



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON REGULATORY REFORM

REP. MICHAEL WEBBER

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

10:30 AM

Room 521, House Office
Building

The House Standing Committee on Regulatory Reform was called to order by the Chair Webber.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Webber, Berman, Crawford, Farrington, Frederick, Hoitenga, Filler, Hall, Wendzel, Chirkun, Liberati, Cambensy, Jones, Garza, Robinson.

Absent/Excused: None.

Representative Chirkun moved to adopt the meeting minutes from February 4, 2020. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 661 before the committee:

SB 661

(Sen. Ananich) A bill to amend 1995 PA 279, entitled "Horse racing law of 1995," by amending sections 2, 6a, 8, 9, and 22 (MCL 431.302, 431.306a, 431.308, 431.309, and 431.322), sections 2, 8, 9, and 22 as amended and section 6a as added by 2016 PA 271, and by adding sections 19d and 20a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Senator Ananich testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 5422, HB 5423, HB 5425 and HB 5424 before the committee:

HB 5422

(Rep. Lilly) A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," (MCL 445.571 to 445.576) by adding section 4c.

HB 5423

(Rep. Iden) A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending section 3c (MCL 445.573c), as amended by 1996 PA 384.

HB 5425

(Rep. Sneller) A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 14h of chapter XVII (MCL 777.14h), as amended by 2019 PA 49.

HB 5424

(Rep. Chirkun) A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending section 4 (MCL 445.574), as amended by 1998 PA 473.

Representative Filler moved to refer House Bill No. 5422 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 15-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Webber, Berman, Crawford, Farrington, Frederick, Hoitenga, Filler, Hall, Wendzel, Chirkun, Liberati, Cambensy, Jones, Garza, Robinson.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Hall moved to refer House Bill No. 5423 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 15-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Webber, Berman, Crawford, Farrington, Frederick, Hoitenga, Filler, Hall, Wendzel, Chirkun, Liberati, Cambensy, Jones, Garza, Robinson.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Chirkun moved to refer House Bill No. 5424 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 15-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Webber, Berman, Crawford, Farrington, Frederick, Hoitenga, Filler, Hall, Wendzel, Chirkun, Liberati, Cambensy, Jones, Garza, Robinson.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Liberati moved to refer House Bill No. 5425 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 15-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Webber, Berman, Crawford, Farrington, Frederick, Hoitenga, Filler, Hall, Wendzel, Chirkun, Liberati, Cambensy, Jones, Garza, Robinson.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

At 10:52 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 10:53 AM, with all members present, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Nelson Clemmens, representing AmRace & Sports, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Dan Schafer, representing Sports Creek Raceway, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Jason Uelmen, representing Michigan Horsemen's Benevolent & Protection Association, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Bill Brooks, representing Firekeepers Casino/Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi, testified in opposition of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Dan Leary, representing United States Trotting Association, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Brian Turnbull, representing Mayor, City of Northville, testified in opposition of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Pat Sullivan, representing Manager, City of Northville, testified in opposition of SB 661.

John, Ed and Mike Carlo, representing Northville Downs, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Thomas Barrett, representing Michigan Harness Horseman's Association, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Jacci Woods, representing Motor City Casino Hotel, testified in opposition of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

Louis Theros, representing MGM Grand Detroit, testified in opposition of Questions and discussion followed.

Bruce Dall, representing Motor City Casino, testified in opposition of SB 661.

Patrick Neely, representing Exacta Systems, testified in support of SB 661. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card with a support of SB 661, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

- Brett Boyd, Michigan Association of Fairs
- Gene Chabrier, Xpressbet/TSG

The following people submitted a card with a support of SB 661, but did not wish to speak:

- Ruth Cornwell, representing the St. Joseph County Grange Fair.
- Lisa Reiff, representing the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions.
- Chandler French, representing the Chippewa County Fair.
- John Currie, representing the Mescosta County Fair.
- David Roberts, representing the Fowlerville Fair.
- Claudia Cary, representing the Fowerville Veterinary clinic.
- Frank Marotta Jr., DVM.
- Frank Nickels, DVM, MS, DACVS.
- Cindy Kesler, representing the Grand River Equine Feeds.
- Jean Ligon, representing the Michigan Horse Council.

Tim Roach, representing the Northern Michigan Fair and Racing Association.
Ted Boschma, representing the Saddlewood Horseshoe Supply.
Kevin Kratz, DVM, representing the Sheridan Ridge Veterinary Clinic.
Jeff Beemer, representing the Ed Bock Feeds and Stuff.
Pamela Loomis, DVM.
Libby Myers, representing the Snow Ridge Farm.
Greg West, representing the Greg West Stables.
Rebecca Park, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to SB 661, but did not wish to speak:

Matt Breslin, representing the Greektown.
Sean Reed, representing the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, Soaring Eagle.
Kenneth Cole, representing the City of Detroit.

The following people submitted a card with no position of SB 661, but did not wish to speak:

Dave Murley, representing the Michigan Gaming Control Board.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Michael Webber adjourned the meeting at 12:46 PM.

Representative Michael Webber, Chair

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Date Adopted: February
18, 2020