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The Senate met at 11:16 a.m.

(Senator Smith, Mr. President, in the Chair.)

Prayer was offered by Dr. D. W. Cummings, Bethlehem Apostolic Temple, Wheeling, West Virginia.

The Senate was then led in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by the Honorable Mark R. Maynard, a senator from the sixth district.

Pending the reading of the Journal of Wednesday, March 26, 2025,

At the request of Senator Grady, unanimous consent being granted, the Journal was approved and the further reading thereof dispensed with.

The Senate proceeded to the second order of business and the introduction of guests.

The Senate then proceeded to the fourth order of business.

Senator Stuart, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 663 (originating in the Committee on Banking and Insurance), Creating Fair Access to Financial Services Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 663 (originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §46A-6O-1, §46A-6O-2, §46A-6O-3, §46A-6O-4, and §46A-6O-5, relating to creating the Fair Access to Financial Services Act; providing a short title; providing definitions; prohibiting discrimination by financial institutions; requiring transparency upon request; authorizing

enforcement by certain persons and Attorney General; specifying penalties for violations and for recovery of attorney fees and litigation costs; and establishing statute of limitations.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stuart,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 663) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on the Judiciary was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Stuart, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration

Senate Bill 728, Relating generally to transfer on death deed.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stuart,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (S. B. 728) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on the Judiciary was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Stuart, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 761 (originating in the Select Committee on Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health), Creating Joel Archer Substance Abuse Intervention Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 761 (originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)—A Bill to amend and reenact §27-5-2 and §27-5-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to involuntary custody and involuntary hospitalization; providing additional grounds for application for involuntary hospitalization; modifying evidentiary standards for imposing civil liability on mental health professionals rendering services in mental hygiene cases; requiring individual to agree to voluntary treatment before being removed from involuntary hospitalization prior to probable cause hearing; providing additional grounds for satisfaction of probable cause and involuntary hospitalization standards in mental hygiene proceedings; providing name of amendments; permitting hospitalization of individuals with substance use disorder under certain circumstances; providing prohibition on consideration of refusal of

substance abuse services when considering individual's judgment; providing for dismissal of involuntary hospitalization proceedings under certain circumstances; setting forth additional required findings by the chief medical officer; providing for restoration of firearm possession rights under certain circumstances; and providing for removal of individual from mental health registry under certain circumstances.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stuart,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 761) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on the Judiciary was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the sixth order of business.

On motions for leave, severally made, the following bill was introduced, read by its title, and referred to the appropriate committee:

By Senators Smith (Mr. President) and Woelfel [By Request of the Executive]:

Senate Bill 938—A Bill expiring funds to the unappropriated surplus balance in the State Fund, General Revenue, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$4,516,702 from the Department of Administration, Division of General Services, fund 0230, fiscal year 2024, organization 0211, appropriation 67700.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

At the request of Senator Martin, and by unanimous consent, the Senate returned to the fifth order of business.

Senator Helton, from the Select Committee on Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Select Committee on Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health has had under consideration

Senate Bill 939 (originating in the Select Committee on Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §16B-13-4a, relating to testing for substance use disorder; and setting forth testing guidelines for office-based medication-assisted treatment facilities.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Helton,
Chair.

The Senate proceeded to the seventh order of business.

Senate Resolution 41, Designating March 27, 2025, as Local Food and Farm Day.

On unfinished business, coming up in regular order, was reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Senator Hamilton, unanimous consent being granted, reference of the resolution to a committee was dispensed with, and it was taken up for immediate consideration and adopted.

The Senate proceeded to the eighth order of business.

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 505, Ensuring Reliable and Affordable Electricity Act.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

Pending discussion,

The question being "Shall Engrossed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 505 pass?"

Senator Rose requested a ruling from the Chair as to whether he should be excused from voting under Rule 43 of the Rules of the Senate as he is an employee of an electric utility company.

The Chair replied that any impact on Senator Rose would be as a member of a class of persons and that he would be required to vote.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Fuller, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Martin, Maynard, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Taylor, Thorne, Willis, and Smith (Mr. President)—22.

The nays were: Deeds, Garcia, Grady, Jeffries, Morris, Oliverio, Takubo, Tarr, Weld, Woelfel, and Woodrum—11.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 505) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 529, Relating generally to liability insurance coverage for Board of Education.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 529) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 570, Requiring economic impact statements for certain legislative rules.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 570) passed with its title.

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

At the request of Senator Woelfel, and by unanimous consent, the Senate returned to the second order of business and the introduction of guests.

The Senate again proceeded to the eighth order of business, the next bill coming up in numerical sequence being

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 820, Whistleblower Protection Fund Act.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 820) passed with its title.

Senator Martin moved that the bill take effect from passage.

On this question, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris,

Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, two thirds of all the members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 820) takes effect from passage.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 823, Clarifying and separating duties between Division of Emergency Management and DEP.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 823) passed.

