



West Virginia Senate Committee on Natural Resources

Minutes for JANUARY 20, 2020, 1:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources met on January 20, 2020, 1:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Hamilton, Mann, Cline, Pitsenbarger, Roberts, Rucker, Smith, Sypolt, Beach, Facemire, Prezioso, Stollings

Members absent: Senators Hardesty

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

The first item on the agenda is staff introductions.

Chairman Hamilton brought the following bills before the committee.

S. B. 468 - Relating to eligibility for license or permit application.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Col. Lt. David Trader, DNR, administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Hamilton, addressed the committee and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Mann, SB468 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 470 - Relating to use of crossbow to hunt.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB470 be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 487 - Providing exception that all DNR payments be deposited within 24 hours.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Steve McDaniel, Director of DNR, administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Hamilton, addressed the committee and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB470 be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 500 - Relating to Class Y special crossbow hunting permit.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Steve McDaniel, Director of DNR, administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Hamilton, addressed the committee and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB500 be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 501 - Relating to North Bend Rail Trail, Greenbrier River Trail, and Elk River Trail.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB501 be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 469 - Increasing replacement costs for game and protected species.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Steve McDaniel, Director of DNR, administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Hamilton, addressed the committee and responded to questions.

Senator Smith moved to amend the bill by having a \$100 penalty for each trout over the limit, up to five and then \$20 for each trout thereafter. Discussion followed.

The question being on the amendment from Senator Smith, the same was put and the amendment was adopted.

Without objection, the committee authorized counsel to incorporate the amendment into the committee substitute.

Senator Smith moved to amend the committee substitute by changing the wild boar penalty from \$200 to \$500

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Without objection, the committee authorized counsel to incorporate the amendment into the committee substitute.

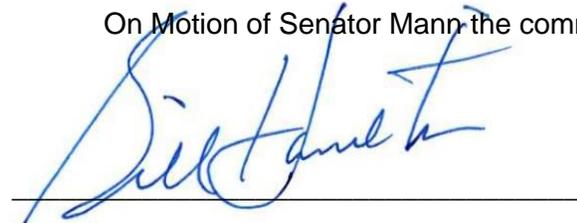
On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB469, as amended, be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Committee Substitute for S. B. 160 - Creating Voluntary WVU Rifle Team Check-Off Program on hunting and fishing licenses.

Counsel explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions.

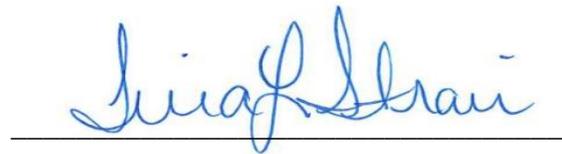
On motion of Senator Mann the committee recommended the Com Sub for SB160 be reported to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On Motion of Senator Mann the committee adjourned.



Bill Hamilton

Chair



Trina Strain

Clerk