



Monday, January 26, 2015

**County Commissioners' Association of WV
Association Business Meeting
Marriott Hotel – Charleston, WV
Salon A & B – 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Call to order by President Nancy Cartmill
Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call

Approval of previous Association Meeting Minutes

Remarks on Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) from:

Mike Tatum, President & Mike Wolfe, Council Vice-President, WV Enhanced 911 Council,
Jimmy Ginato, Director WV Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

New Website Presentation

Jamie Summers-Brown, Web Master

Bricks Without Straw

Affordable Care Act Update

David Barton

CCAWV Legislative Briefing

Jack Woodrum, CCAWV Legislative Chairman

Vivian Parsons, CCAWV Executive Director

Steve Kominar, CCAWV Lobbyist

New Business

Election of CCAWV Vice Presidential Nominee to the WVACo Board of Directors
Election of CCAWV Representatives to the WVACo Board of Directors

5:00 pm -----**Business Meeting Adjournment**



MINUTES

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION BUSINESS MEETING

AUGUST 4, 2014

Pullman Plaza Hotel, Cabell County, WV

9:00 A.M.

Meeting was called to order by President, Tim McCormick. Roll call was taken. A quorum was established.

Old Business

Motion by Donnie Tenney and second by Don Mason of Marshall County to approve the Association Minutes and Action of Minutes of February 27, 2014. **Motion** carried.

New Business

Welcome to Cabell County by Nancy Cartmill, President, Cabell County Commission.

WVCoRP update by Chris Carey and Steve Rawlings.

New Services Update on Guardian Vision/Dental by Dave Barton, SVG.

Discussion regarding possible site for Annual Meeting August, 2015. Received proposals from Glade Springs Resort, Lakeview, The Waterfront Place, and Canaan Valley Resort. A vote was taken and Canaan was chosen as the site for the 2015 Annual Meeting.

Report by Vivian Parsons from CCA Board Meeting: Budget as adopted by the Board in June 2014, Dues Report FY 2015; New Headquarters – 2007 Quarrier Street; Printed Annual Report FY 2014; 2014 County Essay Contest Winners; and Legislative Issues.

Announcement of WVCoRP's annual meeting on September 30, 2014 and the Community Leadership Academy on October 1-3, 2014.

Presentation of Early Bird Award to Lewis County Commission.

Presentation of Rising Star Award to Eldon Callen, Monongalia County.

Presentation of President and Vice-President Awards to Tim McCormick and Nancy Cartmill, respectively.

Election of Officers-President and Vice-President.

Motion by Donnie Tenney and second by John Stender to nominate Nancy Cartmill as President. **Motion** by Dick Waybright and second by Don Mason (Marshall) to close nominations. **Motion** carried. Nancy Cartmill was elected President.

Motion by Rick Handley and second by Don Mason to nominate Mickey Brown as Vice-President. **Motion** by Don Mason (Marshall) and second by John Stender to close nominations. **Motion** carried. Mickey Brown was elected as Vice-President.

Motion by Don Mason and second by Al Halstead to accept nominations for election of Board Members and Legislative Committee for 2014-2015 as nominated by their districts. **Motion** carried.

Board Members Elected for 2014-2015:

District 1-Western Division (Chair)	John Stender	Tyler County
District 1-Western Division	Don Mason	Marshall County
District 1-At Large	Eldon Callen	Monongalia County
District 1-Eastern Division	Bernie Fazzini	Harrison County
District 1-Eastern Division	Dr. Richard Lechlitter	Mineral County
District 2-Western Division	Agnes Queen	Lewis County
District 2-Western Division	Jerry Linkinoggor	Clay County
District 2-Eastern Division (Chair)	Mike Taylor	Randolph County
District 2-Eastern Division	J.R. Keplinger	Hardy County
District 2-Eastern Division	Donnie Tenney	Upshur County
District 3-Western Division	Rick Handley	Mason County
District 3-Western Division	Joe Haynes	Putnam County
District 3-Western Division	Bob Pasley	Wayne County
District 3-Eastern Division (Chair)	Denise Scalph	Fayette County
District 3-Eastern Division	Jack Woodrum	Summers County

Legislative Committee Elected for 2012-2013:

District 1 – At Large	Craig Jennings	Preston County
District 1 – At Large	Eldon Callen	Monongalia County
District 2 – At Large	Rodney Cox	Roane County
District 2 – At Large	Gary Ellyson	Braxton County
District 3 – At Large	Matt Wender	Fayette County
District 3 – At Large	Gordon Lambert	McDowell County

Discussion about shortening the WV State Auditor's training series.

Motion to Adjourn by Bernie Fazzini and second by Ron Watson. **Motion** carried.



Personalized Bill Tracking List

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Bill	Title	SA(Same As)/ SI(Similar To)	Last Action	Committee Reference	Notes
HJR 1 (None)	Manufacturing Inventory Amendment		01/15/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HJR 2 (None)	Super-Majority Required for Passage of Tax Bill Amendment		01/15/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
SJR 3 (None)	Proposing constitutional amendment designated Homestead Exemption Calculation Amendment		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
HJR 3 (None)	Homestead Exemption Increase Amendment		01/15/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HJR 4 (None)	The "Homestead Exemption Increase Amendment"		01/19/15 - To House Judiciary .	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HR 5 (None)	Amending the rules of the		01/20/15 - To	House	

	House of Delegates, relating to requiring that a Jobs Impact Statement be attached to proposed legislation affecting employment or taxes in the state		House Rules	Reference 1 - Rules	
HJR 5 (None)	The "Homestead Exemption Increase Amendment"		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HJR 7 (None)	The "Manufacturing Inventory Amendment"		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HJR 8 (None)	The "Initiative, Referendum, and Recall Amendment"		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 9 (None)	Allowing law enforcement and emergency service personnel possess opioid antagonists	si SB 231 si HB 2044 sa HB 2009 SI SB 9	01/14/15 - To Senate Health and Human Resources	Senate Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources	
SB 10 (None)	Requiring nonpartisan election of judges and magistrates	sa HB 2010	01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HJR 10 (None)	Prohibiting the Governmental Taking of Private Property for Private Use Amendment		01/21/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 18 (None)	Creating Overdose Prevention Act	SI HB 2045	01/14/15 - To Senate Health and Human Resources	Senate Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	

SB 24 (None)	Prohibiting public officials and employees from using public funds for self promotion		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 27 (None)	Relating to county solid waste disposal fees; exemption <i>Raising fee to 75¢ except for whats going out of State</i>		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 29 (None)	Allowing county employee to run for vacant office without resigning	sa hb 2229	01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 35 (None)	Permitting carrying of concealed weapons without license	SA HB 2145	01/14/15 - To Senate Government Organization	Senate Reference 1 - Government Organization Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 36 (None)	Correcting code reference regarding certain court personnel completing handgun safety requirements before carrying concealed handgun		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 44 (None)	Lowering threshold for low bidder's duty to submit subcontractors on government contracts		01/14/15 - To Senate Labor	Senate Reference 1 - Labor Senate Reference 2 - Government Organization	
SB 45 (None)	Allowing transfer of interest in real property when certain co-owner pays all taxes		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 50 (None)	Relating to workers' compensation benefits for firefighters; other provisions		01/14/15 - To Senate Banking and Insurance	Senate Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 55 (None)	Creating Keep Jobs in WV Act		01/14/15 - To	Senate	

			Senate Government Organization	Reference 1 - Government Organization Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 58 (None)	Relating to delivery of workers' compensation medical benefits to injured workers		01/14/15 - To Senate Banking and Insurance	Senate Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary Senate Reference 3 - Finance	
SB 63 (None)	Redefining facilities eligible for funding assistance from Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority <i>owned or upon renovations will be owned + occupied</i>		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 65 (None)	Authorizing additional circuit court judge		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 68 (None)	Creating Healthy Children and Healthy Communities Act		01/14/15 - To Senate Health and Human Resources	Senate Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 70 (None)	Authorizing additional family court judge	SI HB 2108	01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 71 (None)	Requiring filing fee for write-in		01/14/15 - To	Senate	

	candidate for public office		Senate Judiciary	Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 74 (None)	Requiring employee be paid workers' compensation maximum temporary total disability benefits for lost time without penalty		01/14/15 - To Senate Banking and Insurance	Senate Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary Senate Reference 3 - Finance	
SB 80 (None)	Creating State Labor Relations Act		01/14/15 - To Senate Labor	Senate Reference 1 - Labor Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 89 (None)	Providing Prosecuting Attorneys Institute's council establish Executive Director's salary		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	
SB 91 (None)	Creating amnesty program for certain drivers with suspended licenses		01/14/15 - To Senate Transportation and Infrastructure	Senate Reference 1 - Transportation and Infrastructure Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 94 (None)	Establishing driver's license restoration program		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 95 (None)	Creating tax exemption for cost of spaying and neutering dogs and cats		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	
SB 98 (None)	Creating Tax Revenue Act of 2015		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	