On motion of Senator Rucker, the following amendment to the title of the bill was reported by the Clerk and adopted:

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 823—A Bill to amend and reenact §15-5B-3a and §15-5C-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to revising the statutes to clarify and separate duties identified in the code between the Division of Emergency Management and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection according to what each agency has the resources and expertise to fulfill; delegating the duties of investigation of industrial facility emergency events and emergency incidents by well and pipeline operators that are reported to the Division of Emergency Management; implementing fines and penalties imposed upon industrial facilities and well and pipeline operators to the Department of Environmental Protection; and establishing fund into which civil penalties are to be deposited.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 825, Permitting higher education institutions enter agreements with non-profit organizations for economic development and job creation.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—31.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Hart, Stuart, and Takubo—3.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 825) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 829, Modifying classes of state of preparedness declared by Governor or Legislature.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—31.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Hart, Stuart, and Takubo—3.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 829) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Senate Bill 839, Requiring Division of Labor establish separate rules for residential or commercial plumbing.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—31.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Hart, Stuart, and Takubo—3.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 839) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Senate Bill 856, Removing certain reporting requirements to Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—32.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart and Takubo—2.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 856) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 861, Updating references to reflect consolidation of Information Services and Communications Division into Office of Technology.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 861) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Senate Bill 862, Repealing antiquated language related to Voluntary Gilding Dome Check-Off Program.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 862) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Senate Bill 863, Removing reference to Information Services and Communications Division.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 863) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 864, Clarifying inference of criminal intent in burglary prosecution.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 864) passed.

On motion of Senator Weld, the following amendment to the title of the bill was reported by the Clerk and adopted:

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 864—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-3-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to crimes against property; clarifying the inference of criminal intent in a burglary prosecution.

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

Eng. Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 871, Removing persons who perform drywall services from definition of "contractor" in Contractor Licensing Act.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Grady, Hart, Helton, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Phillips, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Willis, and Smith (Mr. President)—24.

The nays were: Garcia, Hamilton, Jeffries, Oliverio, Queen, Takubo, Weld, Woelfel, and Woodrum—9.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 871) passed with its title.

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

Eng. Senate Bill 876, Terminating certain requirements for Tax Commissioner to submit reports, publish information, and provide notice.

On third reading, coming up in regular order, was read a third time and put upon its passage.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were: Azinger, Barrett, Bartlett, Boley, Chapman, Charnock, Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Garcia, Grady, Hamilton, Hart, Helton, Jeffries, Martin, Maynard, Morris, Oliverio, Phillips, Queen, Roberts, Rose, Rucker, Takubo, Tarr, Taylor, Thorne, Weld, Willis, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Smith (Mr. President)—33.

The nays were: None.

Absent: Stuart—1.

So, a majority of all the members present and voting having voted in the affirmative, the President declared the bill (Eng. S. B. 876) passed with its title.

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

The Senate proceeded to the ninth order of business.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 225, Expanding powers of National Park Service law-enforcement officers.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 506, Relating to enhanced pay for certain teachers.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 576, Authorizing fixed odds racing in horse and dog racing.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the following amendment to the bill was reported by the Clerk and adopted:

On page 12, section 17c, lines 1 through 4 by striking out all of section 17c and inserting a new section 17c to read as follows:

Any funds distributed to licensed racetracks under 29-22d-17a and §29-22d-17b of this code may be expended by such licensed racetracks to support operations in this state authorized under 19-23-1, 29-22a-1, 29-22c-1, 29-22d-1, or 29-22e-1 of this code, or for capital improvements at facilities located in this state that are on or contiguous to the premises of the licensed racetrack.

The bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 576), as amended, was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 690, Authorizing county commissions to increase compensation of elected county officials.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time.

On motion of Senator Tarr, the following amendment to the bill was reported by the Clerk and adopted:

On page 8, section 4, line 150, by changing the period to a colon and inserting the following proviso: Provided, however, That no increases in compensation pursuant to this section may be made by the county commission of any county that is more than 90 days delinquent in payment of the annual regional jail per diem costs for which it is responsible pursuant to §15A-3-16 of this code.

The bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 690), as amended, was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 707, Providing increase in salary to WV Birth-to-Three contracted therapists and employees.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 708, Providing state mine inspectors with raise.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 763, Creating Public Electrical Savings Act.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time.

On motion of Senator Jeffries, the following amendments to the bill were reported by the Clerk and considered simultaneously:

On page 2, section 1, line 40, by striking out the words "public entity" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, elementary, secondary, or postsecondary school or institution receiving state taxpayer funds, including but not limited to, the Hope Scholarship";

On page 2, section 1, line 44, by striking out the words "public entity" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, elementary, secondary, or postsecondary school or institution receiving state taxpayer funds, including but not limited to, the Hope Scholarship";

And

On page 2, section 1, line 46, by striking out the words "public entity" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, elementary, secondary, or postsecondary school or institution receiving state taxpayer funds, including but not limited to, the Hope Scholarship".

At the request of Senator Jeffries, unanimous consent being granted, the amendments offered by Senator Jeffries to the bill were withdrawn.

The bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 763), was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 833, Excluding pharmaceutical medication from prior authorization gold card process.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 844, Exempting non-native quail and partridge from game farm requirement if owned for agricultural purposes.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 850, Creating Protecting Shareholders Act.

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

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was laid over one day, retaining its place on the calendar.

Senate Bill 866, Requiring WV Board of Education to promulgate legislative rule in consultation with WV Board of Physical Therapy.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 874, Permitting current home confinement officers to participate in Emergency Medical Services Retirement System.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time and ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 934, Relating to low-proof spirit alcohol products.

On second reading, coming up in regular order, was read a second time.

On motion of Senator Queen, the following amendment to the bill was reported by the Clerk and adopted:

By striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§60-1-5. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Alcohol" means ethyl alcohol whatever its origin and shall include synthetic ethyl alcohol but not denatured alcohol.

(2) "Alcoholic liquor" includes alcohol, beer, wine, low-proof spirit alcohol products, and spirits, and any liquid or solid capable of being used as a beverage, but shall not include nonintoxicating beer.

(3) "An agency" means a drugstore, grocery store, or general store designated by the commission as a retail distributor of alcoholic liquor for the West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Commission.

(4) "Beer" means any beverage obtained by the fermentation of barley, malt, hops, or any other similar product or substitute, and containing more alcohol than that of nonintoxicating beer.

