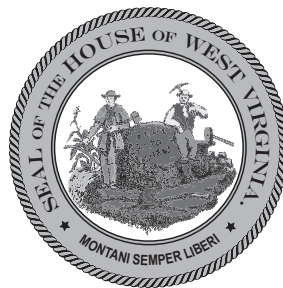


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[DELEGATE ROHRBACH, MR. SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE, IN THE CHAIR]

The House of Delegates was called to order by the Honorable Matthew Rohrbach, Speaker Pro Tempore.

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

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of Thursday, March 6, 2025, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

Committee Reports

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

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration:

H. B. 2719, Campaign finance and reporting,

H. B. 2774, Coach Protection Act,

H. B. 2781, Relating to the meaning of residence for the Purpose of Bail,

And,

H. B. 2867, Relating to Small Estates,

And reports the same back with the recommendation that they each do pass.

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. 2711, Relating to the repeal of the common law rule against perpetuities by extending it to 1,000 years for all trusts,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2711 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §36-1A-1, §36-1A-2, §36-1A-5, §36-1A-6, and §36-1A-7, of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to the repeal of the common law rule against perpetuities by extending it to 1,000 years for all trusts,"

And,

H. B. 2761, Relating generally to magistrate courts,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2761 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §50-2-1 and §50-4-4a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the jurisdictional limits of magistrate courts in civil actions,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitutes each do pass.

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

Your Committee on Finance has had under consideration:

H. B. 2473, Increasing and maintaining the bracketed tax rates on the privilege of establishing or operating a health maintenance organization,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for 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,"

And,

H. B. 2501, Relating to exemptions of property in bankruptcy proceedings,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2501 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §38-10-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exemptions from property of an estate in bankruptcy proceedings; providing for surviving spouse the ability to claim deceased spouse's exemption in joint residence so long as the home they owned together is owned by the surviving spouse; and exempting payment by any governmental entity to subsidize the adoption of a minor child,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitutes each do pass.

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

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration:

H. B. 2187, Permit teachers in K-12 schools be authorized to carry concealed firearms as a designated school protection officer,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2187 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-11a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to possessing deadly weapons on premises of educational

facilities; authorizing teachers, administrators, or support personnel in elementary or secondary schools to carry concealed firearms and be designated as a school protection officer ("SPO"); providing for approval of a prospective SPO by the county superintendent; requiring the SPO to provide certain information and meet certain qualifications to become a SPO; providing for the Justice and Community Services section within the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security to develop curriculum and coordinate with local county law enforcement to provide instruction and training, including firearms training, that prospective SPO's must complete in order to be certified as a SPO; setting forth curriculum of the initial and requalification instruction and training for an SPO; and providing for funding,"

And,

H. B. 2576, NIL Protection Act,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2576 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §18B-22-1, §18B-22-2, §18B-22-3, §18B-22-4, and §18B-22-5, relating to name, image, or likeness in intercollegiate athletics; defining terms; authorizing institutions of higher education to facilitate and enter into agreements relating to a student-athlete's name, image, or likeness; limiting the ability of athletic associations, athletic conferences, or other similarly situated oversight or regulatory organizations to regulate an institution or a student-athlete with respect to activities for compensation involving a student-athlete name, image, or likeness; limiting the purposes for which student-athletes may earn compensation for the use of name, image, or likeness; and providing provisions for causes of action,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitutes each do pass, but that they first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2187, H. B. 2576 and Com. Sub. for H. B. 2576) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration:

H. B. 2595, Non Profit Athletics Act,

And reports the same back, with amendment, with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended, but that it first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

In accordance with the former direction of the Speaker, the bill (H. B. 2595) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

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

H. B. 2402, Relating to providing access to medical records; providing access to a minor's medical record,

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. 2402) to the Committee on the Judiciary was abrogated.

