2018 Legislative Update

Schedule and Outline of Topic Areas

(This listing is subject to change.)

Prefatory Remarks and Changes in Legislative Standards – 4 minutes

Numerical citation formatting, increasing tools to access bills and statutes

Constitutional Amendments – 10 minutes

- SJR 3 Judicial Budget Oversight Amendment
- SJR 12 No Constitutional Right to Abortion Amendment

Venue and litigation – 8 minutes

- SB 434 Specifying documents not subject to discovery in certain proceedings
- HB 2028 Relating to the venue for suits and other actions against the state
- HB 4013 Clarifying venue in West Virginia state courts as it applies to nonresidents of the state
- HB 4242 Clarifying the jurisdictional amount for removal of a civil action from magistrate court to circuit court

Limitations on Liability – 10 minutes

- SB 446 Creating Agritourism Responsibility Act
- SB 555 Providing immunity from civil liability for qualified directors of certain governmental and nonprofit entities
- HB 4603 Providing immunity from civil liability to facilities and employees providing crisis stabilization

Fiduciaries and Agents – 5 minutes

- SB 102 Creating WV Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act
- HB 4320 Limiting the ability of an agent under a power of attorney to take self-benefiting actions

Oil and Gas – 15 minutes

- SB 360 Clarifying oil and gas permits not be on flat well royalty leases
- HB 4268 Co-tenancy Modernization and Majority Protection Act
- HB 4270 Providing for the timely payment of moneys owed from oil and natural gas production

State Agencies and Administrative Law – 12 minutes

- SB 133 Exempting renewal of certain contracts entered into during declared state of emergency
- SB 283 Relating generally to procurement by state agencies
- SB 395 Providing for judicial review of appealed decisions of Air Quality Review Board, Environmental Quality Board and Surface Mine Board
- SB 552 Relating generally to Administrative Procedures Act
- HB 4015 Relating to the management and continuous inventory of vehicles owned, leased, operated, or acquired by the state and its agencies
- HB 4236 Requiring agencies to provide an annual inventory of real property holdings to the Real Estate Division
- HB 4368 Relating to voluntary assignments of wages by state employees who have been overpaid

Insurance – 10 minutes

- SB 242 Requiring health insurance providers provide coverage for certain Lyme disease treatment
- SB 299 Relating to mandatory insurance coverage for medical foods for amino acid-based formulas
- SB 401 Requiring specified coverage in health benefit plans for treatment of substance abuse disorders
- SB 442 Establishing universal forms and deadlines when submitting prior authorization electronically
- SB 495 Designating specific insurance coverages exempt from rate filing requirements

Domestic Relations – 2 minutes

- SB 51 Relating to domestic relations
- SB 443 Terminating parental rights when certain conditions are met
- HB 4546 Relating to where an application for a marriage license may be made

Occupational regulation – 5 minutes

- SB 313 Waiving occupational fees and licensing requirements for certain low-income individuals, military families, and young workers
- SB 407 Licensing and approval of child care programs
- SB 506 Deregulating persons who perform work on heating, ventilating, and cooling systems

HB 4486 - Relating to persons required to obtain a license to engage in the business of currency exchange

HB 4350 - Eliminating the regulation of upholstery

Government Ethics – 2 minutes

HB 4424 - Providing that the Ethics Act applies to certain persons providing services without pay to state elected officials

HB 4473 - Relating to use of state funds for advertising to promote a public official or government office

Public employee salary bills – 10 minutes

SB 267 - Increasing salaries of certain state employees

SB 635 - Relating to 2019 salary adjustment for employees of DHHR

HB 4142 - Providing certain employees of the Division of Corrections, Division of Juvenile Services, and West Virginia Regional Jail and Correctional Facility Authority a salary adjustment

HB 4145 - Increasing the annual salaries of members of the West Virginia State Police, public school teachers and school service personnel

Miscellaneous – 5 minutes

SB 338 - Changing date for employers to file annual reconciliation and withholding statements

SB 415 - Permitting wagering on certain professional or collegiate sports events authorized as WV Lottery Sports Wagering activities

HB 2546 - Allowing replacement costs of employer provided property to be deducted from an employee's final paycheck if the property is not returned

HB 3005 - Relating to regulation of unmanned aircraft systems

Interpretation of Statutes in Conflict – 5 minutes

SB 290 – Relating to DEP standards of water quality and effluent limitations

SB 451 - Relating generally to hunting and fishing

SB 543 - Relating to confidentiality of medical records

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