



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

REP. JULIE ALEXANDER

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

10:30 AM

Room 326, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Agriculture was called to order by Chair Alexander.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, LaFave, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Absent/Excused: None.

Representative LaFave moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 18, 2019. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 174, SB 179, SB 180, SB 181, SB 182, SB 183 and SB 361 before the committee:

SB 174

(Sen. Daley) A bill to amend 1988 PA 466, entitled "Animal industry act," by amending the title and sections 1, 3, 7, 9, 11b, 12, 14, 19, 20, 22, 31, 39, 40, 43, 44, and 46 (MCL 287.701, 287.703, 287.707, 287.709, 287.711b, 287.712, 287.714, 287.719, 287.720, 287.722, 287.731, 287.739, 287.740, 287.743, 287.744, and 287.746), the title and section 43 as amended by 1996 PA 369, sections 1, 20, 39, and 40 as amended by 2000 PA 323, sections 3, 9, 11b, 14, 19, 22, and 44 as amended by 2002 PA 458, section 7 as amended by 1994 PA 41, sections 12 and 31 as amended by 2003 PA 271, section 43 as amended by 1996 PA 369, and section 46 as added by 2009 PA 117, and by adding sections

3a, 3b, 12a, 12b, 14a, 17b, 17c, 17d, 40a, 40b, and 43a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

- SB 179 (Sen. Victory) A bill to amend 1965 PA 232, entitled "Agricultural commodities marketing act," by amending section 2 (MCL 290.652), as amended by 2002 PA 601.
- SB 180 (Sen. Lauwers) A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 12m of chapter XVII (MCL 777.12m), as amended by 2015 PA 213.
- SB 181 (Sen. Lauwers) A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 50 (MCL 750.50), as amended by 2018 PA 452.
- SB 182 (Sen. McBroom) A bill to amend 2012 PA 487, entitled "Wildlife depredations indemnification act," by amending section 2 (MCL 285.362).
- SB 183 (Sen. McBroom) A bill to amend 2000 PA 246, entitled "Wolf-dog cross act," by amending section 2 (MCL 287.1002), as amended by 2016 PA 299.
- SB 361 (Sen. Ananich) A bill to amend 2011 PA 256, entitled "Michigan fireworks safety act," by amending section 12 (MCL 28.462), as amended by 2018 PA 634.

Senator Daley testified in support of SB 174, SB 179, SB 180, SB 181, SB 182, SB 183 and SB 361.

Allison Brink and Bill Patmos, representing Michigan Allied Poultry Industries Incorporated, testified in support of SB 174. Questions and discussion followed.

Nathan Kark and Dr. James Averill, representing the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, testified with a neutral position on SB 174, SB 179, SB 180, SB 181, SB 182, SB 183 and SB 361. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative LaFave offered the following amendments to SB 174:

1. Amend page 54, line 2, after "**accreditation**" by striking out "**program or**" and inserting "**program**".
2. Amend page 54, line 4, after "**requirements**" by inserting a comma and "**or a privately owned cervid operation that is located in an accredited bovine tuberculosis free zone as assigned by the United States Department of Agriculture**".

Representative LaFave spoke to the proposed amendments.

Representative LaFave moved to adopt the amendments to SB 174. The motion did not prevail 1-10-0:

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Rep. LaFave.

Nays: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Pass: None.

Representative LaFave offered the following amendment to SB 174:

1. Amend page 82, line 2, after "**than**" by striking out "**3.00**" and inserting "**1,000,000**".

Representative LaFave spoke to his proposed amendment.

Representative LaFave moved to adopt the amendment to SB 174. The motion did not prevail 1-10-0:

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Rep. LaFave.

Nays: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Pass: None.

Representative LaFave offered the following amendments to SB 174:

1. Amend page 77, line 28, by striking out all of subdivision **(a)** and relettering the remaining subdivisions.
2. Amend page 80, line 6, by striking out all of subdivision **(n)** and relettering the remaining subdivisions.
3. Amend page 81, line 24, by striking out all of subsections **(4)** and **(5)** and renumbering the remaining subsections.
4. Amend page 82, line 18, by striking out all of subsection **(7)** and renumbering the remaining subsections.
5. Amend page 83, line 2, after "hens" by striking out "**or shell eggs**".

Representative LaFave spoke to the proposed amendments.

Representative LaFave moved to adopt the amendments to SB 174. The motion did not prevail 1-10-0:

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Rep. LaFave.

Nays: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Pass: None.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 174, but did not wish to speak:

Jim Byrum, representing the Michigan Agri-Business Association.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to SB 174, but did not wish to speak:

Molly Tamulevich, representing the Humane Society of Michigan.

Bee Friedlander, representing the Attorneys for Animals.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 174, SB 179, SB 180, SB 181, SB 182, SB 183 and SB 361, but did not wish to speak:

Rebecca Park, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau.

At 11:36 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 11:37 AM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Representative Alexander moved to refer Senate Bill No. 174 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

Representative Meerman moved to refer Senate Bill No. 179 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

Representative Wendzel moved to refer Senate Bill No. 181 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

Representative Elder moved to refer Senate Bill No. 182 to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

Representative Garza moved to refer Senate Bill No. 180 to the committee on Ways and Means.
The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

Representative LaFave moved to refer Senate Bill No. 183 to the committee on Ways and Means.
The motion prevailed 11-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, LaFave, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Garza moved to refer Senate Bill No. 361 to the committee on Ways and Means.
The motion prevailed 10-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Alexander, Meerman, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, Cynthia Johnson, Witwer.

Nays: Rep. LaFave.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Julie Alexander adjourned the meeting at 11:41 AM.

Representative Julie Alexander, Chair

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