



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for JANUARY 23, 2020, 2:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on January 23, 2020, 2:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Maynard, Swope, Clements, Maroney, Smith, Sypolt, Tarr, Facemire, Ihlenfeld, Jeffries, Lindsay, Palumbo, Woelfel

Members absent: Senator Mann

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

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

H.B. 2696 – Creating an additional index system for state-owned lands

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., WV Deputy State Auditor, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maynard, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.) On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 2696 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

H.B. 4020 – Removing authority of municipalities to require occupational licensure if licensure for the occupation is required by the state

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. With leave of the Committee, Susan Economou, Deputy Executive Director, West Virginia Municipal League, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maynard, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.) Senator Swope moved to report H.B. 4020 to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. Division was demanded, and the demand was sustained. The vote being 7 in favor and 6 opposed, the motion was adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 4020 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 the Judiciary.

H.B. 4130 – Relating to competitive bidding for government construction contracts arising out of declared states of emergency

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. Senator Facemire moved to amend the bill, it was put and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 4130 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

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 January 23, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. and resumed consideration of S.B. 209

S.B. 209 – Repealing annexation by minor boundary adjustment

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. 209 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S.B. 175 – Requiring certain agencies maintain website which contains specific information

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. 175 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. Chairman Maynard requested unanimous consent of the Committee to request that 2nd reference to Finance be dispensed with. No objection was heard.

On Motion of Senator Swope the committee adjourned.



Mark R. Maynard, Chair



Isabel Kinnison, Clerk

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the Senate Committee on Government Organization.

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be
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God."

C. Russell Rozlyson Jr

Print Witness Name

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Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

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