

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

February 25, 2014

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

Chair Schmidt called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Schmidt, Glardon, Daley, Heise, Jacobsen, O'Brien, Pettalia, Lauwers, McCready, Lane, Dianda, Rutledge, Driskell, Cochran, Smiley,

Absent and excused: None.

Rep. Lauwers moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 18, 2014. The motion prevailed.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee HB 5064 – Rutledge – Highways; name; designation of I-75 as the “Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Highway”; provide for.

Chair Schmidt recognized Rep. Rutledge to explain HB 5064.

The following people testified in support of HB 5064.

Lt. Colonel Lawrence Millben representing the Tuskegee Airmen of America
Rep. Tim Greimel representing himself

The following people filled out testimony cards stating a neutral position on HB 5064.

Kelly Bartlett representing the Michigan Department of Transportation
Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

Rep. Rutledge moved to report out HB 5064 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Schmidt, Glardon, Daley, Heise, Jacobsen, O'Brien, Pettalia, Lauwers, McCready, Lane, Dianda, Rutledge, Driskell, Cochran, Smiley,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee HB 5257 – Franz – Highways; name; portion of highway M-116 in Mason county; designate as the “Trooper Paul K. Butterfield, II Memorial Highway”.

Chair Schmidt recognized Rep. Franz to explain HB 5257.

The following person testified in support of HB 5257.

Sgt. Dwayne Gill representing the Michigan Department of State Police

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of HB 5257 but did not want to testify.

Nate Johnson representing the Michigan State Police Troopers Association
Kirk Schalan representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Association

The following people filled out testimony cards stating a neutral position on HB 5257.

Kelly Bartlett representing the Michigan Department of Transportation
Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

Rep. Glardon moved to report out HB 5257 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Schmidt, Glardon, Daley, Heise, Jacobsen, O'Brien, Pettalia, Lauwers, McCready, Lane, Dianda, Rutledge, Driskell, Cochran, Smiley,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee HB 4916 – Brown – Traffic control; traffic regulation; solicitation of charitable donations in public right-of-way; allow under certain circumstances.

Chair Schmidt recognized Rep. Brown to explain HB 4916.

The following people testified in support of HB 4916.

Douglas Deming representing the Sebewaing Lions & the Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce
Montgomery Nye representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Association
Michael McGee representing the Sebewaing Lions, Knights of Columbus and American Legion
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The following person testified to a neutral position on HB 4916.

Kelly Bartlett representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of HB 4916 but did not want to testify.

Lewis Mitchell representing the American Legion District #7
Elizabeth McGee representing the American Legion Auxiliary
Christine Deming representing the Sebawaing Lions Club
Kirk Schalan representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Association

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of HB 4916 in concept but did not want to testify.

Tom Frazier representing the Michigan Township Association

Chair Schmidt turned the meeting over to Vice-Chair Glardon.

Vice-Chair Glardon laid before the Committee the following 2 bills.

HB 5168 – Walsh – Transportation; authorities; agreement between a regional transit authority and a street railway; allow, and provide other general revisions.

HB 5169 – Schmidt – Transportation; authorities; definition of public transportation provider in regional transit authority act; amend to exclude street railways.

Vice-Chair Glardon recognized Rep. Schmidt and David Hodgkins from Rep. Walsh's office to explain HB 5168 and HB 5169.

The following people testified in support of HB 5168 and HB 5169.

Paul Childs representing M-1 Rail
Cameron Piggott representing M-1 Rail and Dykema

The following people filled out a testimony card in support of HB 5168 and HB 5169 but did not want to testify.

Jeff Prygoski representing the Michigan Environmental Council
Nicole Nystrom representing Rock Ventures/Quicken Loans
Lindsay Case representing the Detroit Regional Chamber

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The following people filled out testimony cards stating a neutral position on HB 5168 and HB 5169 but did not want to testify.

Kelly Bartlett representing the Michigan Department of Transportation
Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

With no further business to come before the Committee Vice-Chair Glardon adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Ben Glardon, Vice-Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk