



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

REP. ANGELA WITWER

CHAIR

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 11, 2023                      9:00 AM                      Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building

The House Committee on Appropriations was called to order by Chair Witwer.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson, Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Absent: Rep. Weiss.

Excused: Rep. Weiss.

Representative O'Neal moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 20, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

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

The Chair laid SB 331 before the committee:

SB 331     (Sen. Hertel)

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 9o, 19, and 30 (MCL 211.9o, 211.19, and 211.30), section 9o as amended by 2021 PA 150, section 19 as amended by 2017 PA 261, and section 30 as amended by 2013 PA 153.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, joined by Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Municipal League, both testified in support of SB 331. Questions and

discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 331, but did not wish to speak:

Rob Moss, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Amanda Fisher, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.

At 9:14 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 9:24 AM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Representative Lightner offered the following amendments to SB 331:

1. Amend page 5, line 24, after the first "of" by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".
2. Amend page 6, line 2, by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".
3. Amend page 6, line 6, after "of" by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".
4. Amend page 6, line 28, after "**of**" by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".
5. Amend page 7, line 6, after the first "**of**" by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".
6. Amend page 7, line 11, by striking out "**1.25%**" and inserting "1%".

Representative Lightner moved to adopt the amendments to SB 331. The motion did not prevail  
12-16-0:

#### UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Nays: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson.

Pass: None.

Representative Mentzer moved to report out SB 331 with recommendation. The motion prevailed  
20-3-5:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson, Green, Borton, Cavitt, Steele.

Nays: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Schuette.

Pass: Reps. Slagh, Beson, Fink, DeBoer, Kuhn.

The Chair laid SB 507 before the committee:

SB 507 (Sen. Anthony)

A bill to amend 1964 PA 284, entitled "City income tax act," by amending sections 6 and 9 of chapter 1 and sections 3, 73, 84, 85, 86a, 86b, 86c, 91, 92, and 93 of chapter 2 (MCL 141.506, 141.509, 141.603, 141.673, 141.684, 141.685, 141.686a, 141.686b, 141.686c, 141.691, 141.692, and 141.693), section 6 of chapter 1 as amended

and sections 86a, 86b, and 86c of chapter 2 as added by 2018 PA 456 and section 9 of chapter 1 as added and sections 3, 73, 84, 85, 92, and 93 of chapter 2 as amended by 1996 PA 478, and by adding section 92a to chapter 2.

Representative Morse moved to report out SB 507 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 16-12-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson.

Nays: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Pass: None.

The following person submitted a card in support of SB 507, but did not wish to speak:  
Rob Moss, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to SB 507, but did not wish to speak  
Tom Langholz, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.

The Chair laid SB 511 before the committee:

SB 511 (Sen. McCann)

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled "The public school employees retirement act of 1979," by amending section 41 (MCL 38.1341), as amended by 2022 PA 220.

Representative Martus moved to report out SB 511 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 18-1-9:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson, Slagh, DeBoer.

Nays: Rep. Steele.

Pass: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, Kuhn, Schuette.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 511, but did not wish to speak:  
Fred Schaible, representing Western Michigan University.  
Deanna Hemmila, representing Northern Michigan University.  
Chad Wing, representing Eastern Michigan University.  
Dan Eichinger, representing Ferris State University.  
Megan Morris, representing Central Michigan University.  
Bill Kordenbrock, representing Michigan Technological University.

The Chair laid SB 508 before the committee:

SB 508	(Sen. Hertel)	A bill to amend 2003 PA 198, entitled "Farm produce insurance act," by amending section 7 (MCL 285.317), as amended by 2016 PA 264.
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Representative Snyder moved to report out SB 508 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 16-12-0:

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson.

Nays: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 506 before the committee:

SB 506	(Sen. Klinefelt)	A bill to amend 2000 PA 92, entitled "Food law," by amending sections 3119, 4103, and 4117 (MCL 289.3119, 289.4103, and 289.4117), sections 3119 and 4103 as amended by 2018 PA 92 and section 4117 as amended by 2012 PA 178.
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Representative Steckloff moved to report out SB 506 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 16-12-0:

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson.

Nays: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 510 before the committee:

SB 510	(Sen. Cavanagh)	A bill to amend 1939 PA 141, entitled "Grain dealers act," by amending section 6 (MCL 285.66), as amended by 2002 PA 80.
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Representative Skaggs moved to report out SB 510 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 16-12-0:

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Witwer, O'Neal, Brixie, Hood, Brabec, Morse, Puri, Steckloff, Martus, McKinney, Mentzer, Morgan, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Wilson.

Nays: Reps. Lightner, Bollin, Green, Slagh, Beson, Borton, Fink, Cavitt, DeBoer, Kuhn, Schuette, Steele.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Witwer adjourned the meeting at 9:32 AM.

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Representative Angela Witwer, Chair

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