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. 2347, Relating generally to the creation of mental hygiene regions by the Supreme Court of Appeals,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2347 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §27-5-1, §27-5-1b, §27-5-2, and §27-5-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §27-5-2b; to amend said code by adding a new article, designated §27-5A-1, §27-5A-2; and §27-5A-3; relating generally to the creation of mental hygiene regions by the Supreme Court of Appeals; clarifying that mental hygiene evaluations and proceedings may be conducted by video technology; granting civil immunity for mental health service providers who do involuntary commitment proceedings and setting out exceptions; creating a temporary observation release for mental hygiene respondents; clarifying that chief medical officer releases requiring approval of circuit court only apply to forensic patients; requiring hearings for any commitment period of longer than 90 days and prohibiting any person from being civilly committed to longer than 120 days without a hearing to determine whether the individual continues to meet commitment criteria; removing obsolete language regarding transcripts of proceedings to circuit court of county of residence; restructuring the mental hygiene commissioner system by authorizing new mental hygiene regions and full-time mental hygiene commissioners employed by the Supreme Court of Appeals; authorizing mental hygiene proceedings and evaluations by video and requiring facilities to provide technology that meets Supreme Court of Appeals specifications; authorizing statewide coverage for mental hygiene evaluations and permitting a mental hygiene commissioner to exclude evaluator testimony based on the West Virginia Rules of Evidence; and requiring each Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center to ensure that at least one examiner is available to provide uniform and continuous coverage in each region, including afterhours, weekends, and holidays,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute 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 (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2347) 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. 2233, Relating to authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to standards of performance for new stationary sources,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2233 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §64-3-1 *et seq.* of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing certain agencies of the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate legislative rules; authorizing the rules as filed, as modified, and as amended by the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee, and as amended by the Legislature; directing the Department of Environmental Protection to amend current legislative rules; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the hazardous waste management system; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the ambient air quality standards; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the standards of performance for new stationary sources; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the control of air pollution from hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facilities; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the emissions standards for hazardous air pollutants; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the requirements governing water quality standards; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the underground injection control; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the water pollution control permit fee schedules; and directing the Department of Environmental Protection to amend a legislative rule relating to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

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. 3030, Administration of the West Virginia Water Pollution Control Act,

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

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:

Com. Sub. for S. B. 358, Authorizing Department of Transportation to promulgate legislative rules,

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

Resolutions Introduced

Resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Delegates Toney and Vance:

H. C. R. 77 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number: (55A106), (37.69680, -81.52925), locally known as the Laurel Fork Bridge, carrying Mabel Street over Glen Fork in Wyoming County, the "Jim Sigmon Family Memorial Bridge."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Adkins, Akers, Amos, Anders, Barnhart, Bridges, Brooks, Browning, Campbell, D. Cannon, J. Cannon, Canterbury, Chiarelli, T. Clark, W. Clark, Clay, Coop-Gonzalez, Criss, Crouse, Dean, DeVault, Dillon, Dittman, Drennan, Eldridge, Ellington, Fehrenbacher, Ferrell, Flanigan, Foggin, Funkhouser, Garcia, Gearheart, Green, Hall, Hamilton, Hansen, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Heckert, Hite, Holstein, Hornbuckle, Hornby, Horst, Hott, G. Howell, T. Howell, Jeffries, Jennings, Kelly, Kimble, Kump, Kyle, Leavitt, Linville, Mallow, Marple, Masters, Maynor, Mazzocchi, McCormick, Miller, Moore, Parsons, Petitto, Phillips, Pritt, Pushkin, Riley, Rohrbach, Roop, Shamblin, Sheedy, B. Smith, D. Smith, Statler, Steele, Stephens, Street, Toney, Vance, Ward, White, Williams, Willis, Worrell, Young, Zatezalo and Lewis:

H. C. R. 78 --"Requesting the Division of Highways to make the completion of I-73, the King Coal Highway, in its entirety a high priority project"; to the Committee on Rules

By Delegate Mazzocchi:

H. C. R. 79 --"Requesting the Division of Highways to name the portion of County Route 3/2, also named Moses Fork Road, from its intersection at Old County Road (37.872177, -82.174614) to its intersection at East Fork of Twelvepole Road (37.872016, -82.151667) in Mingo County, the "Donald Tackett Jr. Memorial Road""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegate Young:

H. C. R. 80 --"Urging Marshall University and West Virginia University to lead a child care consortium, in consultation with the Department of Human Services and the Department of Education, stakeholders, and experts, to create a cost of care estimator tool, which enables the state to model actual costs of child care"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Rules

By Delegates W. Clark, Lucas, McCormick and Moore:

H. C. R. 81 --"Requesting the Department of Tourism to consult and coordinate with the West Virginia Golf Association in order to create a feasible plan for a tourism promoting state public golfing trail with at least one public course in each of the state's nine tourism districts, utilizing each of the public golf courses in the State Park system, and designating such golf trail as West Virginia's Almost Heaven Golf Trail"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Rules

By Delegates Campbell, Cooper and Canterbury:

H. C. R. 82 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name Bridge Number: 13-036/03-000.30 () (13A193), (37.80392, -80.30595) locally known as CAN CREEK BRIDGE, carrying CR 036/03 over CAN CREEK in Greenbrier County, the "U. S. Army PFC Paul Ralph Bittinger Sr. Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

By Delegates Pritt, Clay, Brooks, T. Howell and Leavitt:

H. C. R. 83 --"Requesting the Division of Highways name Bridge Number: 20-061/00-000.32 () (20A177), (38.18011, -81.33495) locally known as MORRIS CK BR #2492.1, carrying WV 61 over MORRIS CK & PRIVATE RD in Kanawha County, the "Benny Filiaggi, III Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

