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Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes
Minutes

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes was held Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

Members present: Senators Casperson, Pavlov, Green, Kowall, Warren, Hood

Members excused: Senator Meekhof

Senator Casperson called the meeting to order and led committee and audience members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Casperson welcomed those in attendance in Lansing as well as those attending the meeting via video-conferencing from the Upper Peninsula.

Senator Casperson announced the order of business for the day:

- SB 50 (Casperson)--_Natural resources; other; operation of off-road vehicles on certain state highways; provide for.

Senator Casperson placed before the committee Senate Bill 50 (Sen. Casperson) for testimony only.

The following people testified on Senate Bill 50 and answered questions from committee members:

- Trevor VanDyke, Department of Natural Resources—Working with sponsor
- Dick Ranney, American Motorcyclist Association District 14/Michigan Motorized Recreation Council—Support
- Don McLean, Chippewa County Commissioner—Support
- Goerge Kinsala, Chippewa County Commissioner—Support
- Skip Schulz, citizen—Support

Senators Green and Warren entered the committee room at 8:35 a.m.

Senators Pavlov and Hood entered the committee room at 8:38 a.m.

Senator Pavlov moved to adopt the minutes from May 21, 2013 with unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Warren moved to excuse absent members. Without objection, absent members were excused.

Senator Green left the committee room at 9:05 a.m.

The following people submitted cards, but did not testify, on Senate Bill 50:

- Troy Hagon, Michigan Department of Transportation—Working with sponsor and MDNR

There being no further business before the committee, Senator Casperson adjourned the committee without objection at 9:09 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: June 6, 2013

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