SB 100 (None)	Establishing prevailing hourly rates for construction of public improvements		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 108 (None)	Creating loser-pays civil justice system		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 111 (None)	Redistributing portion of net racetrack video lottery terminal income dedicated to Development Office Promotion Fund		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	
SB 113 (None)	Permitting counties impose property levy for public library funding		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 114 (None)	Requiring municipal police officers wear armor vest		01/14/15 - To Senate Government Organization	Senate Reference 1 - Government Organization Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 115 (None)	Increasing annual salary of Division of Corrections employees		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	
SB 124 (None)	Redistributing and dedicating excise tax on real property transfers to regional jails		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	
SB 129 (None)	Establishing Intermediate Court of Appeals		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 134 (None)	Creating Civil Justice Reform Act of 2015		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary Senate Reference 2 - Finance	

SB 142 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing Department of Administration promulgate legislative rule relating to Purchasing Division		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 145 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing CPRB promulgate legislative rule relating to Deputy Sheriffs Retirement System		01/22/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Pensions Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 175 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing DHHR promulgate legislative rule relating to public water systems		01/16/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 186 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing Tax Department promulgate legislative rule relating to appointment of special assessors		01/14/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 194 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Correction promulgate legislative rule relating to law-enforcement training and certification standards		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 216 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing Agriculture Commissioner promulgate legislative rule relating to Spay Neuter Assistance Program		01/14/15 - To Senate Agriculture and Rural Development	Senate Reference 1 - Agriculture and Rural Development Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 224 <u>(None)</u>	Authorizing Secretary of State promulgate legislative rule relating to election recount		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	

	procedures				
SB 225 (None)	Authorizing Secretary of State promulgate legislative rule relating to electronic notarization standards and guidelines		01/14/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 229 (None)	Authorizing CPRB promulgate legislative rule relating to service credit for accrued and unused sick and annual leave		01/22/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Pensions Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 231 (None)	Allowing certain law-enforcement and public safety personnel to possess and administer opioid antagonist	si SB 9 si HB 2009 sa HB 2044	01/14/15 - To Senate Health and Human Resources	Senate Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources	
SB 234 (None)	Exempting water and sewer utilities owned by political subdivisions from PSC jurisdiction		01/15/15 - To Senate Government Organization	Senate Reference 1 - Government Organization Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 242 (None)	Creating criminal penalties for automated telephone calls causing harm during state of emergency or preparedness	SA HB S117	01/16/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 245 (None)	Repealing requirement for prevailing wage payment for public improvement construction	SA HB 2206	01/16/15 - To Senate Labor	Senate Reference 1 - Labor Senate Reference 2 - Judiciary	
SB 249 (None)	Prohibiting straight party voting		01/16/15 - To Senate Judiciary	Senate Reference 1 - Judiciary	
SB 254 (None)	Relating to Fire, EMS and Law-Enforcement Officer Survivor Benefit Act		01/19/15 - To Senate Pensions	Senate Reference 1 - Pensions Senate Reference 2 - Finance	

SB 258 (None)	Creating Letting Our Counties Act Locally Act		01/20/15 - To Senate Transportation and Infrastructure	Senate Reference 1 - Transportation and Infrastructure Senate Reference 2 - Finance	
SB 264 (None)	Reducing severance tax proceeds dedicated to Infrastructure General Obligation Debt Service Fund	SA HB 2212	01/20/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	Both would
SB 265 (None)	Reducing distribution of excess lottery proceeds to Infrastructure Fund; increasing funds available for grants	SA HB 2213	01/20/15 - To Senate Finance	Senate Reference 1 - Finance	Partially Fund Infrastructure Fund
HB 2009 (None)	Allowing State Police, police, sheriffs and fire and emergency service personnel to possess naloxone or other approved opioid antagonist	SA SB 9 SI SB 231	01/23/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2010 (None)	Requiring the elections of justices of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, circuit court judges, family court judges and magistrates be nonpartisan and by division	SA SB 10	01/14/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2011 (None)	Relating to disbursements from the Workers' Compensation Fund where an injury is self inflicted or intentionally caused by the employer	SA SB 11	01/14/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2012 (None)	Relating to the payment of wages by employers and when final wages are required to be paid	SI SB 102 SA SB 12 SI SB 99	01/14/15 - To House Industry and Labor	House Reference 1 - Industry and Labor House Reference 2 - Finance	