And,

By Delegates Ridenour, Mazzocchi, Butler, Hillenbrand, Ward, Coop-Gonzalez, Jennings, Phillips, Funkhouser and D. Cannon:

H. C. R. 84 --"Opposing the People's Republic of China's (PRC's) Misuse of United Nations Resolution 2758 to Delegitimize Taiwan and Exclude Taiwan from International Organizations"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Rules

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

By Delegates Dillon, T. Howell and Ridenour:

H. J. R. 35 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia providing for the election of the state superintendent of free schools in the general election; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment"; to the Committee on Education then the Judiciary.

And,

By Delegates Dillon, Masters, T. Howell and Ridenour:

H. J. R. 36 - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, amending section two, article XII thereof, relating to clarifying the West Virginia Board of Education duties and authority; 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.

Bills Introduced

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

By Delegates Ferrell, W. Clark, Stephens, Dittman, Toney, Shamblin, Foggin, Campbell and Pritt:

H. B. 3210 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to modifying the procedure for teachers when using leave"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Chiarelli, Young and Williams:

H. B. 3211 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §15A-10-26, related to providing cancer prevention programs for firefighters"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Barnhart, Shamblin and Foggin:

H. B. 3212 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §47-21-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to reducing the license fee paid to the Tax Commissioner for annual Raffle licenses for volunteer fire departments to \$250"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Barnhart and Foggin:

H. B. 3213 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-13A-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing that if a public service board represents more than one community, there shall be one member from each such community on the service district board"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Ferrell, Hall, Fehrenbacher, W. Clark, DeVault, Moore and Drennan:

H. B. 3214 - "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, §5B-2P-6, §5B-2P-7, §5B-2P-8, §5B-2P-9, §5B-2P-10, §5B-2P-11, §5B-2P-12, and §5B-2P-13, relating to creation of the Mountain Homes Act; setting out a short title; setting out legislative findings; defining terms; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date; providing for a sunset date; creating the Mountain Homes Fund; providing for the purposes of the fund; providing for administration of the fund; providing for recordkeeping; requiring reporting to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance and the Governor; setting out required elements for the report; exempting certain materials from the Freedom of Information Act; establishing criteria for eligibility for use of funds; requiring an application for use of funds; setting out elements necessary to be included on the application; providing for exclusions from use of funds; providing for application approval; establishing evaluation standards and criteria; providing for a final agreement; setting out terms of the agreement; allowing for an extension of time; requiring adjacent properties to be subject to additional approval; providing for administration of the act; setting out powers and duties of the Department of Economic Development; and providing for a criminal penalty for a false statement"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Young:

H. B. 3215 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §15A-10- 26, relating to establishing an early detection cancer screening pilot program for active and retired firefighters"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates T. Howell, Jennings, White, Petitto, Clay, Jeffries and Dillon:

H. B. 3216 - "A Bill amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-4A-26a, relating to mandate, in conjunction with the use of electronic voting machines for elections, that poll workers manually count physical ballots at each precinct at the close of the election"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates T. Howell, G. Howell, Mazzocchi, Jennings, Drennan, Amos, White, Petitto, Dittman, Kyle and Clay:

H. B. 3217 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, to add thereto a new article designated §22-1B-1, relating to requiring public notification of hazardous environmental spills"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates T. Howell, G. Howell, Mazzocchi, Jennings, Drennan, Pritt, Petitto, Dittman, Kyle, Clay and Holstein:

H. B. 3218 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-29-1, §11-29-2, §11-29-3, §11-29-4, §11-29-5, §11-29-6, and §11-29-7 relating to the creation of the West Virginia Economic Development and Property Revitalization Tax Credit Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Crouse, Masters, Horst, Bridges, Dean, White and Petitto:

H. B. 3219 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-7-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the right to bear arms as a fundamental right as provided for in the Second Amendment in the United States Constitution and Article 3-22 in the West Virginia Constitution; defining a crime of violence; and clarifying that law enforcement officers of this state may not infringe on individuals right to bear arms"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Dillon, T. Howell, White, Petitto, Pritt, Vance, Mazzocchi, Browning, Moore, Kimble and Jennings:

H. B. 3220 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18-5-13e, relating to creating a moratorium on school closures and consolidations pending a West Virginia Department of Education ('WVDE') school aid formula proposal"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Drennan, Cooper, Canterbury, Moore, Marple, Street, D. Smith, Roop, Campbell, Hillenbrand and Sheedy:

