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MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Transportation held a meeting on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

Senator Casperson called the meeting to order at 12:37 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

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

Absent: None

Excused: Senators Brandenburg, and Hood

Senator Casperson announced the following order of business:

- Adoption of October 17, 2012 minutes
- SB 1020 (Casperson) Natural resources; other; operation of off-road vehicles on certain state highways; allow county board to authorize.
- HB 5301 (Price) Transportation; funds; conditions to receive funding from Michigan transportation fund; modify.
- HB 5302 (Schmidt) Transportation; funds; local road agencies; require adoption of best practices and asset management standards as a condition of receiving funds.
- HB 5313 (Jacobsen) Transportation; funds; conditions to receive funding from Michigan transportation fund; modify.
- SB 968 (Proos) Traffic control; traffic regulation; fine for violation of weight restrictions; make imposition of fine permissive.

Presentation by Engineered Machine Products regarding mass transit operational efficiencies.

At the time roll was called the following members were present: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Pavlov, and Hansen.

Senator Casperson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Kowall made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2012 meeting; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Gleason made a motion to excuse absent members; being no objection, the motion carried.

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

Senator Proos gave members an overview of the bill and advised members there was an S-2 before them.

The following individual offered testimony on SB 968:

- Mike Nystrom, MI Infrastructure and Transportation Association—Support

The following individual submitted a testimony card indicating their position but did not wish to speak:

- Ed Noyola, County Road Association of MI—Support

Being no further testimony, Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the S-2 version of Senate Bill 968.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Pavlov, and Hansen

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov made a motion to report the S-2 version of Senate Bill 968 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Pavlov, and Hansen

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.

Senator Casperson gave members an overview of the bill and advised members there was an S-1 before them.

Kendra Everett, Legislative Aide for Senator Casperson, gave members an overview of the changes in the S-1.

The following individual offered testimony on SB 1020:

- Dick Ranny, MI Motorized Recreational Council

The following individuals submitted a testimony card indicating their position but did not wish to speak:

- Ed Noyola, County Road Association of MI—Support
- Trevor VanDyke, MI Department of Natural Resources—will continue to work with sponsor to address issues
- Jon Cool, MI Department of Transportation—in agreement and working on changes to current draft
- Lewis Shuler, The Cycle Conservation Club of MI—Support

- Patrick Brower, Great Lakes Four-Wheel Drive Association—Support
- Steve Currie, MI Association of Counties—Support
- Amy Trotter, MI United Conservation Clubs—Support in concept

Being no further testimony, Senator Hansen made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of Senate Bill 1020.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Pavlov, and Hansen

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report the S-1 version of Senate Bill 1020 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Pavlov, and Hansen

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 Bills 5301, 5302, and 5313.

Representative Jacobsen gave members an overview of the bills.

The Chair advised members there was an S-1 for each of the bills before the members.

Matt Blinkilde, with the Senate Majority Policy Office, gave members an overview of the changes in the substitutes and discussed the Casperson amendment to HB 5302 S-1.

Senator Gleason entered the room.

The following individuals offered testimony on SB 1020:

- Ed Noyola, County Road Association of MI—Support
- Nikki Brown, MI Municipal League—Oppose HB 5302 only

The following individuals submitted a testimony card indicating their position but did not wish to speak:

- Ellen Hoekstra, MI Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems—Neutral
- Stephanie Johnson, International Union of Operating Engineers local 324—Support
- Steve Currie, MI Association of Counties—Support
- Ron Brenke, American Council of Engineering Companies—Support

Being no further testimony, Senator Hansen made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of House Bill 5301.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report the S-1 version of House Bill 5301 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the Casperson amendment to the S-1 version of House Bill 5302.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hansen made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of House Bill 5302 as amended.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report the S-1 version of House Bill 5302 as amended with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Casperson requested a clean substitute from the Legislative Service Bureau.

Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the S-1 version of House Bill 5313.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov made a motion to report the S-1 version of House Bill 5313 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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

The following individuals gave a presentation to members regarding mass transit operational efficiencies:

- Ralph Bedogne and Paul Harvey, Engineered Machine Products, Inc.
- Timothy Rudolph, Midwest Bus Corporation

- Lynn McLean, Mass Transportation Authority—Flint

Senator Casperson adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m., without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: December 4, 2012

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