



# West Virginia Senate

## Committee on Education

Minutes for March 05, 2026, 9:30 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Education met on March 05, 2026, 9:30 AM in Room 451-M.

Members present: Senators Grady, Azinger, Barnhart, Bartlett, Oliverio, Roberts, Tarr, Taylor, Garcia

Members absent: Senators Clements, Deeds, Fuller, Hart

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

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

Chair Grady announced that HB5537 was removed from the agenda.

**HB4395** Relating to investigations of allegations of child safety violations for school personnel was discussed.

Hank Hager, Counsel, explained the bill.

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

**HB4592** Relating to college campus safety was discussed.

Hank Hager, Counsel, explained the bill.

On motion of Senator Roberts, the committee reported the bill 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.

**HB5012** Providing for in-year school personnel movement to meet school needs was discussed.

Hank Hager, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the committee amendment, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee and after taking the prescribed oath, Dale Lee, Co-President, Education West Virginia, responded to questions. (See attached oath.).

Senator Roberts moved the amendment as explained by Counsel.

Senator Oliverio moved to amend the amendment by addressing the issue of the transfer occurring the following year and to not limit an employee applying for other jobs in the ensuing year.

Without objection, the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

The question being on the amendment as amended, the same was put and prevailed.

On motion of Senator Roberts, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

**HB5089** Relating to public school acceptance of student transcripts or other credentials was discussed.

Hank Hager, Counsel, explained the bill.

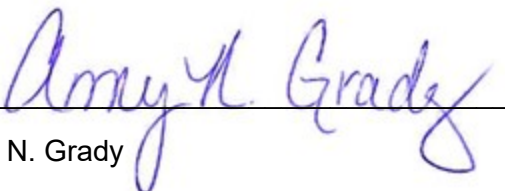
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**HB5354** Relating to authorizing legislative rules regarding higher education was discussed.

Hank Hager, Counsel, explained the bill.

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

On motion of Senator Roberts, the committee adjourned.

  
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Amy N. Grady  
Chair

  
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Benjamin Mack  
Clerk

The Senate of West Virginia



Testimony taken this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026, in  
the Senate Committee on Education

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be  
the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me  
God."

Dale Lee

Print Witness Name

Dale Lee

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Amy N. Grady

Print Member Name

Amy N. Grady

Sign Member Name