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

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

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

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of Monday, March 10, 2025, being the first order of business, when the further reading thereof was dispensed with and the same approved.

**Committee Reports**

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

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

**H. B. 2742**, Relating to creating limited waiver from certificate of public convenience and necessity requirement for certain water or sewer services projects,

And reports the same back with the recommendation that it 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. 3017**, Compliance Audits of Tabulating Equipment,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 3017** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §3-4A-13a, relating to electronic voting systems; requiring county commission inspections and secretary of state audits of ballot tabulation equipment to ensure compliance with state law prohibition against any connectivity to the internet; requiring reports of the inspections and audits; and providing for monitoring of future threats,"

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

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

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration:

**H. B. 2143**, Require elementary school teachers to be certified in the science of reading,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2143** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18A-3-13, relating to requiring elementary school teachers to receive an endorsement in the science of reading,"

And,

**H. B. 2513**, Enhancing training requirements for county boards of education members,

And reports back a committee substitute therefor, as follows:

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2513** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5-1a and §18-5-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to adding to topics required to be covered by the county board of education member orientation; requiring that any county board of education member who is unable to attend the initial orientation training for good cause complete a make-up orientation training within 30 days of being sworn in; requiring any appointed member to attend and complete a make-up orientation training within 30 days of being sworn in; increasing annual hours of training required of county board of education members; modifying topics required to be covered by training; allowing the State Board of Education to require a county board of education member to attend additional training under certain conditions; creating an exception to the requirement that a county board of education member satisfy the annual training requirement before January 1; adding certain non-voting ex officio members to the County Board Member Training Standards Review Committee; requiring the State Superintendent of Schools to report to the Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability certain county board of education related information; and setting the county board of education member compensation rate at \$260 per meeting attended unless the board votes to approve a lower rate,"

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. 2516**, To repeal antiquated and inoperative portions of code,

And reports the same back with the recommendation that it 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. 2635**, To ensure that classroom sizes are equal without losing a teachers aide,

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

In the absence of objection, reference of the bill (H. B. 2635) to the Committee on Finance was abrogated.

### Messages from the Senate

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 121** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §15-12-2, §61-8-9, and §61-11-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, requiring registration as sex offender for those convicted of newly created felony offense of indecent exposure to certain minors; declaring that indecent exposure requires exposing one's nude penis, vagina, or anus; authorizing a person convicted of third offense indecent exposure for purposes of sexual gratification to be both fined and imprisoned; creating enhanced penalties for second and subsequent violations; creating the criminal offense of indecent exposure in front of minors; removing breast-feeding exemption as unnecessary due to definition clarification; defining terms; establishing criminal penalties for the new offense; and declaring that the felony offenses of indecent exposure are qualifying offenses for the purpose of recidivist sentencing enhancements"; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 155** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18-5D-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring every county public school system to conduct an annual countywide survey of public school students to determine their non-school eating patterns and the availability of nutritious food to them when schools are closed; requiring each county board to collect and compile information regarding availability of food resources in the county during non-school days and distribute this information to all students; requiring each county board to provide its survey, a summary of its activities, and any findings or recommendations the county school board has related thereto to the West Virginia Office of Child Nutrition; and removing authority for each public school to include in its crisis response plan an assessment and plan to feed students during noninstructional or nontraditional remote learning days and public virtual school students that includes emergency situations that may require innovative ways to deliver food to student homes"; which was referred to the Committee on Education then Finance.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 199** - " A BILL to amend and reenact §18A-5-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to addressing student behavior issues; modifying provisions pertaining to student disorderly conduct, interference with an orderly educational process, obstruction of the teaching or learning process of others, threat, abuse, intimidation, attempted intimidation, willful disobedience of a school employee, or abusive or profane language directed at a school employee; adding partnering with a licensed behavioral health agency as any option for county boards to use to correct student behaviors; requiring students in alternative learning centers, in alternative placements, or with a licensed behavioral health agency to meet regularly with a school social worker to address certain behavioral and mental health concerns and to assist in developing a transition plan back to the classroom and with that transition; clarifying that nothing herein may be construed to conflict with certain federal laws; requiring that county board discipline action policies provide that school social workers provide the training of school personnel in

