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Senate Bill 202 - Allows 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. This bill has passed Senate Government Organization and is currently on second reading before the Senate.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 240- Requires restaurants and other commercial food service establishments that use grease traps that are outdoors or are in areas that are accessible to members of the general public to be designed to withstand expected loads and prevent access by children. This bill has passed the Senate and currently before House Judiciary.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 551- Is to enact the Water and Wastewater Investment Facilitation Act. This act (i) expand the uses to which a municipality that sells or leases a municipal gas, electric, water, wastewater, or other public utility may apply the proceeds of any such sale or lease, (ii) establish a process to recognize the appropriate value of a selling utility's assets to be included in the calculation of an acquiring utility's post-acquisition rate base for ratemaking purposes, and (iii) authorize water and wastewater utilities owned by a single entity to combine water and wastewater revenue requirements or allocate a portion of the wastewater revenue requirement to water customers. This bill has passed the Senate and is currently before House Government Organization.

Senate Bill 736 - Is to limit the on site time required supervision by a state engineer. The bill requires payment and performance bonds to cover a reasonable length of time for defects to be discovered. This bill is currently before Senate Transportation and Infrastructure.

Engrossed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 3049- Provides for more immediate dissemination of boiled water advisories through local health departments and local emergency management 911 answering points, and directly to interested customers. This bill has passed the House and currently before Senate Health and Human Resources.

House Bill 4953 - Provides the Public Service Commission with authority to order the acquisition of failing utilities and a variety of tools to assist distressed and failing utilities. It also: (1) Allows for an acquiring utility to recover costs associated with the acquisition of a failing utility and any costs associated with the repair, replacement or improvement of the failing utility facilities; (2) allows for profit entities to receive below market loans from the Water Development Authority to repair, replace and improve failing utilities; and (3) provides for grants up to 100 percent of the cost of repair, replacement, debt repayment, grant repayment, and improvement of a failing utility by a nonprofit public utility. This bill is currently before House Judiciary.

West Virginia Legislature

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STATE HOLIDAYS (WV Code §2-2-1)

- 01/01/2020 Wednesday.....New Year's Day
- 01/20/2020 Monday.....Martin Luther King's Birthday
- 02/17/2020 Monday.....President's Day
- 05/12/2020 Tuesday.....Primary Election Day
- 05/25/2020 Monday.....Memorial Day
- 06/19/2020 Friday.....West Virginia Day (observed)
- 07/03/2020 Friday.....Independence Day (observed)
- 09/07/2020 Monday.....Labor Day
- 10/12/2020 Monday.....Columbus Day
- 11/03/2020 Tuesday.....General Election Day
- 11/11/2020 Wednesday.....Veterans Day
- 11/26/2020 Thursday.....Thanksgiving Day
- 11/27/2020 Friday.....Lincoln's Day
- 12/25/2020 Friday.....Christmas Day

2020 LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

- First Day - January 8, 2020:** First day of session. (WV Const. Art. VI, §18)
- Twentieth Day - January 27, 2020:** Submission of Legislative Rule-Making Review bills due. (WV Code §29A-3-12)
- Thirty-fifth Day - February 11, 2020:** Last day to introduce bills in the House. (House Rule 91a) Does not apply to originating or supplementary appropriation bills. Does not apply to House resolutions or concurrent resolutions.
- Forty-first Day - February 17, 2020:** Last day to introduce bills in the Senate. (Senate Rule 14) Does not apply to originating or supplementary appropriation bills. Does not apply to Senate resolutions or concurrent resolutions.
- Forty-seventh Day - February 23, 2020:** Bills due out of committees in house of origin to ensure three full days for readings.
- Fiftieth Day - February 26, 2020:** Last day to consider bill on third reading in house of origin. Does not include budget or supplementary appropriation bills. (Joint Rule 5, paragraph b)
- Sixtieth Day - March 7, 2020:** Adjournment at Midnight. (WV Const. Art. VI, §22)

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