(5) "Brewery" means an establishment where beer is manufactured or in any way prepared.

(6) "Commissioner" or "commission" means the West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Commissioner.

(7) "Department" means the organization through which the commission exercises powers imposed upon it by this chapter.

(8) "Distillery" means an establishment where alcoholic liquor other than wine or beer is manufactured or in any way prepared.

(9) "Intoxicated" means a person's faculties are impaired by alcohol or other substance to the point where physical or mental control or both are markedly diminished.

(10) "Low-proof spirit alcohol product" means any alcoholic liquor beverage drink, other than wine or beer containing one half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, but not more than 15.5 percent alcohol by volume (31 proof) obtained by distillation, mixed with drinkable seltzer water, fruit juices, flavoring or coloring materials, other alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages or other ingredients to create a beverage that is packaged in an aluminum or other metal can only.

~~(10)~~(11) "Manager" means an individual who is the applicant's or licensee's on-premises employee, member, partner, shareholder, director, or officer who meets the licensure requirements of §11-16-1 *et seq.* of this code and rules promulgated thereunder who actively manages, conducts, and carries on the day-to-day operations of the applicant or licensee with full and apparent authority or actual authority to act on behalf of the applicant or licensee. Such duties include, but are not limited to: coordinating staffing; reviewing and approving payroll; ordering and paying for inventory, such as nonintoxicating beer, wine, and liquor, as applicable; and managing security staff, security systems, video and other security equipment; and any further acts or actions involved in managing the affairs of the business, on behalf of owners, partners, members, shareholders, officers, or directors.

~~(11)~~(12) "Manufacture" means to distill, rectify, ferment, brew, make, mix, concoct, process, blend, bottle, or fill an original package with any alcoholic liquor.

~~(12)~~(13) "Manufacturer" means any person engaged in the manufacture of any alcoholic liquor, and among others includes a distiller, a rectifier, a wine maker, and a brewer.

~~(13)~~(14) "Nonintoxicating beer" means any beverage obtained by the fermentation of barley, malt, hops, or similar products or substitute, and containing not more alcohol than that specified by § 11-16-2 of this code.

~~(14)~~(15) "Original package" means any closed or sealed container or receptacle used for holding alcoholic liquor.

~~(15)~~(16) "Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, limited partnership, corporation, or voluntary association.

~~(16)~~(17) "Powdered alcohol" means an alcohol manufactured in a powder or crystalline form for either direct use or reconstitution as an alcoholic liquor or food. For purposes of this chapter, powdered alcohol excludes any material intended for industrial purposes.

~~(17)~~(18) "Public place" means any place, building, or conveyance to which the public has, or is permitted to have access, including restaurants, soda fountains, hotel dining rooms, lobbies, and corridors of hotels and any highway, street, lane, park, or place of public resort or amusement: *Provided*, That the term "public place" shall not mean or include any of the above-named places or any portion or portions thereof which qualify and are licensed under the provisions of this chapter to sell alcoholic liquors for consumption on the premises: *Provided, however*, That the term "public place" shall not mean or include any legally demarcated area designated solely for the consumption of beverages and freshly prepared food that directly connects and adjoins any portion or portions of a premise that qualifies and is licensed under the provisions of this chapter to sell alcoholic liquors for consumption thereupon: *Provided further*, That the term "public place" shall not include a facility constructed primarily for the use of

a Division I, II, or III college or university that is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, or its successor, and used as a football, basketball, baseball, soccer, or other Division I, II, or III sports stadium which holds a special license to sell wine pursuant to the provisions of §60-8-3 of this code, in the designated areas of sale and consumption of wine and other restrictions established by that section and the terms of the special license issued thereunder.

~~(18)~~(19) "Sale" means any transfer, exchange, or barter in any manner or by any means, for a consideration, and shall include all sales made by a principal, proprietor, agent, or employee.

~~(19)~~(20) "Selling" includes solicitation or receipt of orders; possession for sale; and possession with intent to sell.

~~(20)~~(21) "Spirits" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by distillation and mixed with potable water and other substances in solution and includes brandy, rum, whiskey, cordials, and gin.

~~(21)~~(22) "State liquor store" means a store established and operated by the commission under this chapter for the sale of alcoholic liquor in the original package for consumption off the premises.

~~(22)~~(23) "Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural content of fruits, or other agricultural products, containing sugar.

~~(23)~~(24) "Winery" means an establishment where wine is manufactured or in any way prepared.

§60-8B-1. Declaration of legislative findings, policy, and intent; construction.

It is hereby found by the Legislature and declared to be the policy of this state that it is in the public interest to regulate and control the manufacture, sale, distribution, transportation, storage, and consumption of the beverages regulated by this article within this state and that, therefore, the provisions of this article are a necessary, proper, and valid exercise of the police powers of this state and are intended for the protection of the public safety, welfare, health, peace, and morals and are further intended to eliminate, or to minimize to the extent practicable, the evils attendant to the unregulated, unlicensed, and unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, transportation, storage, and consumption of such beverages and are further intended to promote temperance in the use and consumption thereof. The Legislature further finds and declares that advertising is essential to the growth of business and job promotion within the state. In order to further these ends, the provisions of this article and of the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, shall be construed so that the accomplishment of these stated purposes may be effectuated.

§60-8B-2. Definition of low-proof spirit alcohol products.

"Low-proof spirit alcohol product" means any alcoholic liquor beverage drink, other than wine or beer, containing one half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, but not more than 15.5 percent alcohol by volume (31 proof) obtained by distillation, mixed with drinkable seltzer water, fruit juices, flavoring or coloring materials, other alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages or other ingredients to create a beverage that is packaged in an aluminum or other metal can only.

