



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Education

Minutes for April 07, 2025, 9:50 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Education met on April 07, 2025, 9:50 AM in Room 451-M.

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

Members absent: Senators Boley, Deeds, 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 **HB3209** - To provide at least one counselor for every 250 students in public schools and public charter schools in this state.

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 3209** 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 **HB3125** - To remove restrictions from teachers receiving permanent teaching licenses.

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

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved that **House Bill 3125** be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion was adopted.

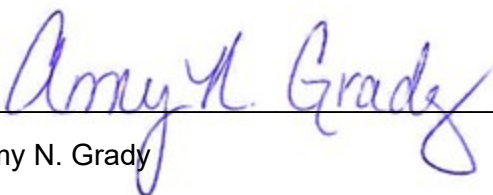
The next item on the agenda was **HB2003** - Prohibiting Cell phones in class.

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.


Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved the amendment as explained by Counsel. By voice vote, the committee amendment was adopted.

Chair Grady recognized Vice-Chair Clements for a motion. Vice-Chair Clements moved that **House Bill 2003, as amended**, be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion was adopted.

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



Amy N. Grady
Chair



Benjamin Mack
Clerk