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MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Transportation held a meeting on Tuesday, September 25, 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, and Hood

Absent: None

Excused: Senator Gleason

Senator Casperson announced the following order of business:

- Adoption of September 11, 2012 minutes
- HB 5668 Rep. Jacobsen Vehicles; title; requirement for possession by dealer acquiring vehicle for resale; modify, and make general revisions to title transfer provision.
- HB 5391 Rep. Huuki Transportation; other; fingerprinting of applicants or licensees in public transit system; allow.
- SB 1020 Sen. Casperson Natural resources; other; operation of off-road vehicles on certain state highways; allow county board to authorize.
- SB 1188 Sen. Hune Vehicles; other; provision regarding public sale of certain vehicles; revise requirement for towing firm to obtain title for transfer.
- SB 1091 Sen. Kowall Mobile homes; title; duplicate title for mobile home; require certification and information to verify the identity of individual submitting electronic request.
- SB 1241 Sen. Proos Traffic control; civil infraction procedures; provision regarding waiver of fine for violation of infant seat requirements; eliminate.

- SB 968 Sen. Proos Traffic control; traffic regulation; fine for violation of weight restrictions; make imposition of fine permissive.
 - Presentation regarding License Plate Reissuance by the 3M Company.
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Senator Casperson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Kowall made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2012 meeting; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be House Bill 5668.

Testimony had been taken at the previous meeting. Matt Blinkilde, policy analyst with the Senate Majority Policy Office, gave an overview of the changes in the S-1 version.

The following individual submitted a card on the bill but did not wish to speak.

- James Ryan, MI Independent Auto Dealers—Support

Being no further testimony, Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the Casperson amendment to the S-1 version of House Bill 5668.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of House Bill 5668 as amended.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report the S-1 version of House Bill 5668 as amended with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be House Bill 5391.

Joy Brewer, Legislative Aide for Representative Huuki, gave members a brief overview of the bill and the changes in the S-1 version before them.

The following individuals gave testimony regarding the bill:

- Sgt. Dwayne Gill, MI State Police—Support

The following individual submitted a card on the bill but did not wish to speak.

- Dusty Fancher, MI Public Transit Association—Support

Being no further testimony, Senator Brandenburg made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of House Bill 5391.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hansen made a motion to report the S-1 version of House Bill 5391 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 1020 and welcomed the individuals who were participating via teleconference from Hancock, Michigan.

Senator Casperson gave members an overview of the bill.

The following individuals gave testimony regarding the bill:

- Skip Schulz, MI Trails and Recreation Alliance of Land and the Environment —Support
- Tony Harry, Marquette Off Road Vehicle Club—Support
- Thomas Dunn, Off Road Advisory Workgroup—Support
- Dick Ranney, MI Motorized Recreational Council—Support

The following individual submitted a card on the bill but did not wish to speak.

- Ed Noyola, County Road Association of MI—Neutral
- Kelly Bartlett, MI Department of Transportation—Neutral
- Kent Wood, MI United Conservation Club—Support
- Patrick Brower, Great Lakes Four Wheel Drive Association—Support
- Steve Currie, MI Association of Counties—Support

The Chair advised members that there would not be a vote taken on Senate Bill 1020 at this meeting.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 968.

Senator Proos came forward and explained the bill to the committee. There was an S-1 version before the members; a conflict substitute.

The following individuals gave testimony regarding the bill:

- Steve Doak, Berrien County Magistrate—Support
- William Giorgis, MI Towing Association—Support

Senator Casperson advised members they would not be voting on the bill at this meeting.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 1241.

Senator Proos came forward and explained the bill to the committee.

The following individuals gave testimony regarding the bill:

- Steve Doak, Berrien County Magistrate—Support

The following individual submitted a card on the bill but did not wish to speak.

- Amy Zaagman, MI Council for Maternal and Child Health—Support

Being no further testimony, Senator Brandenburg made a motion to report Senate Bill 1241 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 1188.

Sam Champagne, Legislative Aide to Senator Hune gave members an overview of the bill.

The following individuals gave testimony regarding the bill:

- William Giorgis, MI Towing Association—Support

The following individual submitted a card on the bill but did not wish to speak.

- Chris Hackbarth and Mike Batterbee, MI Secretary of State—Neutral

Being no further testimony, Senator Kowall made a motion to report Senate Bill 1188 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Casperson announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 1091.

Testimony had been taken at the previous meeting. Senator Kowall gave additional comments on the bill.

The following individual gave testimony concerning the bill, their position follows:

- Kit Murphy, MI Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs—Support
- Bill Sheffer, MI Manufactured Housing Association—Neutral

Being no further testimony, Senator Hansen made a motion to report Senate Bill 1091 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Casperson offered a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Gerarda Tobin, representing 3M gave members a presentation on the issue of license plate re-issuance.

Being no further testimony, Senator Casperson adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m., without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: October 17, 2012

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