

2018 WV Legislature

Daily Report

The interim session included a select committee meeting on PEIA, seniors and long-term care. They met and approved the previous meeting minutes as well as approved the final report. The final report included a brief description of the previous meetings concerning changes in PEIA and ways to improve PEIA. There was previous discussion on privatizing the plan and investigation into how to save costs dealing with PEIA. The final report was approved and sent to the full committee.

WVSSPA has a bill that we would like to introduce dealing with PEIA. Our plan is simple and would in our opinion completely fund PEIA. Raise the severance tax 2.5% on natural gas and allocate the 2.5% increase into a PEIA fund to adequately pay for our health care.

This bill would eliminate constant changes to our coverage and premium increases. Due to the abundance of natural gas in WV, WVSSPA believes that gas leaving our state should adequately fund PEIA without costing WV citizens any additional money.

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