



## THE SENATE

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## MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Transportation held a meeting on Tuesday, January 31, 2012, at 12:30 p.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building. Senator Casperson called the meeting to order at 12:39 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Casperson (C), Kowall, Brandenburg, Pavlov, Hansen, Gleason, and Hood

Absent: None

Excused: None

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Senator Casperson announced the following order of business:

- Adoption of January 24, 2012, minutes
- HB 4754 Rep. Foster Transportation; railroads; sale of certain state-owned rail lines; prohibit.

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Senator Casperson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Casperson requested a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 24, 2012, committee meeting. Senator Kowall offered the motion; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be House Bill 4754, sponsored by Representative Foster.

Testimony had been taken the previous week and a number of questions had been asked. Additional testimony was offered by the following:

- Jason Puscas, Office of Representative Foster, SUPPORT
- Dan Ralley, City of Petosky, SUPPORT
- Kelly Bartlett, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), SUPPORT
- Deb Brown, MDOT, SUPPORT

Senator Casperson offered an amendment to the bill which was discussed during the testimony offered by MDOT.

Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the amendment to House Bill 4754.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Brandenburg, Pavlov, Hansen, Gleason, and Hood

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hansen made a motion to report House Bill 4754 as amended with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Brandenburg, Pavlov, Hansen, Gleason, and Hood

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect. Being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson asked that the Legislative Service Bureau prepare a clean substitute to include the changes approved by the committee.

Being no further business, Senator Casperson adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m., without objection.

**Date Adopted by Committee: February 7, 2012**

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.