



**WEST VIRGINIA SENATE
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION**

Minutes for February 23, 2019

Pursuant to the call of the Chairman, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on February 23, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 208-W.

All members being present, with the exception of Senator Mann and Senator Woelfel, 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 21, 2019, were approved.

S.B. 633 – Authorizing Board of Physical Therapy conduct criminal background checks on applicants for licenses

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Jeff Stevens, Executive Director, WV Physical Therapy Association, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 633 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

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Mark Spangler, Executive Director, WV Board of Medicine, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. Senator Smith called the previous question and then withdrew the motion. With leave of the Committee, Edward J. George, representing iSelectMD, addressed the Committee and responded to questions. Senator Tarr moved to the amend the bill, it was put and adopted. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, as amended was put and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 464 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 658 - Relating to motor vehicle salesperson licenses

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 658 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 555 – Relating to authority of Higher Education Policy Commission

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 555 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 625 - Clarifying and defining authority of State Athletic Commission

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 625 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Originating Bill #1

Seth Gaskins, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the originating bill and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the originating bill was put and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, Originating Bill #1 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On motion of Senator Sypolt, the meeting was adjourned.

Gregory L. Boso, Chair

Isabel Kinnison, Clerk