



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

REP. MIKE MUELLER

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

12:00 PM

Room 308, House Office Building

The House Committee on Government Operations was called to order by Chair Mueller.

At 12:00 PM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 12:04 PM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Cherry moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 19, 2022. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4596 before the committee:

HB 4596 (Rep. Peterson)

A bill to designate the official native grain of this state.

Representative Peterson and Joe Taylor, from Representative Peterson's office, testified in support of HB 4596. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4596, but did not wish to speak:

Whitney Gravelle, representing the Bay Mills Indian Community.

Brendan Ringlever, representing the Notawasseppi Band of Potawatomi.

Naomi Ludman, Ph.D., Chair of Cass County Democratic Party.

Mark Bignell.

Richard P. Tucker.

Camomilia Bright.

Dr. Nichole Biber.

Maxime Groen.

Barb Barton.

Nat Spurr, Vice Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party Anishinaabek Caucus.
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At 12:11 PM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 12:12 PM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

The Chair laid HB 5244, HB 6215 and HB 6128 before the committee:

HB 5244 (Rep. Fink)

A bill to repeal 2020 PA 238, entitled "An act to prohibit an employer from taking certain actions against an employee who does not report to work under certain circumstances related to COVID-19; to prohibit an employee from reporting to work under certain circumstances related to COVID-19; to prohibit discrimination and retaliation for engaging in certain activities; and to provide remedies," (MCL 419.401 to 419.413).

HB 6215 (Rep. Filler)

A bill to amend 2020 PA 236, entitled "COVID-19 response and reopening liability assurance act," by amending section 10 (MCL 691.1460).

HB 6128 (Rep. Rabhi)

A bill to amend 1974 PA 154, entitled "Michigan occupational safety and health act," by repealing sections 85 and 85a (MCL 408.1085 and 408.1085a).

The Chair made remarks pertaining the the package of bills and proposed changes.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5244, HB 6215 and HB 6128, but did not wish to speak:

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Amanda Fisher, representing the NFIB.

Alexa Kramer, representing the SBAM.

David Worthams, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5244, but did not wish to speak:

Mike VanBeek, representing the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

Chairman Mueller moved to withdrawn substitute (H-1) to HB 5244. The motion prevailed without objection.

With the withdrawal of substitute (H-1) to HB 5244, Representative Rabhi's proposed amendment falls.

Representative Cherry moved to withdrawn substitute (H-2) to HB 5244. The motion prevailed without objection.

Representative Hauck moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to HB 5244. The motion prevailed 5-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

At 12:16 PM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 12:17 PM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Representative Hauck moved to report out HB 5244 with recommendation, as substitute (H-3). The motion prevailed 4-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry.

Nays: Rep. Rabhi.

Pass: None.

Representative VanWoerkom moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 6215. The motion prevailed 5-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative VanWoerkom moved to report out HB 6215 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 5-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Rabhi moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 6128. The motion prevailed 5-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Rabhi moved to report out HB 6128 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 5-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Mueller, VanWoerkom, Hauck, Cherry, Rabhi.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Mueller adjourned the meeting at 12:19 PM.

Representative Mike Mueller, Chair

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