



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

REP. JACK O'MALLEY

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

10:30 AM

Room 327, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Transportation was called to order by the Chair.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. O'Malley, Eisen, Cole, Sheppard, Alexander, Bellino, Howell, Afendoulis, Sneller, Clemente, Yancey, Haadsma, Shannon.

Absent/Excused: None.

Representative Cole moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 17, 2019. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4228 before the committee:

HB 4228

(Rep. LaFave) A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled "Michigan memorial highway act,"(MCL 250.1001 to 250.2080) by adding section 1086.

Representative LaFave, joined by Michael and Karen Costello, and Jeff and Cheryl Lamont, family of Samuel Costello, all testified in support of HB 4228.

Representative Alexander moved to refer House Bill No. 4228 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 13-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. O'Malley, Eisen, Cole, Sheppard, Alexander, Bellino, Howell, Afendoulis, Sneller, Clemente, Yancey, Haadsma, Shannon.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The following people submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4228, but did not wish to speak:

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The Chair laid HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776 before the committee:

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| HB 4486 | (Rep. Howell) A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 805 (MCL 257.805), as amended by 2013 PA 82. |
| HB 4775 | (Rep. Howell) A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 2045 (MCL 324.2045), as amended by 2013 PA 81. |
| HB 4776 | (Rep. Warren) A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 2001 (MCL 324.2001), as amended by 2010 PA 32. |

Representative Howell testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776. Questions and discussion followed.

Chuck Nelson, representing himself, testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776.

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League, and Connor Spalding, representing the Michigan Restaurant and Lodging Association, both testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776. Questions and discussion followed.

Criag Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, approached to answer questions from committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

Alia Phillips, representing the Michigan League of Conservation Voters, testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776.

Colonel Don Packard, representing the Michigan Horse Council, testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776.

Geoff Hansen, representing himself, testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776. Questions and discussion followed.

Jenita Moore, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, approached to answer questions from committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, approached to answer questions from committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Warren testified in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776.

Jenita Moore, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, approached to answer questions from committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776, but did not wish to speak:

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Townships Association.
Bob Wilson, representing the Michigan Trails and Greenway Alliance.
Clay Summers, representing the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association.
Arnold Weinfeld, representing the MParks Public Policy Committee.
Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.
Thomas Gilpin, representing the Michigan Sierra Club.
Dave Hodgkins, representing Rochester Hills, Michigan.
Dave Hodgkins, representing Orion Township, Michigan.
Nicole Nystrom, representing Quicken Loans.
Ron Bock, representing the Michigan Trails and Greenway Alliance.
Dave Ladd, representing the National Marine Manufacturers Association.
Mark Wallace, representing the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.
Rebecca Rynbrandt, representing the City of Wyoming.
Andrew Schepers, representing Healthy Kids, Healthy Michigan.
Sean Hammond, representing the Michigan Environmental Council.
Amy Trotter, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs.
Michael Spence, representing the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

The following people submitted a card with no position of HB 4486, HB 4775 and HB 4776, but did not wish to speak:

Jenita Moore, representing the Michigan Department of State.

The Chair laid HB 4476 before the committee:

HB 4476	(Rep. Eisen) A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor
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vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 11c (MCL 247.661c), as amended by 2015 PA 182.

Representative Eisen, joined by Kirk Weston and Bill Hazelton, both representing the St. Clair County Road Commission, testified in support of HB 4776. Questions and discussion followed.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association of Michigan, testified in support of HB 4776.

Tim Greimel, representing American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Council 25, testified in support of HB 4776.

Mike Nystrom and Lance Binoniemi, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, testified in opposition of HB 4776.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4476, but did not wish to speak:

Dennis Kolar, representing the Road Commission for Oakland County.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4476, but did not wish to speak:

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Monica Ackerson, representing the Michigan Road Preservation Association.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Jack O'Malley adjourned the meeting at 11:53 AM.

Representative Jack O'Malley, Chair

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