alternatives to discipline practices; defining terms; specifying protocol for when a grade kindergarten through six teacher in an elementary setting determines that the behavior of the student is violent, threatening, or intimidating toward staff or peers, or creates an unsafe learning environment or impedes on the other students' ability to learn in a safe environment; specifying protocol for when a county board does not have access to a behavioral intervention program; requiring State Board of Education rule which adopts a statewide disciplinary policy; and allowing school counselors, school social workers, or school psychologists to provide behavioral support."; which was referred to the Committee on Education.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 325** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §64-5-1 *et seq.* and §64-5A-1 *et seq.* of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new article, designated §64-5B-1, relating to authorizing certain agencies of the Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and the Office of Inspector General to promulgate legislative rules; authorizing the rules as filed and as modified by the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee and as amended by the Legislature; directing certain agencies of the Department of Health to amend current legislative rules; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to public water systems; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to statewide trauma and emergency care system; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to fatality and mortality review team; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to vital statistics; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to emergency medical services; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the Primary Care Support Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the general provisions of the Medical Cannabis Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to growers and processors of the Medical Cannabis Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to laboratories of the Medical Cannabis Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to dispensaries of the Medical Cannabis Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the Safe Harbor Letter for the Medical Cannabis Program; authorizing the Department of Health to promulgate a legislative rule relating to critical access hospitals; directing the Department of Health to amend a legislative rule relating to sewage treatment and collection system design standards; authorizing the Department of Human Services to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the Recovery Residence Certification and Accreditation Program; authorizing the Department of Human Services to promulgate a legislative rule relating to the pilot program for drug screening of applicants for cash assistance; authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to hospital licensure; and authorizing the Office of Inspector General to promulgate a legislative rule relating to Behavioral Health Centers Licensure"; which was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

A message from the Senate, by

The Clerk of the Senate, announced concurrence in the amendment of the House of Delegates, with further amendment, and the passage, as amended, of

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 456**, Defining "men" and "women".

On motion of Delegate McGeehan, the House concurred in the following amendment of the bill by the Senate:

Senator Martin moved to amend the House amendment on page 4, section 4, line 5, after the word "article" by striking the remainder of the proviso and inserting in lieu thereof the words "shall be construed as authorizing an examination of a minor for purposes of determining the minor's biological sex. The biological sex of a minor is determined by reference to the minor's biological sex recorded at the minor's time of birth."

Senator Martin moved to amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting therefor a new title, to read as follows:

**Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 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 that determination of the biological sex of a minor is determined at the minor's time of birth; 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.

The bill, as amended by the House, and further amended by the Senate, was put upon its passage.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 49**), and there were--yeas 90, nays 8, absent and not voting 2, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

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

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

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

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

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 458** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §30-1-27, relating to the establishment of universal professional and occupational licensing, registration, and certification"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 485** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5A-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the Purchasing Division; and exempting the Secretary of State from the competitive bidding process for specific purchases of securing, facilitating, or supporting critical election infrastructure"; which was referred to the Committee on Government Organization.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**S. B. 492** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-8-4a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections; and removing outdated provisions governing political committees terminated within three years of the effective date of the amendments made to this section during the regular session of the Legislature, 2002"; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 565** - " A BILL to amend and reenact §30-8-3, §30-8-6, §30-8-9, §30-8-23, and §30-8A-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new article, designated §30-8B-1, §30-8B-2, §30-8B-3, §30-8B-4, §30-8B-5, §30-8B-6, §30-8B-7, and §30-8B-8, relating to the practice of optometry; defining terms; removing areas of the code; permitting a licensee to perform certain procedures when trained by an approved and accredited body; permitting board to add new ophthalmic laser provisions to approved list in specific circumstances; and providing for exemption from specified review requirements."; which was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**S. B. 612** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §24-1-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to rules; and making the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission subject to legislative rule-making review procedures"; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 627** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §20-1-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing the prohibition against leasing state-owned pore spaces underlying lands designated as state parks; and prohibiting any disturbance of the surface of state park property"; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

### **Resolutions Introduced**

Resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:



**By Delegates Dean, Steele, Maynor, Bridges, W. Clark, Hornby, Butler, Heckert, Vance, Eldridge and Worrell:**

**H. C. R. 85** --"Requesting the Division of Highways name bridge number: 30-010/01-000.02 () (30A050), (37.55534, -81.96599) locally known as Wharncliffe Box Beam, carrying CR 010/01 over Bens Creek in Mingo County, the "U. S. Army CPL Lavern 'Mousey' Testerman Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

