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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Transportation held a meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

Senator Casperson called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

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

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Casperson announced the following order of business:

Adopt the minutes of the June 10, 2014 committee meeting

HB 5072 Rep. Pettalia Highways; name; designation of Michigan heritage routes; change to Pure Michigan byways.

HB 5438 Rep. Brown Vehicles; driver training; training to enhance motorcycle and bicycle awareness; provide for.

SB 281 Sen. Green Highways; bridges; movable bridge fund; create, and require oversight of publicly owned movable bridges by department of transportation.

Senator Casperson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Casperson announced Senate Bill 281 was the next order of business. Senator Green invited

Representative Brunner to join him in giving members a brief overview of the bill.

The following individuals testified before the committee to share their position on SB 281:

- Lynn Stamiris, Bay City Commission—Support

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on SB 281 but did not wish to speak:

- Angela Stempky, Michigan Department of Transportation—Neutral

Chair Casperson advised members the bill would be held over for a vote at a future meeting.

Senator Casperson announced House Bill 5438 was the next order of business. Representative Brown gave members a brief overview of the bill.

The following individuals testified before the committee to share their position on HB 5438:

- Lisa Cook-Gordon, Tammy Bower, Ruth O'Mally, family and friends of Nathan Bower –Support
- Vince Consiglio, ABATE of Michigan—Support
- John Lindenmayer, League of Michigan Bicyclists—Support
- David Richmond, Secretary of State, Neutral
- David & Brandon Semrau, Courtesy Driving School—Oppose as amended in the House
- Marie James, All-Safe Drivers Ed, Oppose as amended in the House
- John Waterman, James Klemolic, Shawn Kohsmann, Conor Waterman, Programs to Educate all Cyclists—Support

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on HB 5438 but did not wish to speak:

- John LaMacchia, Michigan Municipal League—Support
- Julie Powers, Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council—Support
- Liz Treutel, Michigan Environmental Council—Support
- Laurel Burchfield, Transportation for Michigan—Support
- Nancy Krupiarz, Michigan Trails and Greenways—Support
- Laura M. Papenhagen, MTAC Non-motorized sub-committee—Support
- Brindley Byrd, Michigan Mountain Bike Association—Support
- Mike Maisner, Healthy Kids, Healthy Michigan Coalition & Michigan Fitness Foundation—Support

Chair Casperson advised members the bill would be held over for a vote at a future meeting.

Senator Casperson announced House Bill 5072 was the next order of business. Gabe Basso spoke on behalf of Representative Pettalia to give members a brief overview of the bill.

Chair Casperson advised members the bill would be held over for a vote at a future meeting.

Senator Kowall made a motion to adopt the minutes from the June 10, 2014 meeting; being no objection, the motion carried.

Being no further business, Senator Casperson adjourned the meeting at 2:01 p.m., without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: September 30, 2014

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