H. B. 3221 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §9A-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating burial equity for former members of the national guard and military reserves; prescribing eligibility criteria; stating its retroactive application; establishing a Burial Equity Grant Program to be administered by Veterans Affairs; and creating a Burial Equity Fund"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Flanigan, Eldridge, Rohrbach and Hornbuckle:

H. B. 3222 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-4-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring that doctors who grant medical cannabis cards have a physical office located within the state of West Virginia"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pritt:

H. B. 3223 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-15-4c and §11-22-2 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, relating to fees collected and deposited into the Affordable Housing Fund"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Hansen, Lewis, Hamilton and Young:

H. B. 3224 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §33-13-25, §33-14-8, §33-15-1b, §33-15A-6, and §33-25-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and to amend said code by adding thereto new section, designated §33-16-11a, all relating to prohibiting an insurer from declining or limiting coverage on a person under any life insurance policy, major medical coverage policy, disability insurance policy, or long-term care insurance policy solely due to the status of that person as a living organ donor"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Hansen, Lewis, Hamilton and Williams:

H. B. 3225 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a two new sections, designated §18-2-46 and §18-5-52; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §18C-10-1, §18C-10-2, §18C-10-3, §18C-10-4, and §18C-10-5, all relating to creating a statewide initiative to promote teacher preparation programs aimed at underrepresented groups; providing that the West Virginia State Board of Education will create an initiative for this purpose; providing that county boards of education in this state will create initiatives for this purpose; establishing a scholarship fund and providing for funding; providing for definitions; setting forth criteria for the scholarship; and enacting the scholarship"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Lewis, Young and Williams:

H. B. 3226 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-19-3, §16-19-4, and §16-19-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to living anatomical gifts; providing definition; establishing who may make a living anatomical gift and for what purposes; and establishing requirements for obtaining consent of the donor to make the gift"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pushkin and Kump:

H. B. 3227 - "A Bill to amend §3-10-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to preserving the will of the voters by requiring the Governor appoint a new member of the House of Delegates from the same political party from which the elected member vacating the seat was elected"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3228 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article designated §46A-6O-1, §46A-6O-2, §46A-6O-3, §46A-6O-4, §46A-6O-5, §46A-6O-6, §46A-6O-7, §46A-6O-8, §46A-6O-9, and §46A-6O-10, relating to placing upon the manufacturers of manufactured homes the duty to meet their obligations and responsibilities under the terms of the express warranties extended to the consumers in this state; and providing consumers additional remedies to enforce the warranties"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3229 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-3-2 and §16A-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing possession and smoking of medical cannabis by approved persons"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3230 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16A-3-2 and §16A-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §16A-5-11, relating to the cultivation of medical cannabis; allowing patients and their caregivers to cultivate medical cannabis for patients' personal consumption"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Young and Anderson:

H. B. 3231 - "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.

By Delegate Young:

H. B. 3232 - "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, all relating to the creation of the West Virginia ALS Care Services Act, listing findings and purpose; requiring Department of Human Services to provide care services coordination and support; provide access to assistive technology, medical equipment, and ramp loan programs; and facilitate access to multidisciplinary ALS clinics; appropriating funds from the general revenue fund to support this Act; and establishing an effective date"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegate Young:

H. B. 3233 - "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 Buy-In Program; requiring the Department of Human Services to develop and administer the Insurance 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 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 options and innovation waivers to maximize federal funding of the Program"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle and Williams:

H. B. 3234 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-46, relating to requiring public high schools to have full-time athletic trainers"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

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

H. B. 3235 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §33-16-3g and §33-24-7b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and to amend said code by adding thereto 7 new sections, designated §5-16-7h, §16-5A-6, §33-15-4y, §33-16-3pp, §33-24-7z, §33-25-8w, and §33-25A-8z, all relating to insurance coverage for breast cancer screening"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Flanigan, Pritt, Brooks, Eldridge, Chiarelli, Rohrbach, Amos, Shamblin, Campbell, Akers and Willis:

H. B. 3236 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §26-1-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to operating state owned health facilities; and requiring the Secretary of Health to establish a long term psychiatric, mental health assistance hospital facility or home to serve the needs of homeless persons"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Flanigan, Fluharty, Pritt and Marple:

H. B. 3237 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-12-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to property liens; and providing governing bodies who are required to file a lien against a property owner for demolition of dilapidated or abandoned property to report the owner to a credit report"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Anders, Kump, White, Coop-Gonzalez and Horst:

H. B. 3238 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-1-4 and §3-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to voting in the state; requiring that voting shall be by paper ballot; and providing that only active members of the United States Armed Forces, which consist of six services: the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, and the Coast Guard, or persons who are handicapped and disabled may vote absentee ballots"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Fehrenbacher, Crouse, G. Howell and McCormick:

