer to acquire and lease real property"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2465 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding three new sections, designated §7-28-1, §7A-9-1, and §8-40-1, relating to prohibiting counties, towns, and municipalities from using tax money to hire lobbyists to represent the counties, towns, and municipalities at state level"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2466 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-3-20 and §30-14-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing hormone therapy as a means of medical treatment for minors"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Anders, White, Dillon, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2467 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-21-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to abolishing the personal income tax"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Ridenour, Kimble, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2468 - "A Bill to repeal §5B-2-1, §5B-2-2, §5B-2-3, §5B-2-3b, §5B-2-4, §5B-2-4a, §5B-2-5, §5B-2-6, §5B-2-6a, §5B-2-9a, §5B-2-10, §5B-2-14, §5B-2-15, §5B-2-16, §5B-2-17, §5B-2-18, §5B-2-18a, §5B-2-19, §5B-2-20, and §5B-2-21 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the Department of Economic Development"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Anders, White, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2469 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-20-10, §16-13-16, and §16-13D-15 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, relating to prohibiting municipality, county, locality, or other governmental entity from assessing a fee to property owners based upon the stormwater, runoff, rain or any like fee"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2470 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-2-28 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that a hunting license is only required for public land"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Dillon, Kump, Kimble, T. Howell, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2471 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-13BB-1, §11-13BB-2, and §11-13BB-3, all relating to eliminating the tax credit for solar, wind, or other renewable energy systems for corporations or other establishments or entities; providing definitions and restrictions for maintaining renewable energy systems"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegates Anders, White and Ridenour:

H. B. 2472 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-2-5 and §20-2-22a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to eliminating the ban on baiting in all counties for game animals"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Criss and Rohrbach:

H. B. 2473 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-27-10a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing and maintaining the bracketed tax rates on the privilege of establishing or operating a health maintenance organization; specifying effective dates; and providing a process for rates to be certified to the tax commissioner and notice to be provided"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Pritt, Moore, Bridges, T. Clark, Stephens, Chiarelli, Brooks, Ferrell, McCormick and Drennan:

H. B. 2474 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-8a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing a 25% pay increase for state school service personnel across all salary scales"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Pritt, Clay, T. Clark, Stephens, Chiarelli, Brooks, Ferrell, Crouse, McCormick and Drennan:

H. B. 2475 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-2-2b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-4-5c of said code, relating to matching the salaries of Aide V (Special Education Aides) with that of Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teachers and then increasing that amount by 5% for the Aide V position; increasing the pay of self-contained, special education teachers by 10%; defining a critical vacancy; and to require board staff who are certified in the subject area of a critical vacancy to go to the classroom and fill that position until someone is hired to do so"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Pritt, Moore, Bridges, T. Clark, Stephens, Chiarelli, Brooks, Ferrell, McCormick and Drennan:

H. B. 2476 - "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 Delegates Pritt, Moore, Bridges, T. Clark, Stephens, Chiarelli, Brooks, Ferrell, Crouse and Drennan:

H. B. 2477 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-10-22o; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-7A-26z, relating to providing a 15 percent cost-of-living adjustment to certain retirees of the Public Employees Retirement System and the State Teachers Retirement System; and providing for the pro rata distribution of the cost-of-living adjustment to certain beneficiaries"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates White, Anders, Ridenour, McGeehan, Kimble, Crouse, Mazzocchi, Willis, Masters, Petitto and W. Clark:

H. B. 2478 - "A Bill amend and reenact §18-31-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to clarifying the definition of an eligible recipient of the Hope Scholarship Program"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Maynor, Petitto, J. Cannon, Hornby, Holstein, Chiarelli, Browning, Jeffries, Gearheart, Roop and Dean:

H. B. 2479 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-12-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the management and control of the county authority vested in a board"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Heckert, Criss, Fehrenbacher, Riley, Green, Foggin and Browning:

H. B. 2480 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-5-13f, relating to schools; consolidating school boards; providing legislative findings; providing a purpose; directing the State Board of Education and State Superintendent of Schools to take certain actions; providing an effective date; and providing rule authority"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Crouse, Moore, Lucas, Horst, White, Heckert, Brooks, Phillips, Hornby, D. Smith and D. Cannon:

H. B. 2481 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §31-22-1 and §31-22-2, relating to requiring businesses in West Virginia to accept cash as a form of payment"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Horst, Bridges, D. Smith, Funkhouser, Hornby, Sheedy, Masters, Worrell, Jeffries, Crouse and Mazzocchi:

H. B. 2482 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §20-2-46n, relating to allowing youths and those carrying a Class Q special hunting permit to take antlered deer"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Pritt, Brooks and Stephens:

H. B. 2483 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-5-52, relating to permitting county boards of education to send a parent or legal guardian of a student who is deemed 'chronically disruptive' the pro-rated amount of that student's education and to remove the student from the school system for a year to continue their education through homeschool or another approved alternative educational pathway"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, Akers, Heckert, Drennan, Phillips, Hornby, Worrell, Mallow, Kelly and Chiarelli:

H. B. 2484 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-15-20 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the probationary appointment period for vacancies filled by the Firemen's Civil Service Commission from six months to one year"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegate Burkhammer:

H. B. 2485 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2D-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting a licensed health care facility to move into a new facility location without obtaining a new license"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Pritt, Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Young, Hamilton, Lewis, Garcia, Williams, Fluharty and Hansen:

H. B. 2486 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-43 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to additional disciplinary issues to be addressed by the Department of Education; reports to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability; and data of the Department of Education dashboard for public access"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Pritt, Crouse and T. Clark:

H. B. 2487 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5-1-25 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to eliminating the use of daylight-saving time in West Virginia; and establishing an effective date"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Pritt, Brooks, Dittman, Clay, Moore, T. Clark, Chiarelli, Roop, T. Howell and Adkins:

H. B. 2488 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by inserting a new section, designated §17-3-11; relating to requiring the Secretary of Transportation to undertake a study to determine the feasibility, effectiveness, and costs of installing suicide prevention and safety measures to the New River Gorge Bridge; requiring a report to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance; and authorizing the Secretary of Transportation to allocate funds from the State Road Fund, to seek grants, and to enter agreements and contracts to conduct the study and prepare the report"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Butler, Moore, Masters, B. Smith, Kimble, T. Howell, Drennan, Hillenbrand, Ridenour, Mazzocchi and Ward:

H. B. 2489 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-2 and §3-1-39 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-1-39a; to amend and reenact §3-1A-6 of said code; to amend and reenact §3-4A-1 of said code; and to amend said code by adding thereto three new sections, designated §3-4A-35, §3-4A-36, and §3-4A-37, all relating to providing for election reform; defining 'Public Election Related Information and Data;' allowing for the public disclosure of this data through the Freedom of Information Act ('FOIA'); providing for the maintenance of Public Election Related Information and Data including cast vote records, also known as 'CVRs;' and providing for restrictions of certain electronic software voting systems and contingent hand counting procedures; providing for the random physical and internal operating code inspection of electronic voting systems; and making sections of this bill effective from passage"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pritt, Holstein and Moore:

H. B. 2490 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §62-12-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended relating to requiring that the Division of Corrections provide each probationer with physical copies of their birth certificate and Social Security Administration card upon release from a facility"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, D. Smith, Jennings, Moore, Horst, Heckert, Phillips, Hornby, Street and Hillenbrand:

H. B. 2491 - "A Bill to amending and reenacting §47-21A-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to repealing the requirement that online charitable raffle licensees utilize a geo-location or geo-fencing technology to ensure that raffle participants are located within the state"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pritt, Clay, T. Clark and Brooks:

H. B. 2492 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §5-5-4c, relating to pay equity salary adjustments for employees of the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Rohrbach, Fehrenbacher, Hott, D. Smith, Hornby, Green, Phillips, Jeffries, J. Cannon and Riley:

