

# LEGISLATIVE LINEUP



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**Monday, January 13, 2020**  
**Week 1 of the 2020 WV Legislature**

## Session 2020 Begins

Session 2020 kicked off on Wednesday, January 8 with the State of the State Address. As of Friday, January 10 there have been 967 bills introduced. For now, I am only including our priorities that have been introduced. As others come of note, our office will send out additional information and bills.

## Elimination of Inventory Tax Proposal

CCAWV has participated with meetings regarding proposals on elimination of the inventory tax. This has not been introduced yet as we are still waiting on a definite plan regarding backfilling of counties of these monies. Even with passage out of legislature, this would still require 60 percent state wide voter approval.

Following is a list of the introduced last week that have county interest in regard to our 2020 Legislative Platform and Priorities. Remember our legislative committee meets weekly by phone conference to discuss the issues. Contact this office (304) 345-4639 or any of your legislative committee members to express concerns. You can find a complete list of all bills and track their progress on the Legislative website: <http://www.legis.state.wv.us/index.cfm>

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2020LegPriority - 2020 Regular Session					
Bill	Title	SA/SI	Last Action	Committee Reference	Notes
SB 36 	(None) Establishing Mountaineer Trail Network Recreation Authority		01/08/20 - To Senate Economic Development	Senate Ref. 1 - Economic Development Senate Ref. 2 -	***LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY*** A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §20-14A-1, §20-14A-2, §20-14A-3, §20-14A-4, §20-14A-5, §20-14A-6, §20-14A-7, §20-14A-8, §20-

				Judiciary	14A-9, §20-14A-10, §20-14A-11, §20-14A-12, and §20-14A-13, all relating to establishing the Mountaineer Trail Network Recreation Authority; providing a statement of legislative purpose and findings; providing definitions; establishing the Mountaineer Trail Network Recreation Authority; providing for a method of appointment to the board of the authority; prescribing the terms of appointment; describing the powers and duties of the authority; limiting the liability of landowners; setting forth purchasing and bidding procedures; providing civil remedies; providing for conflicts of interest; providing criminal penalties; providing for severability; establishing an effective date; and authorizing rulemaking.
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SB 49	(None)   	Allowing counties to implement one-percent consumers sales tax in certain circumstances	01/08/20 - To Senate Government Organization	<b>Senate Ref. 1</b> - Government Organization <b>Senate Ref. 2</b> - Finance	A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated §7-28-1, relating generally to the Local Control and Accountability Act; providing counties with authority to impose a one percent county sales tax under certain circumstances; clarifying that a county sales tax does not apply in municipalities already imposing a municipal sales tax; clarifying applicability of county sales tax when a portion of the county is annexed by a municipality with an existing municipal sales tax; and requiring counties imposing a county sales tax to use the services of the Tax Commissioner to administer the tax.
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SB 64	(None)   	Expanding county commissions' ability to dispose of county or district property	01/08/20 - To Senate Government Organization	<b>Senate Ref. 1</b> - Government Organization <b>Senate Ref. 2</b> - Judiciary	A BILL to amend and reenact §7-3-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to expanding county commissions' ability to dispose of county or district property; and adding the ability of county commissions to dispose of the property to a nonprofit community or senior center organization without conducting a public sale.
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SB 163	<u>(None)</u> 	Relating to municipal or county taxation of hotel rooms booked through marketplace facilitator		01/09/20 - To Senate Government Organization	<b>Senate Ref. 1 -</b> Senate Government Organization <b>Senate Ref. 2 -</b> Finance	A BILL to amend and reenact §7-18-3 and §7-18-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to municipal or county taxation of hotel rooms booked through a marketplace facilitator; defining terms; providing for collection and remittance of the tax imposed by any municipality or county; requiring the marketplace facilitator separately state the tax on all bills, invoices, accounts, books of account, and records relating to occupancy or use of a hotel room; and deeming all taxes collected be held in trust by the marketplace facilitator until remitted.
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SB 165	<u>(None)</u> 	Relating to effect on regular levy rate when appraisal results in tax increase		01/09/20 - To Senate Finance	<b>Senate Ref. 1 -</b> Senate Finance	A BILL to amend and reenact §11-8-6e of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the effect on regular levy rate when appraisal results in tax increase; and allowing an increase of not more than 10 percent in the total projected property tax revenues realized when current levy rates are imposed by the county commission and the municipalities before requiring a reduction in levy rate or holding public hearing.
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SB 202	<u>(None)</u> 	Allowing one member of PSD board to be county commissioner		01/09/20 - To Senate Government Organization	<b>Senate Ref. 1 -</b> Senate Government Organization	A BILL to amend and reenact §16-13A-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing one member of a public district service board to be a county commissioner of the county commission with authority to appoint the members of the board, regardless of whether the commissioner resides within the district.
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SB 209	<u>(None)</u> 	Repealing annexation by minor boundary adjustment		01/09/20 - To Senate Government Organization	<b>Senate Ref. 1 -</b> Senate Government Organization	A BILL to repeal §8-6-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to annexation by minor boundary adjustment. Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia: §1. Repeal of section relating to annexation by minor boundary adjustment.
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<b>HB</b> 2068 <span style="margin-left: 10px;">(None)</span>	Providing counties the power to establish a county sales tax under certain circumstances		<i>01/08/20 - To House Political Subdivisions</i>	<b>House Ref. 1 -</b> Political Subdivisions <b>House Ref. 2 -</b> Finance	A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §7-28-1, related to providing counties the power to establish a county sales tax if there is a municipality within their borders participating in the Municipal Home Rule Pilot Program that has enacted a municipal home rule sales tax; establishing county tax will not be in effect for municipality that has enacted municipal home rule sales tax; and requiring county to submit county tax to Tax Commissioner.
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<b>HB</b> 2216 <span style="margin-left: 10px;">(None)</span>	Defining the term minor boundary adjustment		<i>01/08/20 - To House Political Subdivisions</i>	<b>House Ref. 1 -</b> Political Subdivisions <b>House Ref. 2 -</b> Judiciary	§8-6-7. Definition of "minor boundary adjustment". As used in this article, "minor boundary adjustment" means 10 percent or less of the existing acreage of the municipality.
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<b>HB</b> 2663 <span style="margin-left: 10px;">(None)</span>	Exempting buildings or structures utilized exclusively for agricultural purposes from the provisions of the State Building Code		<i>01/08/20 - To House Agriculture and Natural Resources</i>	<b>House Ref. 1 -</b> Agriculture and Natural Resources <b>House Ref. 2 -</b> Government Organization	A BILL to amend and reenact §29-3-5b of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to exempting buildings or structures utilized exclusively for agricultural purposes from the provisions of the State Building Code which may be adopted by any county or municipality.
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