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West Virginia Legislature
Senate Finance Committee

Monday, February 4, 2019

3:00 pm

Room 451-M

The Senate Committee on Finance met at 3:00 pm in room 451-M on Monday, February 4, 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 Facemire, Hamilton, Ihlenfeld, Maroney, Palumbo, Plymale, Prezioso, Roberts, Swope, Sypolt, Tarr, and Chairman Blair.

The Chairman recognized Senator Facemire for approval of the minutes from the Thursday, January 31, 2019, 9:30 a.m. meeting.

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 16 – Authorizing expenditure of surplus funds by Wyoming County Commission and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Facemire, who moved adoption of SB 16 with the recommendation it do pass.

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

Chairman Blair recognized Jeff Johnson Counsel to the Committee on Finance, to explain SB 30 – Eliminating tax on annuity considerations collected by life insurer, and the amendment adopted by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Facemire, who moved to approve a committee substitute in lieu of the amendment.

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

The Chairman again recognized Senator Facemire, who move adoption of Committee Substitute for SB 30, with the recommendation it do pass.

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

Chairman Blair recognized Counsel Johnson to explain Committee Substitute for SB 90 – Transferring Safety and Treatment Program from DHHR to DMV and to answer questions of the committee.

Christina Mullins, Commissioner, WV Bureau for Behavioral Health and Adam Holley, General Counsel, WV DMV were recognized to answer additional questions of the committee.

Counsel explained that a Committee Substitute to the Committee Substitute had been drafted.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Facemire, who moved adoption of the committee substitute to the committee substitute.

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

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

Chairman Blair recognized Jeff Johnson Counsel to the Committee on Finance, to explain Committee Substitute for SB 323– Establishing revenue fund and source to support Department of Agriculture’s improvement to facilities, and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Facemire, who moved adoption of Committee Substitute for SB 323, with the recommendation it do pass.

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

Chairman Blair recognized Counsel Nichols, to explain SB 346 – Changing rate which certain judges are paid for mileage when traveling within state, and to answer questions of the committee.

Chairman Blair recognized Senator Facemire, who moved adoption of SB 346, with the recommendation it do pass.

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

The Chairman then recognized the Senator from Upshur for a report from the Subcommittee for SB 263 – Limiting number of days legislators may be compensated during extended and extraordinary sessions if budget bill not enacted.

The Chairman recognized Counsel Johnson to explain that a committee substitute had been drafted and to answer questions of the committee.

The Chairman recognized Senator Facemire who moved the adoption of the committee substitute.

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

The Chairman recognized Senator Facemire, who moved adoption of Committee Substitute for SB 263 with the recommendation it do pass.

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

Chairman Blair then recognized Counsel Johnson to explain the draft for the Claims Against the State bill and requested sponsors of the bill.

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