HB 2028 (None)	Relating generally to purchasing		01/22/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Government Organization House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2029 (None)	Allowing counties and municipalities to levy a sales tax on food and beverages sold at restaurants		01/14/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2037 (None)	Taxing of utility terrain vehicles		01/14/15 - To House Roads and Transportation	House Reference 1 - Roads and Transportation House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2040 (None)	Adding domestic violence and fraud to the list of crimes for which conviction would bar a person from holding public office		01/14/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2044 (None)	Relating generally to administration of an opioid antagonist	SI SB 231 SI SB 9	01/14/15 - To House Health and Human Resources	House Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2045 (None)	Overdose Prevention Act	SI SB 18	01/23/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Health and Human Resources House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2055 (None)	Exempting from excise taxation the transfer of real property from an individual to a		01/14/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	

	wholly-owned subsidiary			House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2057 (None)	Requiring that State Police officers be compensated for time when they are required to be on standby and providing a stipend for housing cost for certain officers		01/15/15 - To House Government Organization	House Reference 1 - Government Organization House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2070 (None)	Providing meetings and conference rights for members of municipal fire departments	SI SB 119	01/15/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2076 (None)	Allowing quarterly payment of real and personal property taxes		01/15/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2077 (None)	Requiring county boards of education to provide released time for professional educators and service personnel when serving in an elected municipal or county office		01/15/15 - To House Education	House Reference 1 - Education House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2078 (None)	Giving local authorities the authority to decrease the speed limit on streets and highways where school buses travel in its jurisdiction		01/15/15 - To House Roads and Transportation	House Reference 1 - Roads and Transportation House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2080 (None)	Reallocating and dedicating up to \$30 million to the natural gas and oil severance tax revenues annually to the natural gas and oil-producing counties of origin		01/15/15 - To House Roads and Transportation	House Reference 1 - Roads and Transportation House Reference 2 - Finance	

HB 2082 <u>(None)</u>	Requiring county boards of education to employ a certified library media specialist in each county school		01/15/15 - To House Education	House Reference 1 - Education House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2085 <u>(None)</u>	Relating to the solicitation of public employees by a candidate for an elective office		01/16/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2089 <u>(None)</u>	All relating to the disclosure of information on campaign contributions and spending		01/16/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2096 <u>(None)</u>	Giving the Insurance Commissioner the power to regulate and penalize self-insured employers		01/19/15 - To House Banking and Insurance	House Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2099 <u>(None)</u>	Extending the time of meetings of local levying bodies when meetings are delayed		01/20/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2101 <u>(None)</u>	Eliminating obsolete government entities		01/20/15 - To House Government Organization	House Reference 1 - Government Organization	
HB 2108 <u>(None)</u>	Adding one family court judge to the twenty-third family court circuit	SI SB 70	01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2109 <u>(None)</u>	West Virginia Firearms Freedom Act		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	

HB 2111 (None)	Providing a special method for valuation of certain wireless technology property for property taxes		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2113 (None)	Increasing the amount of retirement income to be excluded from the gross income of individuals receiving retirement benefits under the West Virginia Public Employees Retirement System		01/20/15 - To House Pensions and Retirement	House Reference 1 - Pensions and Retirement House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2116 (None)	Eliminating straight ticket voting; and updating language on write-in candidates		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2117 (None)	Providing criminal penalties for using automated telephone calls to disseminate false, misleading or deceptive information during a proclaimed state of emergency		01/20/15 - To House Veterans' Affairs and Homeland Security	House Reference 1 - Veterans' Affairs and Homeland Security House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2120 (None)	Permitting certain holders of concealed weapons permits to carry weapons of the grounds and buildings on the State Capitol Complex		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2128 (None)	Permitting those individuals who have been issued concealed weapons permits to keep loaded firearms in their motor vehicles on the State Capitol Complex grounds	SI SB 118	01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2137 (None)	Changing the way counties pay for regional jail inmates By hr. rather than by day		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2142 (None)	Exempting recreational vehicles from taxable personal		01/20/15 - To House Roads	House Reference 1 -	