**By Delegates Cooper, Canterbury and Campbell:**

**H. C. R. 86** --"Requesting the Division of Highways name Bridge Number: 32-122/00-008.20 () (32A055), (37.53944, -80.66056) locally known as INDIAN CREEK BRIDGE, carrying WV 122 over INDIAN CREEK in Monroe County, the "U. S. Army PFC Robert F. Mann Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

**By Delegates Barnhart, Hillenbrand, Anderson, Fehrenbacher, Mallow, Vance and Willis:**

**H. C. R. 87** --"Requesting the Division of Highways name a bridge bearing the Bridge Number: 43-021/00-000.06 () (43A071), (39.07742, -81.19013), locally known as DUTCHMAN BRIDGE (CSPG), carrying CR 021 over SOUTH FORK HUGHES RIVER in Ritchie County as the "Clark Brothers Memorial Bridge."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

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

**H. C. R. 88** --"Recognizing and honoring the First Responders Honor Board's nominees of the Medal of Valor."; to the Committee on Rules

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. C. R. 89** --"Requesting the Division of Highways name Bridge Numbers: 26-002/00-018.04 (NB & SB) (26A014, 26A013), (39.90549, -80.75723) locally known as Lindsey Bridge & Lindsey Bridge SB, carrying WV 002 over Big Grave Creek in Marshall County, the "U. S. Army SP4 Kermit Harold Yoho Memorial Bridge""; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

And,

**By Delegate Sheedy:**

**H. C. R. 90** --"Requesting the Division of Highways to name a portion of U. S. 250 in Marshall County, from the intersection of WV 891 to the Wetzel County line as the Dragon Highway, reflecting the Cameron High School Dragons, and that one sign is to be placed immediately South of the US 250 WV 891 intersection and the other at the Wetzel County line heading North towards Cameron."; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works then Rules

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

**By Delegates Kimble, Anders, White, Steele, T. Howell, Mazzocchi, Kump and Dillon:**

**H. J. R. 37** - " Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia section one, article VI thereof; amending section two, article XIV thereof; and amending said Constitution by adding a new article, designated article XV, amending section one, article VI thereof; amending section two, article XIV thereof; and amending said Constitution by adding a new article, designated article XV, all relating to the legislative powers held by the people of the state and the Legislature; the power of the registered voters and the power of the Legislature to propose amendments to this Constitution; and the reservation by and to the people and registered voters of this state the powers of initiative, referendum, and recall at all levels of government in this state; numbering and designating such proposed amendment; 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 Delegates Ridenour, Pritt, Ellington, White, Jennings, Hornby, Crouse, Barnhart, Willis, Hillenbrand and Mallow:**

**H. B. 3295** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend and reenact §18A-3-2a of said code; both relating to establishing the Troops-to-Teachers program"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegates Stephens, McGeehan, Kyle, Sheedy, Marple and Flanigan:**

**H. B. 3296** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §8-12-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to strengthening the power of municipalities to locate owners of dilapidated structures and abandoned property within this state; allowing for a credit reporting mechanism for municipalities against all companies or organizations who own dilapidated structures and abandoned properties; and allowing for municipalities to make these entities bear the costs associated with demolishing abandoned properties or dilapidated structures"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates McGeehan, Hanshaw (Mr. Speaker), Phillips, Ellington, Criss, Jeffries, Gearheart and Riley:**

**H. B. 3297** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §18B-11-8, relating to creating the Washington Center for Civics, Culture, and Statesmanship within West Virginia University; creating the center as an independent entity within West Virginia University; stating the center's purposes and goals; stating the center's policies; providing for the appointment of tenure-track faculty; authorizing the center to offer courses and to develop various degrees; providing for a director of the center; providing for the director's appointment and the filling of vacancies; providing for an academic council; enumerating areas over which the director has sole and exclusive authority; and providing for an annual report"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Kimble, Anders, White, Mazzocchi, T. Howell, D. Cannon, Phillips, Butler and Coop-Gonzalez:**

**H. B. 3298** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18B-14-12, relating to prohibiting colleges and universities in West Virginia from requiring the COVID-19 vaccine or booster shots associated with the COVID-19

vaccine as a prerequisite for enrolling or attending in-person classes"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then Education.

