



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

REP. GARY HOWELL

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

12:00 PM

Room 326, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation was called to order by the Chair.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy, Pohutsky.

Absent/Excused: None.

Representative Eisen moved to adopt the minutes from the April 9th, 2019 meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4227 before the committee:

HB 4227

(Rep. Cambensy)

A bill to create a committee on Michigan's mining future; to provide for the powers and duties of certain governmental officers and agencies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Representative Sara Cambensy testified in support of HB 4227. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in neutral of HB 4227, but did not wish to speak:

Thomas Gilpin, MI Sierra Club

Sean Hammond, MI Environmental Council

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4227, but did not wish to speak:

Ryan Stern, representing Sheet Metal Workers Local Union No. 7 Zone 5.
Tony Retaskie, representing the U.P. Construction Council.
Gerald Corkin, representing the Marquette County Board of Commissioners.
Joseph Boogren, representing Forsyth Township.
Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufactures Association (MMA).
Doug Needham, representing the Michigan Aggregate Association.
Dean Gutzman, representing the U.P. Plumbers, Pipefitters Local #111.
Stephanie Glidden, representing the AFL-CIO.
Lisa Canada, representing the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters.
Nicole Nystrom, representing the Highland Copper.
Nicole Nystrom, representing the Aquila.
Tom Hogan, representing the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 906.
Brian Kerrigan, representing the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters & Millwrights Local 1510.
Matt Kurta, representing the City of Marquette.
Nate Heffron, representing the Nequanee City Council.
Michael Gregory, representing the U.P. Regional Labor Federation.
Roger Crimmins, representing A. Lindberg & Sons.
Jonathan Byrd, representing the Michigan Laborers.
Jeremy Garza, representing the Michigan Pipe Trades Association.
Patrick Blooms, representing the Cleveland Cliffs.

The following people submitted a card in opposition of HB 4227, but did not wish to speak:

Sean McBreardy, representing the Clean Water Action.

Representative Sowerby moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 4227. The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy, Pohutsky.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Sowerby offered the following amendment to HB 4227 (H-2):

1. Amend page 2, line 13, by striking out all of subparagraph (vii) and inserting:
“(vii) A member representing a municipality in this state where a ferrous, metallic nonferrous ,or aggregate mining operation is located.”.

Representative Sowerby explained the amendment.

Representative Sowerby moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4227 (H-2). The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy, Pohutsky.
Nays: None.
Pass: None.

Representative Pohutsky offered the following amendment to HB 4227 (H-2):

1. Amend page 2, line 14, by striking out all of subparagraph (viii) and inserting:
(viii) A resident of this state who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe that has trust lands in this state..

Representative Pohutsky moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4227 (H-2). The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy, Pohutsky.
Nays: None.
Pass: None.

Representative Wakeman moved to refer House Bill No. 4227 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation as substitute (H-3). The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy, Pohutsky.
Nays: None.
Pass: None.

Wes Windover, representing the Michigan Association of Timbermen, gave a presentation. Questions and discussion followed.

Scott Robbins, representing the Michigan Forest Products Council, gave a presentation. Questions and discussion followed.

Gary Melow, representing the Michigan Biomass, gave a presentation. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Gary Howell adjourned the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Representative Gary Howell, Chair

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