H. B. 3239 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5B-12-1, §5B-12-2, §5B-12-3, §5B-12-4, §5B-12-5, §5B-12-6, §5B-12-7, §5B-12-8, §5B-12-9, and §5B-12-10, all relating to child-care assistance; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and declaration of public purpose; providing definitions; establishing the administration of the program; promulgating administrative regulations; establishing a fund; clarifying employer responsibilities; clarifying termination of a tri-share agreement; creating incentives; and creating penalties"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3240 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto two new sections, designated §16-1-23 and §16-1-23a, relating to social determinants of health; establishing the Minority Health Advisory Team, including its composition and duties; authorizing a Community Health Equity Initiative Demonstration Project; authorizing the Commissioner of the Bureau for Public Health to establish a Community Health Equity Initiative Demonstration Project; establishing eligibility requirements; providing for the administration of the demonstration project; establishing requirements for a demonstration project plan and the selection of communities for participation; establishing reporting requirements; and establishing the date on which the demonstration project terminates"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3241 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-20-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing language requiring specific appropriations in order for the State Board of Education, State Department of Education, and the State Superintendent of Schools to provide education to children and adults housed in correctional facilities and regional jails"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3242 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-2C-1, §15-2C-3, §15-2C-4 and §15-2C-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-2C-2a, relating to creating a domestic violence registry; providing a purpose; directing the Criminal Identification Bureau of the West Virginia State Police to establish and maintain the registry; providing for confidential inquiry of persons on the registry; establishing criteria for placement on and releasing information from the registry; requiring prosecuting attorneys to provide certain information; and defining terms"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3243 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-9A-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to calculation of the school aid formula based on net enrollment at alternative and year-round schools"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3244 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §61-11-26 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the removal of limitations on the expungement of certain criminal convictions"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pushkin and Hamilton:

H. B. 3245 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §48-27-301 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to directing the Supreme Court of Appeals to create a pilot domestic violence court in Kanawha County"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3246 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2D-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to certificates of need; prohibiting expanding drug and alcohol treatment facilities and services in certain counties"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3247 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §11-24-11c, relating to providing a tax credit for obtaining certain certifications by the United States Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design green building rating system or the Green Globes Building Initiative green building rating standard; setting forth the amount of the credit; establishing who may take the credit; establishing the amount of the credit; establishing the criteria for taking the credit; providing rule-making authority; and defining terms"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Finance.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3248 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9-5-34, relating to the West Virginia Medicaid program; and requiring West Virginia Medicaid managed care organizations to contract with any otherwise qualified provider"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3249 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto 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 Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3250 - "A Bill to repeal §16B-13-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing the Certificate of Need moratorium on opioid treatment facilities"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3251 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §60-4-3a and §60-7-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing a bar to purchase liquor from a distillery or a mini-distillery if it is within 10 miles of the distillery or mini-distillery and the liquor was made at the distillery or mini-distillery"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3252 - "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 Delegate Pushkin:

H. B. 3253 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto 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 and §55-22-8, relating to the establishing of the West Virginia Public Participation Act; providing legislative findings and declarations; defining terms; authorizing litigants to petition for dismissal of strategic lawsuits against public participation; establishing procedures for dismissal; setting burdens of proof; providing for judicial review of any decision on a petition for dismissal; providing for the award of attorneys' fees, costs and other relief; and providing for exceptions and limitations on the applicability of the West Virginia Public Participation Act"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Delegates Pritt, Flanigan, Clay, Hornbuckle, Hamilton, Dittman, Drennan, Moore, Campbell, Vance and Young:

H. B. 3254 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5D-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing the Summer Feeding for All Program; providing findings; directing a county-by-county assessment of non-school day student initiative; addressing food insecurities; empowering county school boards to develop initiatives and programs for feeding students in need during summer and other non-school time periods; providing county board reporting requirements to the Office of Child Nutrition; and directing the Office of Child Nutrition to collect and distribute information regarding available food resources"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

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

H. B. 3255 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article designated §7-28-1, §7-28-2, §7-28-3, §7-28-4, §7-28-5, §7-28-6 and §7-28-7, relating to authorizing counties to establish a county daycare; providing for a petition process to instigate the creation of a county daycare; allowing a county commission to propose a fee, tax or levy to pay for creating and maintaining the county daycare; allowing a county commission to establish a county daycare authority; providing for a county vote on creating and funding a daycare; to establish and manage a county daycare; and allowing a county commission to fund or alternatively propose a tax, fee, or levy to fund the daycare for voter approval; and providing guidelines for establishing and managing the daycare"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Lewis, Hamilton and Williams:

H. B. 3256 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to granting full time employees of county boards of education three months of paid leave following the birth of a child, or the placement of a child in the home through adoption or foster care; and providing that the leave is in addition to any other leave available to the employee"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Hansen, Lewis and Hamilton:

H. B. 3257 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §30-29-15, relating to the establishment of the Police Partnering With Communities Act; providing for a short title; providing for legislative findings; defining a 'distressed area; providing for the establishment of the Police Partnering With Communities Fund; and providing for an effective date"; to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.