	property		and Transportation	Roads and Transportation House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2149 (None)	Exempting records of concealed weapon license applications and issuance from disclosure under the West Virginia Freedom of Information Act		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2152 (None)	Prohibiting the publication of the identities of persons who have been issued licenses to carry a concealed deadly weapon		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2154 (None)	Providing a one-time bonus payable in July of every year for retired public school teachers and state retirees		01/20/15 - To House Pensions and Retirement	House Reference 1 - Pensions and Retirement House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2157 (None)	Relating to absentee ballot fraud		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2158 (None)	Creating the Jobs Impact Statement Act		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2159 (None)	Relating to the nonpartisan election of justices to the Supreme Court of Appeals		01/20/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2167 (None)	Providing a \$500 tax credit to volunteer firefighters		01/21/15 - To House Finance	House Reference 1 - Finance	
HB 2170 (None)	Including volunteer firefighters		01/21/15 - To	House	

	within the Public Employees Insurance Act		House Banking and Insurance	Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2189 (None)	Permitting counties to adopt certain ordinances relating to dogs and cats		01/21/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2191 (None)	Work/Incarceration Prison pilot program		01/21/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2199 (None)	Relating to the surcharge on fire and casualty insurance policies		01/21/15 - To House Banking and Insurance	House Reference 1 - Banking and Insurance House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2206 (None)	Repealing the requirement of paying prevailing hourly rate of wages for construction of public improvements		01/22/15 - To House Industry and Labor	House Reference 1 - Industry and Labor House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2208 (None)	Relating to local smoking restrictions		01/22/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Government Organization	
HB 2212 (None)	Changing the amount of severance tax revenue		01/22/15 - To House	House Reference 1 -	

	annually dedicated to the West Virginia Infrastructure General Obligation Debt Service Fund		Finance	Finance	
HB 2213 (None)	Reducing the distributions to the West Virginia Infrastructure Fund		01/22/15 - To House Finance	House Reference 1 - Finance	
HB 2229 (None)	Relating to elections for vacancies in county offices		01/22/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
HB 2237 (None)	Prohibiting project labor agreements on state-funded construction contracts		01/22/15 - To House Government Organization	House Reference 1 - Government Organization House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2245 (None)	Relating to salary increase for Regional Jail Authority employees		01/23/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2247 (None)	Prohibiting a chief deputy sheriff from engaging in certain political activities		01/23/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary	
HB 2254 (None)	Allowing the Executive Director of the West Virginia Regional Jail and Correctional Facility Authority to establish a work program		01/23/15 - To House Judiciary	House Reference 1 - Judiciary House Reference 2 - Finance	
HB 2262 (None)	Allowing counties and municipalities to levy a sales tax on food and beverages sold at restaurants		01/23/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Finance	

HB 2265 (None)	Increasing the minimum number of magisterial districts in a county		01/23/15 - To House Political Subdivisions	House Reference 1 - Political Subdivisions House Reference 2 - Judiciary	
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Legislative Update 2015

Revisions to WV Prevailing Wage

SB 100; SB 245; HB 2206

County Resolution on the collection of Court Costs

drafted

Increasing Threshold for signatures for removal process

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Future County officials' Salary Bill Mechanism

SB 531 from last year with amendments

Skin-In-the-Game (Jails)

To be introduced

Property Transfer Tax stay in County

SB 124

Support for VFD –

HB 2199; HB 2167

Increasing Homestead Exemption:

SJR 3, HJR 3 HJR 4, HJR 5

Exempting personal property on Manufacturing Inventory

HJR 1 & HJR 7

Smoking Ban Legislation

HB 2208

Please Note: Bills in **Bold Type** are **CCAWV Priorities**

2015 LEADERSHIP:

Senate President: Bill Cole

Senate Majority Leader: Mitch Carmichael

Senate Majority Whip: Daniel Hall

Senate Judiciary Chairman: Charles Trump

Senate Finance Chairman: Mike Hall

Senate Education Chairman: David Sypolt

Senate Government Organization Chairman: Craig Blair

Senate Health & Human Resources Chairman: Ryan Ferns

Senate Minority Leader: Jeff Kessler

Speaker, House of Delegates: Tim Armstead

House Majority Leader: Daryl Cowles

House Majority Whip: John O'Neal

House Judiciary Chairman: John Shott

House Finance Chairman: Eric Nelson

House Political Subdivision Chairman: Erika Storch

House Education Chairman: Amanda Pasdon

House Government Organization Chairman: Gary Howell

House Health & Human Resources Chairman: Dr. Joe Ellington

House Minority Leader: Tim Miley

20151 Senate Government Organization Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Senator Blair - Chair
Senator Walters - Vice-Chair
Senator Facemire
Senator Miller
Senator Palumbo
Senator Snyder
Senator Williams
Senator Yost

