



# West Virginia Senate

## Committee on Education

Minutes for April 01, 2025, 10:25 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Education met on April 01, 2025, 10:25 AM in Room 451-M.

Members present: Senators Grady, Clements, Azinger, Bartlett, Deeds, Fuller, Morris, Oliverio, Roberts, Tarr, Taylor, Garcia

Members absent: Senators Boley, Hart, Stuart

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

On motion of Vice-Chair Clements, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The next item on the agenda was **HB3166** - Requirements for School Safety Mapping Data.

Chair Grady recognized Hank Hager, Counsel, to explain the bill in lieu of having it read. The bill was explained. Discussion from the Committee followed.

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved that **House Bill 3166** 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**. The motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda was **HB2164** - To allow for public and private schools in West Virginia to employ security personnel.

Chair Grady recognized Hank Hager, Counsel, to explain the bill in lieu of having it read. The bill was explained. Questions from the Committee followed.

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved that **House Bill 2164** 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**. The motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda was **HB3313** - Providing more opportunities for high school students in community colleges.

Chair Grady recognized Hank Hager, Counsel, to explain the bill in lieu of having it read. The bill was explained. A question and discussion from the Committee followed.

Chair Grady recognized Senator Deeds. Senator Deeds offered an amendment. Counsel understood the amendment. By voice vote, the amendment was adopted.

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved that **House Bill 3313, as amended**, be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion was adopted.

The next item on the agenda was **HB2635** - To ensure that classroom sizes are equal without losing a teachers aide.

Chair Grady recognized Hank Hager, Counsel, to explain the bill and committee amendment in lieu of having them read. The bill and committee amendment were explained. Questions from the Committee followed.

With Leave of Committee, Chair Grady recognized Sonya White, Deputy State Superintendent of Schools. Deputy Superintendent White proceeded to answer questions from the Committee.

With Leave of Committee, Chair Grady recognized Jim Brown, Executive Director, West Virginia School Board Association. Executive Director Brown proceeded to answer questions from the Committee. Discussion from the Committee followed.

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements. Vice-Chair Clements moved to lay the bill over to a future meeting. The motion was adopted.

On motion of Vice-Chair Clements, the Committee adjourned.

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Amy N. Grady

Chair

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Benjamin Mack

Clerk