**By Delegates Kimble, Ridenour, McGeehan, Mazzocchi, Kump and Butler:**

**H. B. 3299** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §15-17-1, §15-17-2, §15-17-3, and §15-17-4, relating to the creation of The Act to Prohibit the Purchase of Small Unmanned Aircrafts Manufactured or Assembled by a Covered Foreign Entity; providing for definitions; prohibiting the purchase of small unmanned aircraft from covered foreign entities; and providing for the drone replacement grant program"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Kimble, T. Howell, Mazzocchi, Petitto, Kump and Butler:**

**H. B. 3300** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1 and §16-67-2, all relating to creating a patient's right to refuse medical treatment from a resident or student when a licensed physician is available and to require medical professionals to obtain consent for a resident to treat a patient in advance of the appointment or procedure"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Kimble, Anders, White, Steele, T. Howell, Mazzocchi, Worrell, Kump, Phillips, Butler and Coop-Gonzalez:**

**H. B. 3301** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-3-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to ensuring that no law may require a person to receive or use a medical product; and ensuring there will be no penalties imposed, nor benefit denied, due to refusing a medical product or refusing to disclose whether a medical product has been used or not"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates Roop, Cooper, Dean, Bridges, Pritt and Brooks:**

**H. B. 3302** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, by adding a new section, designated §9-5-34, relating to requirements for all entities that contract with the State of West Virginia to distribute funds for homeless shelters"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates McGeehan, Hornby, Worrell, Crouse, White, Horst, Pinson and Foggin:**

**H. B. 3303** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §51-10A-1, §51-10A-2, §51-10A-3, §51-10A-4, §51-10A-5, and §60A-7-706 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend said code by adding a new section designated §51-10A-1a, relating to expanding the authority of bail bond enforcers, bounty hunters, and private investigators; authorizing bail bond enforcers, bounty hunters, and private investigators to apprehend and arrest defendants on certain warrants; authorizing payment under the Civil Forfeiture Act for defendant apprehension; stating a registration preference for retired members of the United States Armed Forces; requiring the Secretary of State to publish a list of registered bail bond enforcers, bounty hunters, and private investigators; and clarifying prohibited conduct and unauthorized acts"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegates McGeehan, Horst, Pinson, Stephens and Foggin:**

**H. B. 3304** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §10-3-3, relating to the establishment of patriotic memorials to commemorate the Semiquincentennial Celebration of the United States; providing for a timeline of construction; and providing for the establishment of a commission"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Holstein and Chiarelli:**

**H. B. 3305** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §3-5-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections and certificate of announcements; and changing the time limit on switching parties before filing to run office prior to an election"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**By Delegate Browning:**

**H. B. 3306** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article designated §27-5A-1, relating to creating The Matthew Casey Wethington Act for Substance Abuse Intervention; stating legislative findings; setting forth a procedure for involuntary substance abuse intervention and treatment"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources then the Judiciary.

**By Delegates G. Howell, Masters, Stephens, Barnhart and Linville:**

**H. B. 3307** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, to add thereto a new section, designated §31E-1-153, relating to limitations on expenditures by non-governmental organizations or nonprofit corporations; requiring financial reporting; and authorizing an audit of non-governmental organizations and nonprofit corporations"; to the Committee on Government Organization.

**By Delegates Anders, Kump, Worrell, Horst, Foggin, Ward, White, Coop-Gonzalez, Kimble, Dillon and Ridenour:**

**H. B. 3308** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §9-5-19, §16-2D-1, §16-2D-2, §16-2D-4, §16-2D-5, §16-2D-16a, §16-29B-1, §16-29B-3, §16-29B-8, §16-29B-25, §16-29B-26, §16-29B-28, §33-15B-5, and §51-11-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to repeal §16-2D-3, §16-2D-6, §16-2D-7, §16-2D-8, §16-2D-9, §16-2D-10, §16-2D-11, §16-2D-12, §16-2D-13, §16-2D-14, §16-2D-15, §16-2D-16, §16-2D-17, §16-2D-18, §16-2D-19, §16-2D-20, §16-29A-20, §16-29B-2, §16-29B-5, §16-29B-5a, §16-29B-12, §16-29B-13, §16-29B-14, §16-29B-15, §16-29B-24, §16-29B-30, §16-29B-31, §16B-13-12, §16B-21-3, and §49-2-124, relating to the termination of the West Virginia Health Care Authority; providing the termination of the authority's certificate of need program; providing the termination of the authority's cooperative agreement review process; providing definitions; establishing when the secretary shall propose a repeal; clarifying the transfer of the authority's remaining powers, assets, records, and employees to the Secretary of the Department of Health; clarifying the money to be transferred to the general revenue fund; and establishing exemptions"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Bridges, Dean, Crouse, Ward, Lucas, Roop, T. Clark, Heckert, Marple, Stephens and Browning:**

**H. B. 3309** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §5-10-20 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, authorizing sheriffs who are members of the public retirement system to retire upon attaining the age of 62 with eight or more years of service"; to the Committee on Finance.

**By Delegates Bridges, Dean, Vance, Hornby, Foggin, Willis, Dillon, Roop, Hornbuckle, Young and Eldridge:**

**H. B. 3310** - "A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §24-3-3b, relating to requiring all utility companies to absorb the costs of maintenance, upgrades, and repairs for the infrastructure used in delivering services and prohibiting the cost of said maintenance and upgrades being passed on to the consumer"; to the Committee on Energy and Public Works.

**By Delegate W. Clark:**

**H. B. 3311** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §16-2D-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, amended, relating to certificate of need; providing legislative findings; creating exemptions; and directing the Health Care Authority publish an annual report"; to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

**By Delegates Pinson, Kelly and Kump:**

**H. B. 3312** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §7-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to compensation of elected officials; and increasing the salaries of Sheriffs 10% more than the salaries of the County Clerk and Circuit Clerk"; to the Committee on Government Organization then Finance.

**By Delegates Dittman, Eldridge, Horst, Ridenour, Campbell, Kyle, McCormick, Willis, Dean, Hott and Miller:**

**H. B. 3313** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18B-3C-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to dropping the barriers between high schools and community colleges to ensure career readiness upon graduation from high school; and adding Braxton County High School as an eligible institution in the program"; to the Committee on Education.

**By Delegates Stephens, Willis, Shamblin, T. Clark, Campbell, Pritt, Toney, Dittman, Flanigan, Ferrell and Marple:**

**H. B. 3314** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing a pay increase for teachers who have more than 30 students; and providing for an exception"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

**By Delegates Stephens, Willis, Shamblin, T. Clark, Campbell, Pritt, Toney, Dittman, Flanigan, Ferrell and Marple:**

**H. B. 3315** - "A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-4-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to adding to the teacher pay scale the increments of Bachelor's Plus 30 and Master's Plus 60"; to the Committee on Education then Finance.

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

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 138**, Enhancing penalties for fleeing officer; 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. 50**), and there were--yeas 97, nays none, absent and not voting 3, with the absent and not voting being as follows:

Absent and Not Voting: Dean, Fluharty and Pritt.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 138) passed.

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

**S. B. 138** -- "A Bill to amend and reenact §17C-5-2, §61-5-17, and §61-11-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating offenses for second, and third or subsequent

offenses of fleeing from an officer; establishing criminal penalties for the new offenses; extending the period for which prior convictions may be used; specifying that the new offenses are qualifying offenses for recidivist sentencing enhancement purposes; clarifying that a conviction for fleeing in a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, controlled substance, or drugs is treated as a driving under the influence offense for criminal enhancement purposes; clarifying that a conviction for fleeing in vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances, or drugs is treated as a driving under the influence for licensure purposes; and creating criminal penalties.”

*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. 2008**, Executive Branch Reorganization ; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

Delegates Foggin, Flanigan, Heckert, and T. Clark moved to amend Com. Sub. for H. B. 2008 on pages 3 and 4, section 2, beginning on page 3, line 31, following the words “of this code” by inserting a period and striking out the remainder of section 2 contained on lines 32 through 47;

And,

On pages 4 and 5, Section 1, beginning on line 14 of page 4, by striking out lines 14 through 26 in their entirety, and re-lettering subsection (e) accordingly.

On the adoption of the amendment, the yeas and nays were demanded, which demand was sustained.

The yeas and nays having been ordered, they were taken (**Roll No. 51**), and there were-- yeas 39, nays 59, absent and not voting 2, with the yeas and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Yeas: Adkins, Anderson, Bridges, Campbell, Canterbury, T. Clark, Cooper, Dittman, Eldridge, Fehrenbacher, Ferrell, Flanigan, Foggin, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Heckert, Hillenbrand, Hornbuckle, Kump, Kyle, Lewis, Marple, Moore, Parsons, Pritt, Pushkin, Rohrbach, Roop, Shamblin, Sheedy, B. Smith, Statler, Stephens, Toney, Vance, Williams, Worrell and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present not having voted in the affirmative, the amendment was rejected.

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

Delegate Kelly moved to amend the bill on page 31, section 1, line 161, by inserting the following after line 161:

**“CHAPTER 15A. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.**

**ARTICLE 14. NATURAL RESOURCES POLICE.**

**§15A-14-1. West Virginia Natural Resources Police transferred to Department of Homeland Security; West Virginia Natural Resources Police Retirement System transferred to the Department of Homeland Security; rules for grievance procedure.**

(a) The law enforcement section of the Division of Natural Resources, heretofore existing in this code, is hereby continued in all respects except that all powers and duties previously exercised by the Director of the Division of Natural Resources with respect to the Natural Resources Police are terminated and all such powers and duties are hereby transferred to and vested in the Department of Homeland Security.

(b) The duties of Division of Natural Resources related to the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System shall transfer to the Department of Homeland Security.

(c) The secretary shall have authority to propose legislative rules for promulgation in accordance with the provisions of §29A-3-1 et seq. of this code, relating to a grievance procedure for sworn members of the Natural Resources Police. At a minimum, the rule shall provide a process for filing and resolving grievances at the lowest possible level in a timely manner, providing for representation, taking evidence at each level, establishing a hearing procedure, providing for appellate review, allocating costs and authorizing attorney fees to a grievant who prevails on appeal.

(d) The provisions of this section will take effect July 1, 2026.

**CHAPTER 20. NATURAL RESOURCES. ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION.**

**§20-1-14. SECTIONS WITHIN DIVISION.**

(a) Sections of wildlife resources and of law enforcement are hereby continued within the Division of Natural Resources. Subject to provisions of law, the director of the Division of Natural Resources shall allocate the functions and services of the division to the sections, offices and activities thereof and may from time to time establish and abolish other sections, offices and activities within the division in order to carry out fully and in an orderly manner the powers, duties and responsibilities of the office as director. The director shall select and designate a competent and qualified person to be chief of each section. The chief is the principal administrative officer of that section and is accountable and responsible for the orderly and efficient performance of the duties, functions and services thereof.

(b) Effective July 1, 2026, the law enforcement section of the Division of Natural Resources, heretofore existing in this code, is hereby continued in all respects except that all powers and duties previously exercised by the Director of the Division of Natural Resources with respect to the Natural Resources Police are terminated and all such powers and duties are hereby transferred to and vested in the Department of Homeland Security."

Having been engrossed, the bill was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 52**), and there were--yeas 61, nays 37, absent and not voting 2, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Adkins, Bridges, Campbell, J. Cannon, Canterbury, T. Clark, Criss, Dittman, Eldridge, Fehrenbacher, Ferrell, Flanigan, Foggin, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Heckert, Hillenbrand, Hornbuckle, G. Howell, Kump, Lewis, Marple, Parsons, Pritt, Pushkin, Riley, Rohrbach, Shamblin, Sheedy, B. Smith, D. Smith, Stephens, Toney, Vance, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2008) passed.

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

**Comm. Sub. for H. B. 2008** – “A Bill to amend and reenact §5B-1-1, §5B-1-2, §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-2-16, §5B-2-17, §5B-2-18, §5B-2-19, §5B-2-20, §5F-1-2, §5F-2-1, §20-1-14, §29-1-8d, §31G-1A-1, §31G-1A-5, §31G-1A-6, and §31G-1A-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend the code by adding a new article, designated §15A-14-1; and to repeal §5F-1-3a and §5F-1-6, relating to the merging and reorganizing of the executive branch; reconstituting the Department of Economic Development as the Division of Economic Development and placing it within the Department of Commerce; specifying that starting on July 1, 2025, new hires and anyone who moves positions within the Department of Commerce shall be in the classified exempt service system and shall be exempt from the state grievance procedures; redesignating the Department of Economic Development as the Division of Economic Development under the Department of Commerce; correcting titles of the Division of Economic Development and Department of Commerce in several sections of code; specifying that starting on July 1, 2025, new hires and anyone who moves positions within the Division of Economic Development shall be in the classified exempt service system and shall be exempt from the state grievance procedures; correcting titles of affected departments, divisions, and positions based on the redesignations; transferring Division of Natural Resources law enforcement to the Department of Homeland Security; clarifying that duties related to the officers’ retirement system will transfer to the Department of Homeland Security; authorizing the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to promulgate rules; providing an effective date for the officers’ transfer and technical cleanup of amended and reenacted sections;”.

Delegate McGeehan moved that the bill take effect July 1, 2025.

On this question, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 55**), and there were--yeas 83, nays 13, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Heckert, Hornbuckle, Kump, Lewis, Pritt, Pushkin, Sheedy, Vance, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Dean, Fluharty and Roop.

So, two thirds of the members elected to the House of Delegates having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2008) takes effect July 1, 2025.

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



**H. B. 2009**, Relating to the merging and reorganizing of the executive branch; on third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time.

Delegate Foggin asked and obtained unanimous consent that a previously filed amendment be withdrawn.

Having been engrossed, the bill was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 53**), and there were--yeas 72, nays 25, absent and not voting 3, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Adkins, Campbell, Canterbury, T. Clark, Criss, Ferrell, Foggin, Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Heckert, Hillenbrand, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Marple, Parsons, Pritt, Pushkin, Sheedy, Stephens, Toney, Vance, Williams, Young and Zatezalo.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 2009) passed.

Delegate McGeehan moved that the bill take effect July 1, 2025.

On this question, the yeas and nays were taken (**Roll No. 54**), and there were--yeas 84, nays 12, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Garcia, Hamilton, Hansen, Heckert, Hornbuckle, Lewis, Pritt, Pushkin, Sheedy, Vance, Williams and Young.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Dean, Fluharty and Roop.

So, two thirds of the members elected to the House of Delegates having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (H. B. 2009) takes effect July 1, 2025.

*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. 2190**, Including Potomac State College in the definition of community and technical college education program for participation in the "Learn and Earn 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. 56**), and there were--yeas 93, nays 3, absent and not voting 4, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Anders, Coop-Gonzalez and White.

Absent and Not Voting: Bridges, Dean, Fluharty and Mallow.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2190) passed.

*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. 2382**, Camping ban on certain public property.; 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. 57**), and there were--yeas 89, nays 9, absent and not voting 2, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

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

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2382) passed.

*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. 2411**, To provide and change graduation requirements and change duties relating to academic content standards; 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. 58**), and there were--yeas 95, nays 3, absent and not voting 2, with the nays and the absent and not voting being as follows:

Nays: Dillon, Foggin and Kimble.

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2411) passed.

*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. 2634**, To double the criminal penalty for anyone found guilty of sexual assault on a minor; 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. 59**), and there were--yeas 98, nays none, absent and not voting 2, with the absent and not voting being as follows:

Absent and Not Voting: Dean and Fluharty.

So, a majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Speaker declared the bill (Com. Sub. for H. B. 2634) 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. 358**, Authorizing Department of Transportation to promulgate legislative rules; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to third reading,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2233**, Authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to promulgate legislative rules; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

**On motion of Delegate Hansen, the amendment was rejected.**

Delegate Hansen moves to amend Com Sub for HB2233 on page 3, Section 1, by striking out lines 27 through 50 in their entirety.

The bill was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2347**, Relating generally to the creation of mental hygiene regions by the Supreme Court of Appeals; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**H. B. 2402**, Relating to providing access to medical records; providing access to a minor's medical record; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

**On motion of Delegate Pushkin, the amendment was rejected.**

Delegate Pushkin moves to amend HB2402 on page 2, Section 3, line 3 following the word "section" by striking out the period, inserting a colon and the following proviso:

*"Provided, That if the parent is a noncustodial parent, he or she must be current on his or her child support payments."*

**On motion of Delegate Lewis, the amendment was rejected.**

Delegate Lewis moves to amend HB2402 on page 2, Section 3, line 6 by striking out the word "or";

And,

On page 2, Section 3, line 7 following the word "married" by striking out the period inserting a semi colon and the following:

"or

(4) Unless the parent, guardian, foster parent or kinship placement is subject to an allegation of abuse or neglect by the child, or subject to an open case of child abuse or neglect pursuant to §49-1-201*et seq.* of the code."