Senator Ferns
Senator Gaunch
Senator Leonhardt
Senator Maynard
Senator Mullins

2015 Senate Finance Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Senator Hall - Chair
Senator Walters - Vice-Chair
Senator Facemire
Senator Kessler
Senator Laird
Senator Plymale
Senator Prezioso
Senator Stollings

Senator Unger
Senator Yost
Senator Blair
Senator Boley
Senator Carmichael
Senator Hall, D.
Senator Sypolt
Senator Takubo

2015 Senate Judiciary Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Senator Trump - Chair
Senator Nohe - Vice-Chair
Senator Beach
Senator Kirkendoll
Senator Miller
Senator Palumbo
Senator Romano
Senator Snyder
Senator Williams

Senator Woelfel
Senator Carmichael
Senator Ferns
Senator Gaunch
Senator Karnes
Senator Leonhardt
Senator Maynard
Senator Mullins

2015 Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Senator Walters - Chair
Senator Leonhardt - Vice-Chair
Senator Beach
Senator Kirkendoll
Senator Plymale
Senator Woelfel
Senator Boley
Senator Gaunch
Senator Mullins

2015 House of Delegates Political Subdivisions Committee

Committee Members

Delegate Storch - Chair	Delegate Moffatt
Delegate Butler - Vice-Chair	Delegate O'Neal
Delegate Moye - Minority Chair	Delegate Sobonya
Delegate Trecoast - Minority Vice-Chair	Delegate Stansbury
Delegate Anderson	Delegate Weld
Delegate Cowles	Delegate Boggs
Delegate Duke	Delegate Byrd
Delegate Folk	Delegate Hartman
Delegate Gearheart	Delegate Hornbuckle
Delegate Hanshaw	Delegate Manchin
<u>Delegate Householder</u>	Delegate Morgan
Delegate Ihle	Delegate Perry
Delegate Lane	

2015 House of Delegates Finance Committee

Committee Members

Delegate Nelson - Chair	Delegate Householder
Delegate Ashley - Vice-Chair	Delegate O'Neal
Delegate Boggs - Minority Chair	Delegate Storch
Delegate Williams - Minority Vice-Chair	Delegate Walters
Delegate Anderson	Delegate Westfall
Delegate Butler	Delegate Bates
Delegate Canterbury	Delegate Guthrie
Delegate Espinosa	Delegate Longstreth
Delegate Evans	Delegate Moye
Delegate Frich	Delegate Pethtel
Delegate Gearheart	Delegate Phillips, L.
Delegate Hamilton	Delegate White

2015 House of Delegates Judiciary Committee

Committee Members

Delegate Shott - **Chair**
Delegate Lane - **Vice-Chair**
Delegate Manchin - **Minority Chair**
Delegate Skinner - **Minority Vice-Chair**
Delegate Azinger
Delegate Deem
Delegate Fast
Delegate Folk
Delegate Foster
Delegate Hanshaw
Delegate Ireland
Delegate McCuskey
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Monday, January 19, 2015
Week 1 of the 81st Legislature

The 81st Legislature is off to a quick start. Through today (January 19th) some 352 bills have been introduced in the House and Senate. Additionally, several resolutions have been drafted.

Two bills have been introduced so far dealing with "prevailing wage." **SB 100, introduced by Senators Carmichael, Blair, and Mullins** would require that the Commissioner of Labor base the determination of prevailing rates on statistics made available by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The bill would further provide a county commission with the authority to review the determination. **SB 245, introduced by Senators Trump, Blair, and Walters** would simply repeal requirements to pay prevailing wages for construction of public improvements.

Two resolutions have been introduced to increase the homestead exemption. **SJR 3 introduced by Senators Snyder and Miller** would provide an alternative method of calculating the homestead exemption based on the average cost or value of the residential property by county. The exemption may never be less than \$20,000. **HJR 3 introduced by Delegate Lane** would increase the homestead exemption from \$20,000 to \$30,000. However, if the homeowner's federal adjusted gross income is equal to or less than two hundred percent of the federal poverty level the exemption shall be the greater of \$30,000 or fifty percent of the average sale price of homes in that county during the five preceding years, provided that the exemption may not be greater than fifty percent of the average sale price of homes in the state during those five preceding years.

