



**WEST VIRGINIA SENATE
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION**

Minutes for February 19, 2019

Pursuant to the call of the Chairman, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on February 19, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 208-W.

All members being present, with the exception of Senator Mann, the Chairman declared the presence of a quorum (See attached Roll Call and Agenda).

On motion of Senator Swope, the minutes from the previous meeting held February 14, 2019, were approved.

S.B. 396 - Waiving occupational licensing fees for low-income individuals, military families, and young workers

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute was put and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 396 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.B. 569 – Relating to interagency procurement of commodities and services

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Jennelle Jones, Counsel, WV Governor's Office, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. Senator Swope moved to report S.B. 569 to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. It was put and failed. S.B. 569 was not reported.

S.B. 570 - Allowing contracts without bids for construction, demolition, or rehabilitation resulting from declared state of emergency

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Major C. Scott Applegate, Deputy Staff Sergeant, WV National Guard, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, the Committee laid the bill over.

C.S. for S.B. 404 - Relating generally to sediment control during commercial timber harvesting operations

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Jeremy McGill, Assistant State Forester, WV Division of Forestry, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. On motion of

Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 404 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Without objection, the Committee recessed until 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Committee meetings on The Judiciary and Finance.

Upon expiration of the recess, the Committee reconvened on February 19, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. and resumed consideration of S.B. 441

S.B. 441 - Relating to higher education campus police officers

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. Senator Swope moved to amend the bill, it was put and adopted. Counsel was authorized to incorporate S.B. 441 as amended into an agreed committee substitute. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 441 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 2612 – Proposing rules related to the completion or updating of source water protection plans

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 2612 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 330 - Requiring contact information be listed on agency's online directory and website (SG)

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute was put and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 330 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 464 – Modifying licensing requirements for telemedicine and surgery or podiatry (CF)

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Jamie Alley, Deputy Director, WV Board of Medicine; and Diana Shepherd, Executive Director, WV Osteopathic Licensing Board, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. Senator Swope moved to report S.B. 464 to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. It was put and failed. S.B. 464 was not reported.

On motion of Senator Tarr, the meeting was adjourned.