§60-8B-3. Applicability of other laws; license to manufacture, sell, and distribute low-proof spirits products.

(a) *Manufacture of Low-Proof Spirit Alcohol Products.* — Beginning July 1, 2030, except as stated in this article, all distillery licenses and other requirements for the manufacture of alcoholic liquors set forth in §60-4-2 and §60-4-3a of this code, and any rules promulgated by the Commissioner thereunder, shall apply to the manufacture of low-proof spirit alcohol products. All procedures for obtaining and maintaining a license for the manufacture of low-proof alcohol spirit products shall comply with the requirements of §60-4-1 *et seq.* of this code, and any rules promulgated by the commissioner thereunder. No additional alcoholic liquor license fees shall be charged for the privilege of manufacturing low-proof spirit alcohol products.

(b) *Sales of low-proof spirit product.* — Beginning July 1, 2030, any person or licensee legally authorized to manufacture, distribute, or sell low-proof spirit products may sell low-proof spirit products in the same manner and to the same persons, and subject to the same limitations and conditions, as such license or legal right authorizes him or her to manufacture, distribute, or sell nonintoxicating beer as set forth in §11-16-1 *et seq.* of this code: *Provided*, That no person or licensee shall be permitted to sell low-proof spirit alcohol products in growlers as defined in §11-16-1 *et seq.* of this code, and any rules promulgated by the commissioner thereunder. The provisions of §60-4-3 of this code, which require that sales by a manufacturer of alcoholic liquors may only be sold to the West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Commissioner and to wholesalers and retailers licensed as provided in chapter 60 of this code, are inapplicable to sales of low-proof spirit alcohol products. No additional license fees shall be charged for the privilege of selling low-proof spirit alcohol products.

(c) *Distribution of low-proof spirit alcohol products.* — Beginning July 1, 2030, except as stated in this article, the distribution of low-proof spirit alcohol products shall be administered and carried out in the same manner as prescribed for nonintoxicating beer distribution as set forth in §11-16-1 *et seq.* of this code and any rules promulgated by the commissioner thereunder. Any person or licensee legally authorized to distribute low-proof spirit alcohol products must distribute low-proof spirit alcohol products in the same manner and to the same persons, and subject to the same limitations and conditions, as a license or legal right would authorize him or her to distribute nonintoxicating beer. No manufacturer or distillery may self-distribute low-proof spirit alcohol products. No additional license fees shall be charged for the privilege of distributing low-proof spirit alcohol products.

§60-8B-4. Taxation; reporting; penalties for failure to file returns; application of state tax law; rule-making authority.

(a) Beginning July 1, 2030, there is hereby levied and imposed on all low-proof spirit alcohol products sold on and after the effective date, by every distillery, or supplier to distributors, a tax of \$1.25 per gallon, in like ratio for any partial gallon or other unit of measure.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2030, on the 15th day of each month thereafter, every distillery and distributor shall make a written report under oath to the Tax Commissioner and the commissioner showing the identity of the purchasing person, the quantity, label, and alcoholic content of low-proof spirit alcohol products sold by the distillery to West Virginia distributors or to persons 21 years of age or older who reside in West Virginia during the preceding month and at the same time shall pay the tax imposed by this article on the low-proof spirit alcohol products sold to the distributor or to persons 21 years of age or older who reside in West Virginia during the preceding month to the Tax Commissioner. The reports shall contain other information and be in the form required by the Tax Commissioner. For purposes of this article, the reports required by this section shall be considered tax returns covered by the provisions of §11-10-1 *et seq.* of this code. Failure

to timely file the tax returns within five calendar days of the 15th day of each month subjects a distillery and distributor to penalties under §11-16-23 of this code.

(c) *Administrative procedures.* — Each and every provision of the West Virginia Tax Procedure and Administration Act set forth in §11-10-1 *et seq.* of this code applies to the taxes imposed pursuant to this section, except as otherwise expressly provided in this article, with like effect as if that act were applicable only to the taxes imposed by this section and were set forth in extenso in this article.

(d) *Criminal penalties.* — Each and every provision of the West Virginia Tax Crimes and Penalties Act set forth in §11-9-1 *et seq.* of this code applies to the taxes imposed pursuant to this section with like effect as if that act were applicable only to the taxes imposed pursuant to this article and were set forth in extenso in this article.

(e) The Tax Commissioner may propose legislative rules for legislative approval, pursuant to §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code to implement this section.

§60-8B-5. Rule-making authorization; effective date.

(a) The West Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner may propose legislative rules for legislative approval, pursuant to §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code, to implement this article.

(b) The provisions of this article shall take effect on July 1, 2030.

The bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 934), as amended, was then ordered to engrossment and third reading.

Eng. House Bill 2387, To repeal the class A1 Pistol stamp for hunting.

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

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was laid over one day, retaining its place on the calendar.

Eng. House Bill 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 reported by the Clerk.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was laid over one day, retaining its place on the calendar.

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 2411, To provide and change graduation requirements and change duties relating to academic content standards.

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

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill was laid over one day, retaining its place on the calendar.

The Senate proceeded to the tenth order of business.

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 739, Relating to recovery residences.

On first reading, coming up in regular order, was read a first time and ordered to second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the twelfth order of business.

Remarks were made by Senator Maynard.

Pending announcement of meetings of standing committees of the Senate,

On motion of Senator Martin, at 12:05 p.m., the Senate recessed until 4:30 p.m. today.

The Senate reconvened at 5:05 p.m. and, at the request of Senator Martin, and by unanimous consent, returned to the third order of business.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 2880—A Bill to amend and reenact §49-1-201 and §49-4-405 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating parent resource navigators; defining terms; including parent resource navigators within multidisciplinary teams.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body, to take effect July 1, 2026, and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 2987—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §31A-8H-1, §31A-8H-2, §31A-8H-3, §31A-8H-4, and §31A-8H-5; and to amend said code by adding 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, §46A-6O-10, and §46A-6O-11, relating to the Safe Harbor for Cybersecurity Programs and the Consumer Data Protection Act; providing for an affirmative legal defense to certain types of businesses against demands for an award of exemplary or punitive damages in lawsuits claiming that the business failed to implement reasonable cybersecurity protections and that as a result, a data breach of personal information or restricted information occurred if the business creates, maintains, and complies with a written cybersecurity program that contains administrative, technical, operational, and physical safeguards for the protection of personal information as set forth in this act; defining terms; describing the requirements of the cybersecurity program; construction of article; clarifying no private cause of action provided by article; and providing immunity in certain circumstances to certain institutions of higher education in this state that offer a cybersecurity assessment program as part of an undergraduate or graduate program relating to cybersecurity to any business in the state; establishing a framework for controlling and processing personal data of consumers in this state; creating definitions; limiting application to all persons that conduct business in this state and either control or process personal data of at least 100,000 consumers or derive over 50% of gross revenue from the sale of personal data and control or process personal data of at least 25,000 consumers; providing exemptions; delineating responsibilities and privacy protection standards for data controllers and processors; clarifying standards do not apply to state or local governmental entities; providing exceptions for certain types of data and information governed by federal law; providing that consumers have rights to

access, correct, delete, obtain a copy of personal data, and to opt out of the processing of personal data for the purposes of targeted advertising; providing standards for data protection assessments; delineating processing of de-identified data; specifying limitations upon scope of the article; providing for civil penalty for violations of provisions of the article; clarifying that the Attorney General has exclusive authority to enforce violations of the law; providing for assistance of the Attorney General in obtaining relief; and providing for construction and an effective date.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and then to the Committee on Finance.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 3289—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-11-26a of the code of West Virginia 1931, as amended, relating to expungement of certain criminal convictions with certain programs; clarifying the criteria for expungements with substance use treatment; authorizing petition for expungement of certain criminal convictions upon compliance with and approved substance abuse treatment or recovery and counseling program for 90 days, graduation from approved job readiness adult training course, successful completion of drug court program, or any combination thereof; clarifying that graduation from drug court may be grounds for expungement under the section; and clarifying that the section does not supersede §61-11-26b.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 3343—A Bill to amend and reenact §60A-2-204 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to schedule I drugs; and adding a provision relating to the scheduling of an organic psilocybin substance or crystalline polymorph psilocybin approved by the Food and Drug Administration and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. House Bill 3344—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1, §16-67-2, §16-67-3, §16-67-4, §16-67-5, §16-67-6, and §16-67-7, relating to the establishment of a grant program to fund the United States Food and Drug Administration's drug development trials with ibogaine; the preparation and notice of funding opportunity; application requirements; the creation of a selection committee; the submission of an investigational new drug application with the United States Food and Drug Administration; requesting a breakthrough therapy designation for ibogaine from the United States Food and Drug Administration; the establishment of drug development trial sites; conducting drug development trials; the selection of an institutional review board; and funding.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on Finance.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 3433—A Bill to amend and reenact §15-11-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to modifying the language in the statute to make it consistent with W.Va. Code §5H-1-2(b) for survivor's benefit payment for first responders for purposes of payment for funeral expenses of law enforcement, safety, and emergency workers; amending the internal effective date; and making technical corrections to the section.

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.

A message from the Clerk of the House of Delegates announced the passage by that body and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 3439—A Bill to amend and reenact §3-2-5, §16-19-3, §16-19-5, and §16-19-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to registration of voters and voluntary registration of organ donors; providing for applications for registration to include an option for the applicant to register as an organ donor and be included in a national organ donor database; revising a definition; authorizing the Secretary of State to provide donor registrant records collected to the donor registry; requiring the Secretary of State to provide information on the election of organ donation on voter registration cards, and providing for promulgation of legislative rules.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

The Senate again proceeded to the fourth order of business.

Senator Grady, from the Committee on Education, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration

Senate Bill 197, Limiting requirements for issuance of professional teaching certificate.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Amy N. Grady,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (S. B. 197) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Education was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Senate Bill 517, Requiring medical professionals to report injuries and side effects from vaccines to Bureau for Public Health.

And,

Senate Bill 886, Relating to Foster Child Bill of Rights.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, Senate Bill 517 contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Health and Human Resources was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Stuart, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 531 (originating in the Committee on Education), Defining assault and battery on sports officials.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 531 (originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)—A Bill to amend and reenact §61-2-15a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the offenses of assault and battery on athletic officials; increasing the fines for assault or battery on athletic officials; and providing criminal penalties for the offenses.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stuart,
Chair.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Senate Bill 593, Relating to electronic voting and preserving voting data.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 593 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §3-4A-27a, relating to preservation of voting data from electronic voting machines; and requiring the Secretary of State to electronically publish cast vote records and images of each ballot cast in an election.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 593) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Government Organization was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 626 (originating in the Committee on Economic Development), Relating to qualifications of regional airport authority members.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 626 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend and reenact §8-29-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to qualifications of members of regional airport authority; and authorizing participating municipality or county to appoint a nonresident member to a regional airport authority after complying with required legal advertisement.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 626) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Government Organization was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Senate Bill 632, Prohibiting surprise billing of ground emergency medical services by nonparticipating providers.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 632 (originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding five new sections, designated §33-15-24, §33-16-20, §33-24-46, §33-25-23, and §33-25A-37, relating to surprise billing of out-of-network ambulance services; clarifying what is considered full payment to an ambulance service, what the rate of payment is, and the most an ambulance service can be

paid; prohibiting billing an insured for additional costs except for fees the insurer required the insured to pay; providing procedure for payment; providing exceptions when the insurer does not have to pay within 30 days; and requiring written notices for denied claims.

And,

Senate Bill 925, Creating needs-based assessment for EMS.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 925 (originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-4G-1, §16-4G-2, §16-4G-3, §16-4G-4, §16-4G-5, §16-4G-6, §16-4G-7, and §16-4G-8, relating to requiring needs-based assessments of emergency medical services departments so that funding may be distributed according to need and not equally across the board; providing short title; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; providing process for implementation; providing for application of the assessment; providing for reporting and legislative oversight; authorizing rulemaking to the Office of Emergency Medical Services; and establishing an effective date.

With the recommendation that the two committee substitutes do pass; but under the original double committee references first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Barrett, as chair of the Committee on Finance, unanimous consent was granted to dispense with the second committee reference of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 632 contained in the foregoing report from the Committee on Health and Human Resources.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 925, under the original double committee reference, was then referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Senate Bill 718, Relating to hospital transparency.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 718 (originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-67-1, §16-67-2, §16-67-3, §16-67-4, §16-67-5, §16-67-6, §16-67-7, and §16-67-8; and to repeal §16-29B-24, relating to hospital transparency; setting forth legislative findings; defining terms; setting forth duties of Insurance Commissioner; setting forth reports to be filed; setting forth the form of the reports to be filed; requiring the submission of public payor

information; providing the commissioner may protect information; requiring rulemaking; providing for penalties; and adding effective date.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 718) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Health and Human Resources was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Barrett, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Finance has had under consideration

Senate Bill 722, Creating WV Short Line Railroad Modernization Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 722 (originating in the Committee on Finance)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §11-13NN-1, §11-13NN-2, §11-13NN-3, §11-13NN-4, §11-13NN-5, §11-13NN-6, §11-13NN-7, and §11-13NN-8, relating to creating the West Virginia Short Line Railroad Modernization Act; defining terms; setting out the amount of the tax credit; setting limitations on the credit; providing for requirements to claim the credit; setting out uses of the credit; providing for carryover of the credit; allowing the transfer of the credit; providing for review and accountability; and setting a sunset date.

And,

Senate Bill 748, Creating Safer Communities Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 748 (originating in the Committee on Finance)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding 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 creating the Safer Communities Act; stating legislative findings and purpose; providing definitions; authorizing counties to levy a public safety sales or amusement tax; providing for voter referendum prior to levying a public safety sales or amusement tax; providing passage by simple majority; requiring voter approval for rate change; setting a procedure for the referendum; setting out ballot language; requiring publication prior to election; requiring entry of an order following voter approval; requiring notification to certain offices; dedicating purposes of the funds; providing maximum tax rate amount; setting out an effective date; and providing exclusions.

With the recommendation that the two committee substitutes do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Barrett,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bills (Com. Sub. for S. B. 722 and 748) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Finance were each taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Barrett, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Finance has had under consideration

Senate Bill 724, Relating to taxation.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 724 (originating in the Committee on Finance)—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-6B-3 and §11-6B-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to repeal §11-8-6e, relating to taxation; providing for an increase in the homestead exemption; providing that change to exemption is contingent on passage of constitutional amendment; and repealing limitation on levy rates resulting in property tax increase.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Barrett,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 724) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Finance was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Grady, from the Committee on Education, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 765 (originating in the Committee on Military), Establishing Troops to Teachers Program.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 765 (originating in the Committee on Education)—A Bill to amend and reenact §18A-3-1 and §18A-3-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to establishing the Troops-to-Teachers Program; providing for establishment and purpose of program; and setting out conditions for issuance of professional teaching certificate.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy N. Grady,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 765) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Education was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Senate Bill 790, Increasing oversight and regulatory authority of PSC over public service districts.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 790 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding four new sections, designated §8-19-1a, §8-20-1d, §16-13-18b, and 16-13A-1d, relating to requiring quarterly reporting by water and wastewater utilities that are political subdivisions of the state to their governing bodies; and requiring annual continuing education for board members and senior management.

Senate Bill 890, Relating to auctioneers.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 890 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend and reenact §19-2C-1, §19-2C-2, §19-2C-3, §19-2C-3a, §19-2C-4, §19-2C-5b, §19-2C-6, §19-2C-6a, §19-2C-7, §19-2C-8, §19-2C-9, and §19-2C-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to auctioneers; providing definitions; updating exceptions; requiring fees be established by legislative rule; raising the amount of bond an auctioneer must have; removing the board from being authorized to use records for screening applicants for licenses; extending how long apprentice auctioneer can perform after license has expired; clarifying investigation of complaints; providing board members with compensation; clarifying hearing procedure; requiring civil penalties be payable to the Department on Agriculture; updating contract terms; and clarifying what is prohibited when advertising or promoting an auction.

Senate Bill 892, Relating to property valuation.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 892 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-1C-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to property valuation; clarifying requirements before an assessor can be nominated; and providing preference when certain requirements are met.

Senate Bill 916, Creating Agritourism Modernization Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 916 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §19-36-7, relating to recognizing the constitutional authority of the Commissioner of Agriculture to intervene and supersede in matters that negatively affect agritourism; specifying the implementation of such authority; and requiring annual report to the Legislature.

