



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY

REP. MICHELE HOITENGA

CHAIR

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 24, 2021      10:30 AM      Room 307, House Office Building

The House Committee on Communications and Technology was called to order by Chair Hoitenga.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Hoitenga, Damoose, Griffin, Hauck, Reilly, Wozniak, Bezotte, Coleman, Haadsma, Aiyash, Scott.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Hauck moved to adopt the minutes from the February 17th, 2021 meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 46 and HB 4210 before the committee:

SB 46      (Sen. Nesbitt)

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," (MCL 211.1 to 211.155) by adding section 9p.

HB 4210      (Rep. Griffin)

A bill to amend 1905 PA 282, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of the property, by whomsoever owned, operated or conducted, of railroad companies, union station and depot companies, telegraph companies, telephone companies, sleeping car companies, express companies, car loaning companies, stock car companies, refrigerator car companies, and fast freight companies, and all other companies owning, leasing, running or operating any freight, stock, refrigerator, or any other cars, not being exclusively the property of any railroad company paying taxes upon its rolling stock under the

provisions of this act, over or upon the line or lines of any railroad or railroads in this state, and for the levy of taxes thereon by a state board of assessors, and for the collection of such taxes, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening any of the provisions of this act," (MCL 207.1 to 207.21) by adding section 5c.

Senator Nesbitt, testified in support of SB 46. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 46, but did not wish to speak:

Gavin Goetz, representing the AT&T Michigan.

Patrick Fucik, representing the T-Mobile.

Mike Alaimo, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Alexa Kramer, representing the Grand Rapids Chamber.

Nicole Nystrom, representing the Quicken Loans.

Representative Griffin, testified in support of HB 4210. Questions and discussion followed.

Steve Shults, representing the Bloomingdale Communications, testified in support of SB 46 and HB 4210. Questions and discussion followed.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in opposition to SB 46 and HB 4210.

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in opposition to SB 46 and HB 4210. Questions and discussion followed.

Bob Hance, representing the Midwest Electric, testified in support of SB 46 and HB 4210. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 46 and HB 4210, but did not wish to speak:

Jennifer Greenburg, representing the Telecom Association.

John Lindley, representing the Switch.

Mike Krombeen, representing the Lake Michigan College.

Mike Krombeen, representing the Networks Northwest.

Mike Krombeen, representing the Kinexus.

Matt Groen, representing the Michigan Cable Telecommunications Association.

Andrew Vermeesch.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to SB 46 and HB 4210, but did not wish to speak:

Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Aaron Keel, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Hoitenga adjourned the meeting at 11:33 AM.

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Representative Michele Hoytenga, Chair

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