H. B. 2493 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §29A-3-21, relating to creation of the sound science in regulations act; providing that agencies may not propose or promulgate certain legislative rules or regulatory actions that are not based on the best available science; defining terms; providing that the act does not impact any regulatory action by a state agency in existence before the effective date of the statute, any regulatory action by a state agency in furtherance of federal agency primacy requirements, or any regulatory action by a state agency that is the same in substance as a counterpart federal regulation"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Hite, Vance and W. Clark:

H. B. 2494 - "A Bill to repeal §21-6-3 and §21-6-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend and reenact §21-6-5 and §21-6-8 of said code; to repeal §21-6-8a of said code; and to amend and reenact §21-6-10 of said code, relating to eliminating requirement that 14 or 15 year old obtain a work permit; establishing that employer seeking to hire a child 14 or older receive an age certificate from the commission prior to employing the child; providing commissioner the authority to issue age certificates for children ages 14 and over; and providing penalties for a person that issues an age certificate in violation of the article"; to the Committee on Government Organization then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Hite and Hornby:

H. B. 2495 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §29-1-8e, relating to making the Berkeley County Roundhouse Authority a part of the Division of Culture and History"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegate Street:

H. B. 2496 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11A-1-3 and §11A-1-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to payment of real estate taxes quarterly"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Hite, W. Clark and Hornby:

H. B. 2497 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-5-7; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-2-5a; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-4-5c, relating to mandating executive branch agencies, State Police, and county boards of education implementation of a regional differential pay designated, 'Locality Pay'; providing that no private cause of action or right to grievance arises from operation of this mandate"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 2498 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §24-2J-1, relating to requiring all public and private utility systems that are granted rate increases to set aside 5% of these funds for repairs and improvements to the

physical utility infrastructure; establishing limitations on the use of these funds; prohibiting passing this cost on to the consumers"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 2499 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-3-13, relating to creating an in-person training course for principals in public schools; informing teachers of due process rights; and providing for an Individualized Education Program format"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 2500 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-7a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to ensuring that schools that get a qualified applicant cannot readvertise positions once a good-faith offer has already been made to said qualified applicant by the principal and accepted by the qualified applicant"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Roop:

H. B. 2501 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §38-10-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing for a surviving spouse the ability to claim the deceased spouse's homestead exemption so long as the home they owned together is owned by the surviving spouse"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Hillenbrand, Crouse, Butler, Shamblin, Hall, Sheedy, Cooper, Linville, Brooks, Rohrbach and Holstein:

H. B. 2502 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §46A-6-111, 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); requiring providers to automatically credit the customer's account for the lack of service proportional to the number of days disrupted services providers relating to customer outages; requiring credits to accounts; designating Attorney General to enforce section; and establishing civil penalties"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Burkhammer, Mazzocchi, Hite, Hamilton, Pinson, Worrell, Miller, Pushkin, Petitto, Heckert and Chiarelli:

H. B. 2503 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §49-12-101, §49-12-102, §49-12-103, and §49-12-104, relating to necessity allowance; setting forth the purpose of the article, defining terms; setting forth the requirements to obtain funding from the Department of Social Services for approved necessities, an adequate wardrobe and any supplementary clothing assistance; and setting forth the amount and form of payment"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 2504 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to ensuring that counties or their officers may not prevent crowd-sourcing, or other meaningful current methods for fundraising, from the available fundraising methods available to teachers"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 2505 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section designated §11-21-23, relating to allowing a tax credit for the cost of spaying or neutering a dog or cat"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Linville, Hillenbrand, Sheedy, Clay, Pritt, Butler, Brooks, Hite, Ridenour, Roop and Holstein:

H. B. 2506 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §17A-10-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to vehicles exempt from payment of registration fees, by lowering the percentage of a service-connected disability required for exemption from 100% to 50% or greater; and, by adding recipients of the Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, or Air Force Cross, to the list of persons who may receive such exemption"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Statler, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin, Dittman and Rohrbach:

H. B. 2507 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5-16-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the use of accrued annual and sick leave for retirement service credit in the Teachers Retirement System"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Statler, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin and Dittman:

H. B. 2508 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-7A-28 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the State Teachers Retirement System; options to beneficiaries; and authorizing a change of options because of death of beneficiary with a joint life annuity, within the first five years of retirement"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Shamblin, Dittman and Cooper:

H. B. 2509 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §59-1-14 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to fees charged by sheriffs"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Horst, Phillips, Sheedy, Moore, Bridges, Crouse, Hornby, Heckert, Masters, Worrell and Jeffries:

H. B. 2510 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §20-2-65, relating to allowing for the use of drones with thermal imaging for the recovery of big game; providing for definitions; and providing for limitations"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Linville, Hillenbrand, Sheedy, Clay, Butler, Hite, Ridenour, D. Smith, Roop and Kimble:

H. B. 2511 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §47-20-2 and §60-7-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931 as amended; relating to charitable bingo and alcohol sales and consumption while such bingo is taking place; adding an exemption for the consumption or sale of alcohol at bingo games at a Veterans Service Organization; defining terms; and explicitly including a Veterans Service Organization as an entity which may conduct charitable bingo games"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Toney, Vance, Cooper, Shamblin and Dittman:

H. B. 2512 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-8 and §18A-4-8a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating three separate job titles for school bus operators; and establishing pay scales"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Toney and Vance:

H. B. 2513 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to county boards of education members; increasing the number of annual training hours for county board members; modifying the subjects on which county board members must be trained; authorizing the State Board to require board members to complete additional training upon request from the State Superintendent; adding ex officio members to the county

board member training standards review committee; and requiring the State Superintendent to make an annual report to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability relating to county board member training"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Ellington, Statler, Hornby, Crouse, Willis, Dittman, Toney and Campbell:

H. B. 2514 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-7f and §18-2E-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to removing one-time reports to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability regarding the implementation of extended learning opportunity programs and regarding the multi-tiered system of support for early literacy and numeracy"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Ellington, Statler, Hornby, Crouse, Willis, Dittman, Toney and Campbell:

H. B. 2515 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-5-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elementary behavior intervention and safety; clarifying that nothing herein may be construed to conflict with certain federal laws; specifying requirements applicable to when a grade kindergarten through six teacher in an elementary setting determines that the behavior of a student is violent, threatening, or intimidating toward staff or peers, or creates an unsafe learning environment, or impedes on other students' ability to learn in a safe environment; setting forth a disciplinary procedure for students in grades six through twelve; and requiring the State Board to adopt a statewide disciplinary policy, to be approved by the Legislature"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Ellington, Statler, Hornby, Crouse, Willis, Dittman, Toney and Campbell:

H. B. 2516 - "A Bill to repeal §18-1-4, §18-2-16, §18-2-16a, §18-2-39, §18-2A-1, §18-2A-2, §18-2A-3, §18-2A-4, §18-2A-5, §18-2A-6, §18-2A-7, §18-2A-8, §18-5B-1, §18-5B-2, §18-5B-3, §18-5B-4, §18-5B-5, §18-5B-6, §18-5B-7, §18-5B-8, §18-5B-9, §18-5B-10, §18-5B-11, §18-5B-12, §18-5B-13, §18-5B-14, §18-10H-6 and §18-10H-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; relating to repeal of antiquated and inoperative provisions of code"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Kimble, White, Anders, Coop-Gonzalez, Masters, Mazzocchi, T. Howell, Butler, Jeffries, Phillips and McGeehan:

H. B. 2517 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the establishment of voluntary vaccinations and the elimination of vaccine mandates for all citizens of West Virginia"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Anders, White, Ridenour, Dean and Bridges:

H. B. 2518 - "A Bill to repeal §11-16-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to repeal §11-17-1, §11-17-2, §11-17-3, §11-17-4, §11-17-4a, §11-17-4b, §11-17-5, §11-17-6, §11-17-7, §11-17-9, §11-17-10, §11-17-11, §11-17-12, §11-17-13, §11-17-17, §11-17-19, §11-17-19a, §11-17-19b, §11-17-19c, §11-17-20, §11-17-20a, §11-17-20b, §11-17-21, §11-17-22, and §11-17-23 of said code; to repeal §29-22C-26 of said code; to repeal §60-3A-21 of said code; and to repeal §60-8-4 and §60-8-24, all relating to repealing taxes on alcohol, tobacco, and gambling"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Ellington, Vance, Shamblin, Dittman and Cooper:

H. B. 2519 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-8a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to providing school service personnel a monthly raise of \$900"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Vance and Cooper:

H. B. 2520 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-2-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to changing the recommended guidelines for full-day and half-day cooks to the minimum ratio of one cook for every 110 meals prepared and served"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin, Dittman and Cooper:

H. B. 2521 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-10-56, relating to a one-time cost-of-living supplement to retirement benefits under \$75,000 a year"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Toney, Vance, Ellington, Shamblin, Dittman, Cooper and Rohrbach:

H. B. 2522 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-2A-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to lowering the age of retirants from the West Virginia State Police Retirement System that are eligible to receive an annual annuity adjustment"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegate Riley:

H. B. 2523 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-21-20 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the personal income tax; alleviating double taxation on foreign income at the state level; and sunsetting the credit for income tax paid on foreign income in 2070"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegate Steele:

H. B. 2524 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-13-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that a municipal services user fee may not be imposed on employees of the state because of their employment status"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Coop-Gonzalez, Anders, White, Kump, Chiarelli, Brooks, Ridenour, Horst, Foggin and Leavitt:

H. B. 2525 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-33-9, relating to requiring public elementary schools and secondary schools to display in a conspicuous place in each classroom of the school a durable poster or framed copy of the Ten Commandments that meets certain requirements, listing requirements for the posters or framed and uses for surplus posters"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

Miscellaneous Business

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

- Delegate Akers: H. B. 2061.
- Delegate D. Cannon: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Drennan: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate T. Howell: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Funkhouser: H. B. 2129 and H. J. R. 13.

- Delegate Hite: H. B. 2354.
- Delegate Hornby: H. B. 2042, H. B. 2066, and H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Hott: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Kelly: H. B. 2066 and H. B. 2383.
- Delegate Kimble: H. B. 2129.
- Delegate Kyle: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Mazzocchi: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate McCormick: H. B. 2163.
- Delegate McGeehan: H. B. 2061.
- Delegate Pinson: H. B. 2129 and H. B. 2352.
- Delegate Pritt: H. B. 2354.
- Delegate Ridenour: H. B. 2061 and H. B. 2129.
- Delegate B. Smith: H. B. 2027, H. B. 2034, H. B. 2057, H. B. 2058, H. B. 2070, H. B. 2071, H. B. 2075, H. B. 2077, H. B. 2078, H. B. 2082, H. B. 2083, H. B. 2086, H. B. 2092, H. B. 2093, H. B. 2101, H. B. 2102, H. B. 2104, H. B. 2115, H. B. 2116, H. B. 2117, H. B. 2118, H. B. 2148, H. B. 2186, H. B. 2189, H. B. 2190, H. B. 2382, H. B. 2390, H. B. 2393, H. B. 2394, H. B. 2395, and H. B. 2397.
- Delegate White: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Willis: H. B. 2127.
- Delegate Worrell: H. B. 2354.

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

- Delegate Barnhart: H. C. R. 33.
- Delegate Brooks: H. C. R. 33.
- Delegate Clark: H. B. 2525.
- Delegate DeVault: H. C. R. 33.
- Delegate Heckert: H. C. R. 33.
- Delegate Lucas: H. C. R. 33.
- Delegate Mallow: H. B. 2383.

- Delegate McGeehan: H. C. R. 33.

At 11:28 a.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

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SPECIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

7th Day

11:00 A.M.

NO BILLS

HOUSE CALENDAR

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7th Day

11:00 A.M.

NO BILLS

WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

HOUSE CONVENES AT 11:00 A.M.

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

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
9:00 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS
9:30 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS AND LEGAL SERVICES
10:00 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES
10:30 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM**

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION
2:00 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM**

**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION
1:00 P.M. – GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE ROOM 215E**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, COMMERCE AND TOURISM
2:00 P.M. – GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE ROOM 215E**

**COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES
4:00 P.M. – HEALTH COMMITTEE ROOM 215E**

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

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