By Delegates Hornbuckle, Pushkin, Lewis and Hamilton:

H. B. 3258 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15A-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring correctional facilities to assist juvenile and adult offenders to obtain a Social Security number and card, a birth certificate, and a driver's license"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

H. B. 3259 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to raising the state minimum salary schedule for teachers; and raising the state minimum salary for teachers to \$50,000"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

By Delegate Young:

H. B. 3260 - "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 Delegates Parsons, Eldridge, Sheedy, Adkins, B. Smith, D. Cannon, Dean and Hite:

H. B. 3261 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §30-7-15 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, relating to clarifying the qualifications required for the administration of anesthesia"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

By Delegates G. Howell, Masters and Kump:

H. B. 3262 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §7-1-17, relating to providing for the recusal of a county commissioner in certain circumstances"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

By Delegates Pushkin and Young:

H. B. 3263 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §24-2-22, relating to providing notification of utility service disruption to its' customers; requiring utilities to have an outage communication plan; and authorizing the Public Service Commission to receive each utility's notification plan"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates Linville, J. Cannon and Akers:

H. B. 3264 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §11-6J-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the ad valorem property valuation of specialized high-technology property; providing that certain property used in electronic data processing services be included as specialized high-technology property"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Delegates Linville and G. Howell:

H. B. 3265 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5B-2Q-1, §5B-2Q-2, §5B-2Q-3, §5B-2Q-4, §5B-2Q-5, §5B-2Q-6, §5B-2Q-7, §5B-2Q-8, §5B-2Q-9, §5B-2Q-10, and §5B-2Q-11, relating to fiber optic broadband lines crossing railroads; providing legislative findings and purpose; providing definitions; establishing requirements for broadband service provider to cross railroad company property; establishing one-time standard cumulative crossing fee; establishing responsibilities of broadband service provider and railroad during construction; requiring broadband service provider reimburse railroad for flagging expenses; creating exception to fee for construction of crossing within public right-of-way; establishing requirements for construction crossing abandoned track; creating civil remedies for railroad or broadband provider for relief in certain circumstances; providing for state to grant right of way in certain circumstances; and providing for application of section"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

By Delegates T. Clark, Stephens, Pritt, Campbell, Foggin and Heckert:

H. B. 3266 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-8-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating generally to compulsory school attendance"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Riley:

H. B. 3267 - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §8-12-28, relating to exempting local taxes and fees from a duly elected municipal utility board, its contractors, subcontractors, and vendors"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

By Delegates Ferrell, Rohrbach, Barnhart, W. Clark, Campbell, Vance, Mallow, Pritt, T. Clark, Heckert and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker):

H. B. 3268 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-2-25, §18-2-25e, and §29A-3A-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend said code by adding a new section, designated

§18-2-25f, relating generally to the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission; clarifying rulemaking authority; allowing the commission to pull the coaching credentials under certain circumstances; requiring that the commission modify its rules regarding athletic eligibility after transferring schools; requiring that the commission may modify its rules regarding incoming ninth grade student academic eligibility requirements; and updating rulemaking definitions"; to the Committee on Education.

By Delegate Criss:

H. B. 3269 - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5F-2-1, §31A-2-2, §31A-2-3, §31A-2-4, §31A-2-4a, §31A-2-4b, §31A-2-5, §31A-2-6, §31A-2-7, §31A-2-8, §31A-2-9, §31A-2-12, §31A-2-14, §31A-3-1 and §31A-3-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding two new sections, designated §5F-2-1b and §5F-2-9; relating to reorganizing Board of Banking and Financial Institutions, Division of Financial Institutions, and Lending and Credit Rate Board into independent division and boards of the executive branch beginning January 1, 2026; removing references to former Department of Banking; designating Board of Banking and Financial Institutions as chief executive body under reorganization structure; providing Division of Financial Institutions and Lending and Credit Rate Board with oversight and supervision by Board of Banking and Financial Institutions; requiring Board of Banking and Financial Institutions to approve any policy decision, proposed budget, or personnel-related decision of Division of Financial Institutions; exempting Division of Financial Institutions from classified service system; establishing merit-based system for personnel administration for Division of Financial Institutions; authorizing commissioner to establish merit-based system; authorizing current employees to opt into classified-exempt system in writing; modifying qualifications for positions of commissioner and deputy commissioner; providing for reimbursement of travel expenses; providing uniformity in code to references of National Multistate Licensing System and Registry; providing requirements for commissioner's merit-based policy for employment positions; authorizing commissioner to employ additional staff; requiring commissioner to propose annual budget to Board of Banking and Financial Institutions; requiring ten percent of total revenue collected by commissioner be deposited into the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury; authorizing commissioner to employ additional support staff; providing that balances of commissioner's assessment and examination fund' remaining at end of each fiscal year remain in the fund; requiring all fees not otherwise directed be deposited in commissioner's assessment and examination fund; requiring commissioner by rule to establish minimum standards and practices for the officers and directors of each financial institution under the jurisdiction, supervision and control of the commissioner; requiring reports to commissioner; requiring submission of plan to meet the minimum standards and practices for approval to commissioner and the Board of Banking and Financial Institutions; fixing compensation of the officers and directors of the financial institution pending compliance; providing that commissioner as chairman of the Board of Banking and Financial Institutions to vote only in instances of tie; requiring the Board of Banking and Financial Institutions to meet bi-monthly; and removing requirement that reimbursement of Board of Banking and Financial Institutions member expenses be determined per policies of Travel Management Unit of Purchasing Division"; to the Committee on Finance.

Special Calendar

Third Reading

Com. Sub. for S. B. 456, Defining "men" and "women". The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 37**), and there were--yeas 87, nays 9, absent and not voting 4, with the yeas and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Fluharty, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Pushkin, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 456) passed.

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

S. B. 456 -- "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §5-32-1, §5-32-2, §5-32-3, §5-32-4, §5-32-5, §5-32-6, §5-32-7, §5-32-8, and §5-32-9, relating to sex definitions and single-sex spaces; providing purposes and general application; providing findings; creating definitions; establishing a standard of review; clarifying that the article does not authorize certain examinations of minor children; providing for certain standards applicable to domestic violence shelters, public schools, institutions of higher education, and correctional institutions; clarifying certain sex-based data collection; and providing for severability."

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

S. B. 490, Prohibiting ranked-choice voting in elections in West Virginia; 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 9, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Fluharty, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Pushkin, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (S. B. 490) passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House communicate to the Senate the action of the House of Delegates.

H. B. 2060, Creating tax exemption for agricultural cooperative associations

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

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

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2129, Creating the Parents Bill of Rights; 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. 39**), and there were--yeas 87, nays 9, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Fluharty, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Pushkin, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2129) passed.

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

H. B. 2129 – “A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §49-12-1, §49-12-2, §49-12-3, §49-12-4, and §49-12-5 all relating to the Parents' Bill of Rights; creating a short title; providing legislative findings; creating definitions; creating a standard of review; clarifying parental rights; creating a defense; providing for certain injunctive relief; providing applicability; and providing certain limitations.”

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. 2560, Creating Infrastructure Ready Jurisdictions; 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 90, nays 6, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Dean, Hamilton, Hansen, Kimble, Pushkin and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2560) passed.

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

H. B. 2678, Relating to school zones of public or private schools; 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. 41**), and there were--yeas 96, nays none, absent and not voting 4, with the absent and not voting being as follows:

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 2678) passed.

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

H. B. 2942, Administration of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Design-Build Pilot 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. 42**), and there were--yeas 95, nays 1, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Anders.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 2942) passed.

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

H. B. 2943, Administration of the West Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Act; 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. 43**), and there were--yeas 95, nays 1, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Anders.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 2943) passed.

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 S. B. 240, Updating crime of sexual extortion; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

On motion of Delegate Hornby, the amendment was adopted.

Delegate Hornby moved to amend the committee substitute on page 1, section 13, line 3, by striking "spouse or child" and inserting the following language in lieu thereof:

"spouse, child, or family or household member, as defined in §48-27-204 of this code, residing in the household at the time of the offense"

Delegate Hornby moved to amend the committee substitute on page 3, section 6, line 23, by inserting the following language after the word "victim,":

"any member of the victim's family or household, as defined in §48-27-204 of this code, residing in the household at the time of the offense,"

and

Delegate Hornby moved to amend the committee substitute on page 3, section 6, line 39, by inserting the following language after the word "victim,":

"any member of the victim's family or household, as defined in §48-27-204 of this code, residing in the household at the time of the offense,"

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2054, Relating to liability of vendors in private farmers markets;

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

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

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2267, Authorizing Department of Revenue to Promulgate Legislative Rules; 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. 2710, Truth in Giving ; 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. 2871, Relating to the crime of negligent homicide; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

First Reading

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

Com. Sub. for S. B. 138, Enhancing penalties for fleeing officer,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2190, Including Potomac State College in the definition of community and technical college education program for participation in the "Learn and Earn Program",

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2382, Camping ban on certain public property,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2411, To provide and change graduation requirements and change duties relating to academic content standards,

And,

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2634, To double the criminal penalty for anyone found guilty of sexual assault on a minor.