And,

Senate Bill 921, Creating WV Medical Services Oversight and Support Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 921 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §16-4F-1, §16-4F-2, §16-4F-3, §16-4F-4, and §16-4F-5, relating to mandating oversight, guidance, and support from the Office of Emergency Medical Services to county commissions; establishing duties of Office of Emergency Medical Services; and providing for implementation and reports to the Legislature.

With the recommendation that the five committee substitutes do pass; but under the original double committee references first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Barrett, as chair of the Committee on Finance, unanimous consent was granted to dispense with the second committee references of four of the bills (Com. Sub. for S. B. 790, 890, 892, and 916) contained in the foregoing report from the Committee on Government Organization.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 921, under the original double committee reference, was then referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 801 (originating in the Committee on Natural Resources), Creating WV Public Waterway Act.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 801 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new article, designated §20-3C-1, §20-3C-2, §20-3C-3, and §20-3C-4, relating to creating the West Virginia Public Waterway Access Act; establishing purpose and legislative findings; defining

terms; requiring public access at bridge crossings in certain circumstances; and requiring Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Division of Natural Resources, to develop guidelines to implement West Virginia Public Waterway Access Act.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute for committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 801) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Government Organization was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 810, Clarifying requirements for administration of anesthesia and chronic pain practice by certain licensed nurses.

And has amended same.

Now on second reading, having been read a first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources on March 25, 2025;

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

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Senate Bill 837, Eliminating WV Office of Equal Opportunity.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (S. B. 837) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Government Organization was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Jeffries, from the Committee on Economic Development, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Economic Development has had under consideration

Senate Bill 869, Creating Corridor H Advanced Energy and Economic Corridor Authority.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 869 (originating in the Committee on Economic Development)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding four new sections, designated §17-28-13, §17-28-14, §17-28-15, and §17-28-16, relating to the Robert C. Byrd Corridor H Highway Authority; providing for legislative findings; continuing authority and providing for composition of authority members; providing for ex officio, nonvoting members and voting members; providing for terms of membership; providing for meeting and quorum requirements; providing that members are not compensated; reimbursing members for expenses; providing for certain powers and duties; and requiring annual reporting to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn D. Jeffries,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Barrett, as chair of the Committee on Finance, unanimous consent was granted to dispense with the second committee reference of the bill contained in the foregoing report from the Committee on Economic Development.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Senate Bill 873, Providing for process to address homeless population.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 873 (originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources)—A Bill to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section, designated §9-5-31a, relating to the creation of the West Virginia Homelessness Rehabilitation and Public Safety Act.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

The bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 873), under the original double committee reference, was then referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Stuart, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had under consideration

Senate Bill 875, Relating to container labeling of nonintoxicating beer and nonintoxicating craft beer.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 875 (originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)—A Bill to amend and reenact §11-16-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to container labeling of nonintoxicating beer and nonintoxicating craft beer; permitting certain brewers, brewpubs, manufacturers, and resident brewers to make private labels for existing beer brands available for purchase; providing for label requirements; and providing for pricing and purchasing restrictions.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Stuart,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 875) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on the Judiciary was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Chapman, from 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

Senate Bill 904, Clarifying duties and responsibilities of Secretary of Department of Health, Commissioner of Bureau for Public Health, and State Health Officer.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 904 (originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources)—A Bill to amend and reenact §16-1-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the clarification of requirements for Commissioner of the Bureau for Public Health.

With the recommendation that the committee substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Wakim Chapman,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 904) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Health and Human Resources was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Jeffries, from the Committee on Economic Development, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Economic Development has had under consideration

Senate Bill 907, Relating to high impact development projects.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn D. Jeffries,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (S. B. 907) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Economic Development was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Jeffries, from the Committee on Economic Development, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Economic Development has had under consideration

Senate Bill 908, Requiring Department of Economic Development to establish WV Produced or Manufactured Program.

And reports back a committee substitute for same with the following title:

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 908 (originating in the Committee on Economic Development)—A Bill to amend and reenact §5B-2-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring the Secretary of the Department of Economic Development to establish a West Virginia Produced or Manufactured Program as the department's official marketing program for products produced or manufactured in West Virginia; and requiring the secretary to propose legislative rules to implement the program.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn D. Jeffries,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Jeffries, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (Com. Sub. for S. B. 908) contained in the foregoing report from the Committee on Economic Development was then referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Rucker, from the Committee on Government Organization, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Government Organization has had under consideration

Senate Bill 940 (originating in the Committee on Government Organization)—A Bill to amend and reenact §22-11-8 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to specifying that a political subdivision that administers a water pollution permit under delegation from the Department of Environmental Protection may not impose standards or requirements more stringent than any federal or state rule, regulation, program, or permitting regime; and providing limited exceptions.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Puertas Rucker,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the bill (S. B. 940) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Government Organization was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Barrett, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Finance has had under consideration

Senate Joint Resolution 16 (originating in the Committee on Finance)—Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, amending section one-b, article X thereof, relating to homestead exemption increases; numbering and designating such proposed amendment; and providing a summarized statement of the purpose of such proposed amendment.

And reports the same back with the recommendation that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Barrett,
Chair.

At the request of Senator Martin, unanimous consent being granted, the resolution (S. J. R. 16) contained in the preceding report from the Committee on Finance was taken up for immediate consideration, read a first time, and ordered to second reading.

Senator Grady, from the Committee on Education, submitted the following report, which was received:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration

Eng. House Bill 2516, To repeal antiquated and inoperative portions of code.

