

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Judiciary Rep. Kelly A Breen Chair

## **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 5, 2024 10:30 AM Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Judiciary was called to order by Chair Breen.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Breen, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Dievendorf, Hoskins, Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen. Absent: Reps. Edwards, Arbit. Excused: Reps. Edwards, Arbit.

Representative Tyrone Carter moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 22, 2024. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5110 before the committee:

HB 5110 (Rep. Wozniak) An act to allow certain fiduciaries to convert income trusts to unitrusts, convert express unitrusts to income trusts, and change the percentage or method used to calculate unitrust amounts.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 5110, but did not wish to speak:

Ashley Steffen, representing the Michigan Department of Attorney General.

Representative Hope moved to report out HB 5110 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 11-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Breen, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Dievendorf, Hoskins, Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen. Nays: None. Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 5724 before the committee:

HB 5724 (Rep. Breen)

A bill to protect the safety of judges and certain other individuals; to protect certain information of judges and certain other individuals from disclosure; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and certain other people and entities; and to provide remedies.

Chair Breen testified in support of HB 5724.

Judge David McKeague, representing the U.S. Court of Appeals - Sixth Circuit, testified in support of HB 5724.

Judge Esther Salas, representing the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, testified in support of HB 5724. Questions and discussion followed.

Chief Justice Elizabeth Clement, representing the Michigan Supreme Court, testified in support of HB 5724. Questions and discussion followed.

Chief Judge Brock Swartzle, representing the Michigan Court of Claims and the Michigan Court of Appeals, testified in support of HB 5724. Questions and discussion followed.

Judge Kathleen McCarthy, representing the Wayne County Circuit Court, testified in support of HB 5724. Questions and discussion followed.

Dan Quick, President of the State Bar of Michigan, testified in support of HB 5724.

Katie Albosta Kelly and Karen Hahn, both representing the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, Inc., testified together with a neutral position on HB 5724. Questions and discussion followed.

Shannon Tanis, representing herself, testified in opposition to HB 5724.

Tom Howe, representing himself, testified in opposition to HB 5724.

At 11:39 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 11:41 AM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 5724, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

Jody White, representing herself.

The following person submitted a card with no position on HB 5724, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

Peter DeFilippis, representing himself.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5724, but did not wish to speak:

John Fournier, representing the City of Ann Arbor.

Chief Judge Sean F. Cox, representing the U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Michigan.

Chief Judge Hala Y. Jarbou, representing the U.S. District Court - Western District of Michigan.

Judge Mike Carpenter, President of the Michigan District Judges Association. Judge Martha M. Snow, representing herself.

Monica Martinez, representing the Michigan Judges Association.

Stephanie Johnson, representing the Family Law Section, State Bar of Michigan. James Ryan, representing the Michigan Probate Judges Association.

Representative Dievendorf moved to excuse Representatives Edwards and Arbit from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Breen adjourned the meeting at 11:43 AM.

Representative Kelly Breen, Chair

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