



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### COMMITTEE ON TAX POLICY

REP. CYNTHIA NEELEY

CHAIR

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

12:00 PM

Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by Chair Neeley.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdell, Hoadley.

Absent: Rep. Whitsett.

Excused: Rep. Whitsett.

Representative Farhat moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 10, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4068 before the committee:

HB 4068 (Rep. Hood)

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 253.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4068, but did not wish to speak:

Amanda West, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Representative Farhat moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4068. The motion prevailed 11-0-0:

### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdell, Hoadley.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Price moved to report out HB 4068 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1).

The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Outman, Tisdell, Hoadley.

Nays: Rep. Markkanen.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 4317 and HB 4318 before the committee:

HB 4317 (Rep. VanderWall)	A bill to provide for the establishment of solar energy districts in certain local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners or lessees of certain qualified facilities; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officials.
HB 4318 (Rep. Neeley)	A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 9 and 9f (MCL 211.9 and 211.9f), section 9 as amended by 2011 PA 290 and section 9f as amended by 2017 PA 261.

At 12:06 PM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 12:07 PM, Majority Vice Chair Farhat called the committee back to order.

Representative Vanderwall and Representative Neeley testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

At 12:11 PM, Majority Vice Chair Farhat laid the committee at ease.

At 12:11 PM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Amanda Stallings, representing National Grid Renewables, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Ed Rivet, representing the Michigan Conservative Energy Forum, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Brian VanBlarcom, representing Consumers Energy, and Sarah Hutton, representing DTE Energy, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Laura Sherman, representing Michigan Energy Innovation, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318.

Representative Tisdell, on behalf of The Principle Caucus, testified in opposition to HB 4317 and HB 4318.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified with a neutral position on HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Herasanna Richards, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified with a neutral position on HB 4317 and HB 4318.

Mike Alaimo, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318.

Amanda West, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4317 and HB 4318, but did not wish to speak:

Peder Mewis, representing the Clean Grid Alliance.

Erika Kowall, representing the American Clean Power Association.

Eric Stocker, representing AES Clean Energy.

Chris Semrinec, representing the Michigan League of Conservation Voters.

Carlee Knott, representing the Michigan Environmental Council.

Representative Grant moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4317. The motion prevailed 10-0-1:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Outman, Tisdell, Hoadley.

Nays: None.

Pass: Rep. Markkanen.

Representative Brenda Carter moved to excuse Representative Whitsett from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Neeley adjourned the meeting at 1:21 PM.

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Representative Cynthia Neeley, Chair

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