

West Virginia Senate

Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for March 02, 2023, 1:11 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 02, 2023, 1:11 PM in Room 451M.

Members present: Senators Maroney, Takubo, Azinger, Chapman, Deeds, Grady, Hamilton, Hunt, Jeffries, Plymale, Roberts, Rucker, Tarr, Weld

Members absent: None

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

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

HB2754 - Relating to immunizations performed in a pharmacy

Chairman Maroney recognized Parker Zopp, Counsel, Senate Health and Human Resources, who explained House Bill 2754. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved that House Bill 2754 be reported to the full Senate with recommendation as to passage. The motion carried.

HB2848 - Water and Sewer Operator licensing reciprocity

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Health and Human Resources, who explained House Bill 2848. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved that House Bill 2848 be reported to the full Senate with recommendation as to **passage. The motion carried.**

HB2917 - Relating to allowing retired state employees who meet the minimum qualifications necessary, to render post-retirement employment with the Department of Health and Human Resources

Chairman Maroney recognized Parker Zopp, Counsel, Senate Health and Human Resources, who explained House Bill 2917. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved that House Bill 2917 be reported to the full Senate with recommendation as to passage. The motion carried.

HB3337 - Prohibiting additional drug and alcohol treatment facilities and services in a certain county

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Health and Human Resources, who explained House Bill 3337 and the committee amendment. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved the amendment as explained by Counsel. The motion carried. Counsel answered questions from the Committee. With leave of Committee, Chairman Maroney recognized Tom Joyce, Mayor of Parkersburg, WVa, and administered the oath pursuant to Senate Rule 28a. Mr. Joyce answered questions from the Committee. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved that House Bill 3337 be reported to the full Senate, as amended, with recommendation as to passage. The motion carried.

HB2007 - Prohibiting certain medical practices

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, Counsel, Senate Health and Human Resources, who explained House Bill 2007 and the committee amendment. Chairman Maroney recognized Dr. Kacie Kidd, WVU Medicine, and administered the oath pursuant to Senate Rule 28a. Dr. Kidd answered guestions from the Committee. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved the amendment as explained by Counsel. The motion carried. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved to amend the amendment by reinstituting the language as first introduced by the House of Delegates. Dr. Kidd answered additional questions from the Committee. On the question, Chairman Maroney was uncertain to the voice vote. Division was called and the amendment failed having 7 YEAS and 7 NAYS. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved to amend the amendment by disallowing taxpayer dollars to be used for therapy. Division was called and the amendment failed with 7 YEAS and 7 NAYS. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved to amend the amendment by allowing the age of consent for medical treatment to be 16 years of age with parental consent. On that question, the amendment failed by voice vote. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved to amend the amendment by inserting a grandfather clause, with a moratorium on new individuals receiving treatment. Dr. Kidd answered additional questions from the Committee. Counsel answered questions from the Committee. Division was called for Vice-Chairman Takubo's motion and the amendment failed with 7 YEAS

and 7 NAYS. Chairman Maroney recognized Vice-Chairman Takubo, who moved that House Bill 2007 be reported to the full Senate, as amended, with recommendation as to passage, but under the original double committee reference, first be referred to the Committee on The Judiciary. Roll call was demanded. On that motion, Senators Azinger, Chapman, Deeds, Grady, Hunt, Jeffries, Roberts, Rucker, Tarr, Weld, and Maroney voted YEA. Senators Hamilton, Plymale, and Takubo voted NAY. The motion carried.

On Motion of Senator Takubo the committee adjourned.

Michael J. Maroney Chair John T. Giovengo Committee Clerk