

2018 WV Legislative Session

February 9, 2018

PEIA Update: As many of you may know the PEIA Finance Board has called special hearings in response to the Governor's recommendation to freeze all plan changes for the next 17 months. The PEIA Finance Board, the Governor and the Legislature need to hear your voice! We want every hearing packed with service personnel!

Registration @ 5:30pm, hearing begins @ 6pm.

Charleston, WV

Monday, February 12, 2018

University of Charleston,

Greary Student Union Ballroom

Morgantown, WV

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

WVU, Erickson Alumni Center

Beckley, WV

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Tamarack Conference

SB 486: WVSSPA's PEIA Fix bill has been introduced in the Senate, this legislation calls for an increase in the natural gas severance tax, which would generate enough revenue to fund PEIA. This bill was introduced by Senators Ojeda, Baldwin, Beach, Facemire, Jefferies, Plymale, Prezioso, Romano, Stollings and Unger. This is very similar to HB 4341.

Committee Substitute SB 267: This bill has been amended in the House of Delegates Finance Committee to give service personal an 2% raise in the first year and a 1% raise in the following year. It has received the first reading on the House of Delegates floor.

HB 4145: Also calls for a 1% pay increase. This legislation has not moved out of committee. There was an attempt to force the Bill to the floor for a vote, however, that failed and it remains in the House Finance Committee.

Legislation of Concern

SB 335: . This legislation would not allow the dues of unions or associations to be deducted from public employees paychecks (payroll deduction). We feel this was introduced as retaliation for the public employee's outcry this legislative session. If this bill were to pass it would cripple the associations and unions that work very hard to protect their membership. This legislation was passed on the Senate floor and sent to the House of Delegates. **We often get asked which legislators are our friends, the Senators that voted yes do not support us.**

Yes Votes:

Arvon, Azinger, Blair, Boley, Boso, Cline, Drennan, Ferns, Gaunch, Karnes, Maroney, Maynard, Rucker, Smith, Swope, Sypolt, Takubo, Trump, Weld, Carmicheal

No Votes:

Baldwin, Beach, Clements, Facemire, Jeffries, Mann, Ojeda, Palumbo, Prezioso, Romano, Stollings, Unger, Woelfol

Shows no movement

HB 4216-This bill would eliminate substitute seniority.

HB 4224-This bill calls for an 8 hour work day for service personnel who currently work a 7 1/2 hour day with no additional pay.

HB 4225-This bill allows the board of education to demote you to any condition of employment.

HB 4226-This bill completely eliminates competency testing for service jobs.

HB 4231- This bill simply takes away the mandatory requirement to pay a full day rate for anything over 3 1/2 hours on weekends.

SB 304, SB 28 and HB 2572-These bills allow for the creation of charter schools.

SB6-Education Savings Account (ESA) allows for tax payer money to be taken from public schools.

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