



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

REP. JOE BELLINO

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

9:00 AM

Room 519, House Office Building

The House Committee on Energy was called to order by Chair Bellino.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Bellino, Markkanen, Hoitenga, Reilly, Berman, Paquette, Beeler, Martin, Outman, Roth, Manoogian, Cherry, Haadsma, Morse, Puri, Scott.

Absent: Rep. Sneller.

Excused: Rep. Sneller.

Representative Berman joined the committee remotely.

Representative Cherry moved to adopt the meeting minutes from March 23, 2022. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 6019 before the committee:

HB 6019 (Rep. Filler)

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to

abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 460.1 to 460.11) by adding section 10hh.

Representative Filler testified in support of HB 6019. Questions and discussion followed.

Mark Nichol, representing New Reactors on behalf of the Nuclear Energy Institute, testified in support of HB 6019. Questions and discussion followed.

Larry Crittenden, Energy Consultant, representing himself, testified in support of HB 6019. Questions and discussion followed.

Ed Rivet, representing the Michigan Conservative Energy Forum, testified in support of HB 6019. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 6019, but did not wish to speak:

Gary Melow, representing Michigan Biomass.

Mike O'Brien, representing the Indiana Michigan Power Company.

Jon Byrd, representing the Michigan Laborers Union.

Michael Alaimo, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 6019, but did not wish to speak:

Tim Minotas, representing the Sierra Club.

Representative Manoogian moved to excuse Representative Sneller from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Bellino adjourned the meeting at 9:56 AM.

Representative Joe Bellino, Chair

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