A 3rd resolution was introduced (**HJR 1**) by **Delegates Anderson, E. Nelson, and Gearheart** to permit the Legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible

personal property directly used in commercial and industrial businesses, or such components thereof as the Legislature may in its discretion designate. There is nothing in this resolution to replace lost revenue to county government.

I will attend a meeting with the Governor's Office tomorrow on the issue of the **Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN)**. Currently by executive order of the Governor, the governance of this network is administered by the WV Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee (SIEC) a cross-functional body that is comprised of representatives from several state and local agencies, including the County Commissioners' Association WV, WV Enhanced 911 Council and the WV Sheriffs' Association. The radio network must also be maintained. It is quite expensive to do so and there is no longer any federal grant money for this purpose. Recently there have been discussions about moving the governance and maintenance of the system to DMAPS under the State Police and using a portion of the wireless phone fees to fund the work. The WV Enhanced 911 Council is opposed to this proposal and CCAWV is opposed to reducing the wireless 911 fees that fund county 911 operations! I will keep all posted as things develop.

Following is a list of the bills introduced so far that have county interest. Remember our legislative committee meets weekly (Thursday afternoon) by phone conference to discuss the issues. Contact this office (304) 345-4639 or any of your legislative committee members to express concerns. At the end of the following list of bills there is a list of House and Senate Committee members. If you are viewing on line, just click on the member name to go to member's contact page.

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Thursday, January 22, 2015
Week 2 of the 81st Legislature

House and Senate Amend Rules to Allow for Economic Impact Studies

The House and Senate amended their rules this week adding a provision that allows the Senate President and House Speaker to require **Economic Impact Studies** on certain bills. These studies would look at whether the bill is good or bad for the economy and would determine how many jobs and the amount of wages a bill would create.

SB 258 titled "Creating Letting Our Counties Act Locally Act" was introduced this week by Senators Beech, Williams, Prezioso and Kessler. The bill would give each county commission authority to submit road and bridge construction projects to the Commissioner of Highways. It would authorize county commissions to impose a **county transportation sales and service tax and a county use tax**, at a rate not to exceed one percent, to finance the construction, in whole or in part, thereby accelerating the time for completion of those projects. The bill states that the taxes would be collected by the Tax Commissioner, at same time and in the same manner as the state consumers sales and service tax and use taxes are collected. The bill permits the net county transportation sales and use taxes would be deposited in the County Road Improvement Account, a new account that would be created in the State Road Fund, to the credit of the county's subaccount in that account. It states that the funds in the subaccounts could be used to fund road and bridge construction projects on a cash basis and the Division of Highways would be authorized to issue special revenue bonds to finance construction secured by the county's subaccount.

HB 2011 introduced this week by Delegates Howell, Rowan, Moffatt, Hamrick, Householder, J. Nelson, Statler, Walters, Arvon, Kessinger and A. Evans would require Assessors to value certain wireless businesses' property ("antennas") as **mandated salvage value (5%)**. In this bill "Antenna" means a

tower used for the purposes of transmitting cellular or wireless signals for communications purposes, including telephonically, or for computing purposes; (1) In a county of less than twenty thousand in population; and (2) Within four miles of a four-lane highway which is either completed, under construction or designed and planned to be constructed.

HB 2137 introduced by Delegate R. Phillips, H. White, Walters, Eldridge, Marcum, Smith, R., Reynolds, Storch, Moffatt, Sponaugle and Ashley would provide to counties an hourly cost when paying for the incarceration of inmates in **regional jails** instead of a daily rate.

HB 2199 introduced by Delegates Hamilton, Ferro, Lynch, Phillips, L., Guthrie, Longstreth, Evans, A., Wagner, Statler, Kurcaba and Romine would **increase the fire and casualty insurance surcharge** from .55% to 1% The bill provides that the collected funds be distributed **solely to volunteer and part-volunteer fire departments**.

Two more resolutions (**HJR 4, HJR 5**), have been introduced to increase Homestead Exemption and one more (**HJR 7**) to eliminate the personal property tax on manufacturing inventory. **HJR 8** is a resolution to amend the State Constitution to give the people the powers of initiative, referendum and recall. The resolution sets forth its scope, limitations and exceptions.

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