Leaves of Absence

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, leaves of absence for the day were granted Delegates Bridges, Chiarelli, Steele and Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker).

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. 2054: Delegate Masters;

H. B. 2062: Delegate Ridenour;

H. B. 2164: Delegates Funkhouser and Holstein;

H. B. 2171: Delegate Ridenour;

H. B. 2351: Delegate Heckert;

H. B. 2458: Delegate Ridenour;

H. B. 2702: Delegate Funkhouser;

H. B. 2711: Delegate Funkhouser;

H. B. 2761: Delegate Funkhouser;

H. B. 2780: Delegate Chiarelli;

H. B. 2797: Delegate Chiarelli;

H. B. 3108: Delegate Burkhammer;

H. B. 3154: Delegate Maynor;

H. B. 3155: Delegate Maynor;

H. B. 3176: Delegate Petitto;

H. B. 3177: Delegate Petitto;

H. B. 3178: Delegate Petitto;

H. B. 3192: Delegate Kump;

H. B. 3227: Delegate Pushkin;

And,

H. B. 3262: Delegate Kump.

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

H. B. 2577: Delegate Masters;

And,

H. B. 3261: Delegates Heckert, Kelly, and Miller.

At 12:12 p.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 10, 2025.

**HOUSE OF DELEGATES
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SPECIAL CALENDAR

Monday, March 10, 2025

27th Day

11:00 A.M.

THIRD READING

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| Com. Sub. for S. B. 240 - | Updating crime of sexual extortion |
| H. B. 2060 - | Creating tax exemption for agricultural cooperative associations |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2267 - | Authorizing Department of Revenue to Promulgate Legislative Rules |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2710 - | Truth in Giving |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2871 - | Relating to the crime of negligent homicide |

SECOND READING

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| Com. Sub. for S. B. 138 - | Enhancing penalties for fleeing officer |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2054 - | Relating to liability of vendors in private farmers markets |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2190 - | Including Potomac State College in the definition of community and technical college education program for participation in the "Learn and Earn Program" |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2382 - | Camping ban on certain public property. |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2411 - | To provide and change graduation requirements and change duties relating to academic content standards |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2634 - | To double the criminal penalty for anyone found guilty of sexual assault on a minor |

FIRST READING

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| Com. Sub. for S. B. 358 - | Authorizing Department of Transportation to promulgate legislative rules |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2233 - | Authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate legislative rules |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2347 - | Relating generally to the creation of mental hygiene regions by the Supreme Court of Appeals |

H. B. 2402 -	Relating to providing access to medical records; providing access to a minor's medical record
Com. Sub. for H. B. 2473 -	Increasing and maintaining the bracketed tax rates on the privilege of establishing or operating a health maintenance organization
Com. Sub. for H. B. 2501 -	Relating to exemptions of property in bankruptcy proceedings
Com. Sub. for H. B. 2711 -	Relating to the repeal of the common law rule against perpetuities by extending it to 1,000 years for all trusts
H. B. 2719 -	Campaign finance and reporting
Com. Sub. for H. B. 2761 -	Relating to generally to magistrate courts
H. B. 2774 -	Coach Protection Act
H. B. 2781 -	Relating to the meaning of residence for the Purpose of Bail
H. B. 2867 -	Relating to Small Estates
H. B. 3030 -	Administration of the West Virginia Water Pollution Control Act

HOUSE CALENDAR

Monday, March 10, 2025

27th Day

11:00 A.M.

SECOND READING

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| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2006 - | Defining Men and Women |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2008 - | Executive Branch Reorganization |
| H. B. 2009 - | Relating to the merging and reorganizing of the executive branch |
| Com. Sub. for H. B. 2400 - | Prohibiting the delivery of unsolicited absentee ballot applications to any person who has not specifically requested one from the county clerk |
| H. B. 2683 - | To prohibit rank choice voting |

WEST VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025

HOUSE CONVENES AT 11:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE ON RULES

10:45 A.M. – SPEAKERS CONFERENCE ROOM 218M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS

9:30 A.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, COMMERCE AND TOURISM

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

2:00 P.M. – GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE REGULATION

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH

3:30 P.M. – HEALTH COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

4:00 P.M. – HEALTH COMMITTEE ROOM 215E

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

1:00 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM 432M

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION

5:00 P.M. – EDUCATION COMMITTEE ROOM 432M

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
1:00 P.M. – FINANCE COMMITTEE ROOM 460M

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