



WEST VIRGINIA SENATE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 14, 2019, 3:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the call of the Chairman, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on February 14, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 208-W.

Senator Weld chaired the meeting.

All members being present, with the exception of Senators Baldwin, Takubo, and Trump, who were absent, the Chairman declared the presence of a quorum. (See attached roll call and agenda).

On motion of Senator Rucker, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

S. B. 44 - Appropriation Supremacy Act of 2019.

Sarah Canterbury, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

Chairman Weld moved further consideration to the end of the agenda.

S. B. 360 - Relating to third-party litigation financing.

Bill Aubel, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Eric Schuller, Alliance for Responsible Consumer Legal Funding, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Andrew Kirkner, National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Anthony Majestro, Legislative Chair, West Virginia Association of Justice, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Danielle Waltz, United States Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Weld, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

On motion of Senator Rucker, the committee agreed to the committee substitute.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S. B. 601 - Relating to mandatory supervision of adult inmates.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Stacy Nowicki-Eldridge, Deputy General Counsel, West Virginia Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety, Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

On motion of Senator Rucker, the committee agreed to the committee substitute.

On motion of Senator Rucker, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On motion of Senator Rucker, the committee agreed to lay over **S. B. 44**.

On motion of Senator Rucker, the committee adjourned.

Ryan W. Weld, Chair


Beverly Douglas, Analyst/Clerk