And,

Eng. Com. Sub. for House Bill 3192, To repeal obsolete, conflicting or inoperative provisions of code that pertain to higher education.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Amy N. Grady,
Chair.

The Senate proceeded to the eleventh order of business and the introduction of guests.

The Senate then proceeded to the thirteenth order of business.

Under the provisions of Rule 15 of the Rules of the Senate, the following senators were removed as co-sponsors of the following bills on March 26, 2025:

Senate Bill 599: Senator Phillips;

And

Senate Bill 805: Senator Hart.

Under the provisions of Rule 15 of the Rules of the Senate, the following senators were added as co-sponsors to the following bills and resolution on March 26, 2025:

Senate Bill 85: Senators Taylor and Helton;

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 708: Senator Phillips;

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 761: Senator Helton;

Com. Sub. for Senate Bill 821: Senator Helton;

Senate Bill 844: Senators Hart and Deeds;

Senate Bill 880: Senator Clements;

And,

Senate Resolution 41: Senators Rose, Rucker, Woelfel, and Hart.

Pending announcement of meetings of standing committees of the Senate,

On motion of Senator Martin, at 5:26 p.m., the Senate adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, March 28, 2025, at 12 Noon.

SENATE CALENDAR

**Friday, March 28, 2025
12:00 PM**

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Saturday, April 12, 2025 – 11:30 AM

Consideration of executive nominations

THIRD READING

- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 225 - Expanding powers of National Park Service law-enforcement officers
- Eng. Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 506 - Relating to enhanced pay for certain teachers
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 576 - Authorizing fixed odds racing in horse and dog racing (original similar to HB3418)
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 690 - Authorizing county commissions to increase compensation of elected county officials
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 707 - Providing increase in salary to WV Birth-to-Three contracted therapists and employees
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 708 - Providing state mine inspectors with raise
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 763 - Creating Public Electrical Savings Act
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 833 - Excluding pharmaceutical medication from prior authorization gold card process
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 844 - Exempting non-native quail and partridge from game farm requirement if owned for agricultural purposes
- Eng. S. B. 866 - Requiring WV Board of Education to promulgate legislative rule in consultation with WV Board of Physical Therapy
- Eng. Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 874 - Permitting current home confinement officers to participate in Emergency Medical Services Retirement System
- Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 934 - Relating to low-proof spirit alcohol products

SECOND READING

- S. B. 197 - Limiting requirements for issuance of professional teaching certificate
- S. B. 517 - Requiring medical professionals to report injuries and side effects from vaccines to Bureau for Public Health (original similar to HB2954)

Com. Sub. for S. B. 593 - Preserving voting data from electronic voting machines

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 626 - Relating to qualifications of regional airport authority members

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 663 - Creating Fair Access to Financial Services Act

Com. Sub. for S. B. 718 - Relating to hospital transparency

Com. Sub. for S. B. 722 - Creating WV Short Line Railroad Modernization Act

Com. Sub. for S. B. 724 - Relating to taxation (original similar to HB3451)

S. B. 728 - Relating generally to transfer on death deed

Com. Sub. for S. B. 739 - Relating to recovery residences

Com. Sub. for S. B. 748 - Creating Safer Communities Act

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 761 - Creating Joel Archer Substance Abuse Intervention Act

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 765 - Establishing Troops-to-Teachers Program

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 801 - Creating WV Public Waterway Access Act

Com. Sub. for S. B. 810 - Clarifying requirements for administration of anesthesia and chronic pain practice by certain licensed nurses - (Com. amend. pending)

S. B. 837 - Eliminating WV Office of Equal Opportunity

Com. Sub. for S. B. 850 - Creating Protecting Shareholders Act

Com. Sub. for S. B. 875 - Relating to container labeling of nonintoxicating beer and nonintoxicating craft beer

Com. Sub. for S. B. 904 - Clarifying requirements for Commissioner of Bureau for Public Health

S. B. 907 - Relating to high impact development projects

S. B. 940 - Relating to Water Pollution Control Act

S. J. R. 16 - Homestead Exemption Increase Amendment

Eng. H. B. 2387 - To repeal the class A1 Pistol stamp for hunting

Eng. H. B. 2402 - Relating to providing access to medical records; providing access to a minor's medical record - (com. amend. pending)

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

FIRST READING

Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. 531 - Relating to offenses of assault and battery on athletic officials

Com. Sub. for S. B. 632 - Relating to surprise billing of out-of-network ambulance services (original similar to HB3470, SB717)

Com. Sub. for S. B. 790 - Requiring quarterly reporting by certain water and wastewater utilities

Com. Sub. for S. B. 869 - Creating Corridor H Advanced Energy and Economic Corridor Authority

S. B. 886 - Relating to Foster Child Bill of Rights

Com. Sub. for S. B. 890 - Relating to auctioneers

Com. Sub. for S. B. 892 - Relating to property valuation

Com. Sub. for S. B. 916 - Recognizing authority of Agriculture Commissioner to intervene in matters that negatively affect agritourism

S. B. 939 - Relating to testing for substance use disorder

Eng. H. B. 2516 - To repeal antiquated and inoperative portions of code.

Eng. Com. Sub. for H. B. 3192 - To repeal obsolete, conflicting or inoperative provisions of code that pertain to higher education

ANNOUNCED SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Regular Session 2025

Friday, March 28, 2025

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| 10 a.m. | Transportation & Infrastructure | (Room 451M) |
| 11 a.m. | Energy, Industry, & Mining | (Room 208W) |
| 2 p.m. | Education | (Room 451M) |
| 2 p.m. | Government Organization | (Room 208W) |
| 3 p.m. | Finance | (Room 451M) |
| 3 p.m. | Judiciary | (Room 208W) |