The bill was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2473**, Increasing and maintaining the bracketed tax rates on the privilege of establishing or operating a health maintenance organization; 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. 2501**, Relating to exemptions of property in bankruptcy proceedings ; 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. 2711**, Relating to the repeal of the common law rule against perpetuities by extending it to 1,000 years for all trusts; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**H. B. 2719**, Campaign finance and reporting; 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. 2761**, Relating generally to magistrate courts; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

**On motion of Delegate Lewis, the amendment was rejected.**

Delegate Lewis moves to amend Com Sub for HB2761 on page 1, section 1, line 12, following the period, by inserting a new paragraph to read as follows:

“In civil matters where the magistrate determines that the factual issues or legal arguments are complex or involve highly technical commercial issues, and the fair administration of justice requires a more formal circuit court proceeding, the magistrate may upon his or her own motion enter an order to transfer the case to the circuit court of that county for further disposition.”

The bill was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

**H. B. 2774**, Coach Protection Act; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time,

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

Delegate Linville moved to amend the bill on page 1, section 15a, line 4, immediately following the first occurrence of the word “not” by inserting the following:

“less than \$250, nor”

AND

on page 1, section 15a, line 9, immediately following the first occurrence of the word “not” by inserting the following:

“less than \$500, nor”

The bill was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

**H. B. 2781**, Relating to the meaning of residence for the Purpose of Bail; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

**H. B. 2867**, Relating to Small Estates; on second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading,

And,

**H. B. 3030**, Administration of the West Virginia Water Pollution Control Act; 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:

**S. B. 291**, Extending time frame for pharmacies to register from annually to biennially,

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 443**, Authorizing Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board of Examiners to conduct criminal background checks for licensing,

**Com. Sub. for S. B. 462**, Permitting Board of Occupational Therapy to require criminal history record checks,

**H. B. 2043**, Relating to use of dog and/or drones for tracking or locating mortally wounded deer, elk, turkey, wild boar or bear,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2131**, Relating to changing the process of election litigation,

**Com. Sub. for H. B. 2164**, To allow for public and private schools in West Virginia to employ security personnel,

**H. B. 2165**, Allowing disabled purple heart recipients park free at municipal metered parking spaces,

**H. B. 2351**, Relating to compensation for panel attorneys;

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, the bill was committed to the Standing Committee on Finance.

**H. B. 2387**, To repeal the class A1 Pistol stamp for hunting,

And,

**H. B. 2659**, Adding a special permit for a non-profit entity to be a qualified permit holder in a private outdoor designated area.

### **Leaves of Absence**

At the request of Delegate McGeehan, and by unanimous consent, leaves of absence for the day were granted Delegates Dean and Fluharty.

**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. 2422:** Delegate Ridenour;

**H. B. 2664:** Delegate Maynor;

**H. B. 2718:** Delegate Leavitt;

**H. B. 2752:** Delegate Hott;

**H. B. 2906:** Delegate Young;

**H. B. 3101:** Delegate Crouse;

**H. B. 3211:** Delegate Crouse;

And,

**H. C. R. 78:** Delegate McGeehan.

At 1:26 p.m., the House of Delegates adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 12, 2025.

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## **SPECIAL CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, March 12, 2025**

**29th Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

### **THIRD 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 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  |

### **SECOND READING**

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| S. B. 291 -               | Extending time frame for pharmacies to register from annually to biennially  |
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#### **FIRST READING**

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2143 -	Require elementary school teachers to be certified in the science of reading
Com. Sub. for H. B. 2513 -	Enhancing training requirements for county boards of education members
H. B. 2516 -	To repeal antiquated and inoperative portions of code.
H. B. 2635 -	To ensure that classroom sizes are equal without losing a teachers aide
H. B. 2742 -	Relating to creating limited waiver from certificate of public convenience and necessity requirement for certain water or sewer services projects.
Com. Sub. for H. B. 3017 -	Compliance Audits of Tabulating Equipment



## **HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, March 12, 2025**

**29th Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

### **THIRD READING**

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

### **SECOND READING**

Com. Sub. for H. B. 2006 - Defining Men and Women

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

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**

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025**

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

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON REVENUE  
1:00 P.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**

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY  
3:00 P.M. – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM 410M**

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