

West Virginia Legislature

Senate Finance Committee

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

3:00 p.m.

Room 451-M

The Senate Committee on Finance met at 3:00 p.m. in room 451-M on Wednesday January 16, 2019. Senator Blair, Chairman, called the meeting to order and the committee clerk took a silent roll call to establish a quorum.

Members present: Senators, Boley, Facemire, Hamilton, Ihlenfeld, Mann, Maroney, Palumbo, Plymale, Prezioso, Roberts, Swope, Sypolt, Tarr, Unger and Chairman Blair.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Prezioso for approval of the minutes from the January 15, 2019, 3:00 p.m. meeting. The motion was adopted.

Chairman Blair recognized Counsel to the Senate Committee on Finance, Jeff Johnson, to explain SB180 – State Tax Department rule relating to payment of taxes by electronic funds transfer and to answer questions of the committee.

The Chairman recognized Senator Prezioso, who moved adoption of Senate Bill 180 with the recommendation that it do pass, but first under the original double committee reference, be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Chairman put the question on the motion and declared the motion adopted.

Chairman Blair recognized Alan Nichols, Counsel to the Senate Committee on Finance to explain SB 181 – State Tax Department rule relating to aircraft operated under a fractional ownership program, and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Vice-Chairman Mann, who moved adoption of SB 181 with the recommendation it do pass, but first under its original double committee reference, be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Chairman Blair recognized Counsel Johnson to explain SB 182 – State Tax Department rule relating to senior citizen tax credit for property taxes paid, and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Vice-Chairman Mann, who moved adoption of SB 182 with the recommendation it do pass, but first under its original double committee reference, be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Chairman Blair recognized Counsel Nichols to explain SB 183 – State Tax Department rule relating to administration of tax on purchases of wine and liquor inside and outside of municipalities, and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Vice-Chairman Mann, who moved adoption of SB 183 with the recommendation it do pass, but first under its original double committee reference, be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Chairman put the question on the motion and declared the motion adopted.

Chairman Blair recognized Kent A. Leonhardt, Commissioner, West Virginia Department of Agriculture, to present the department’s budget and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Brian Farkas, Executive Director, West Virginia Conservation Agency, to explain the agency’s budget and to answer questions of the committee.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Blair recognized Senator Swope for a motion to adjourn and declared the motion adopted.

Craig Blair, Chairman

Date

Tammy Shamblin, Committee Clerk

Date