

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

December 2, 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. Pettalia moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 12, 2014. The motion prevailed.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee HB 5142 – McCready – Traffic control; other; fee for commercial look-up service; provide for additional fee for web portal development and allow private entities to provide a commercial look-up service.

Rep. McCready moved to refer HB 5142 to the Committee on Appropriations. The motion prevailed, the vote being 14-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee the following 3 bill package.

SB 695 – Richardville – Transportation; other; definition of street railway in nonprofit street railway act; amend.

SB 696 – Smith – Transportation; other; obligation of street railway to pay costs of modifying or relocating public utility facilities; waive under certain circumstances and regulate provisions of operating license agreements between street railways and road authorities.

SB 697 – Casperson – Property tax; exemptions; property owned by nonprofit street railway; exempt from general property tax act.

Chair Schmidt recognized Cam Piggott representing Dykema Gossett and Tim Fischer representing M-1 Rail who explained SB 695-SB 697 and testified in support of the 3 bill package.

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of SB 695-SB 697 but did not want to testify.

Jason Pusess representing the Detroit Regional Chamber
Brian Kandler representing HNTB

The following person filled out testimony card in opposition to SB 695- SB 697 but did not want to testify.

Isabella Terry representing herself

The following people filled out testimony cards in opposition to SB 697 but did not want to testify.

Kathleen Merry representing Wayne RESA
Lisa Hansknecht representing Oakland Schools
Jennifer Smith representing the Michigan Association of School Boards

Rep. Glardon moved to report out SB 697 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 11-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: Rep. Heise,

Pass: Reps. Lane, Smiley

Rep. Glardon moved to report out SB 696 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 12-1-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: Rep. Heise,

Pass: Rep. Lane.

Rep. Glardon moved to report out SB 695 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 12-1-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: Rep. Heise,

Pass: Rep. Lane.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee SB 940 – Ananich – Traffic control; traffic regulation; permissible width of vehicle loads; modify to allow 108-inch load width for vehicles hauling steel pipe.

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of SB 940 but did not want to testify.

Mayor Dayne Walling representing the City of Flint
Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation
Matt Solak representing the Genesee County Drain Commissioner
Matt Solak representing the American Cast Iron Pipe Company

Rep. Pettalia moved to report out SB 940 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 5867 – Howrylak – Traffic control; pedestrians; definition of motor vehicle; exclude motorized wheelchair or other power-driven mobility devices used by disabled individuals, and include disabled individuals using wheelchairs or other mobility devices in definition of pedestrian.

Chair Schmidt recognized Krista Jones representing Rep. Howrylak to explain HB 5867.

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of HB 5867 but did not want to testify.

Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee the following 5 bill package.

HB 5908 – Kelly – Transportation; other; commercial passenger transportation act; create.

HB 5909 – Kosowski – Transportation; other reference to motor bus transportation act; revise to commercial passenger transportation act in the metropolitan transportation authorities act.

HB 5910 – Pettalia – Transportation; authorities; reference to motor bus transportation act; revise to commercial passenger transportation act in the regional transit authority act.

HB 5911 – Franz – Transportation; motor carrier fuel tax; reference to motor bus transportation act; revise to commercial passenger transportation act in the motor carrier fuel tax act.

HB 5912 – Lauwers – Transportation; school vehicles; reference to motor bus transportation act; revise to commercial passenger transportation act in the pupil transportation act.

Chair Schmidt recognized Rep. Kelly to explain the package of bills.

Chair Schmidt recognized Jean Ruestman and Troy Hagon representing the Michigan Department of Transportation to further explain the package of bills and to answer question by members of the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to HB 5908 and HB 5909 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Merlyn Wade representing the Ann Arbor Airport Shuttle Service

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of HB 5908 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Barry Cargill representing the Michigan Association for Home Care

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to HB 5908 but did not want to testify.

Sean Duval representing Golden Limousine Inc.

Chair Schmidt laid before the Committee the following 2 bill package.

HB 5408 – Schmidt – Vehicles; other; commercial quadricycle; define and exclude from definition of “motor vehicle”.

HB 5409 – Irwin – Vehicles; other; commercial quadricycles; allow to serve alcohol under certain circumstances and make other revisions to the Michigan vehicle code.

Chair Schmidt recognized Rep. Irwin who stated his support of HB 5408 and HB 5409.

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of HB 5408 and HB 5409 but did not want to testify.

Brendan Ringlever representing the Michigan Spirits Association
Tom Frazier representing the Michigan Township Association

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to HB 5408 and HB 5409 but did not want to testify.

Jerry Sheppard representing Trinity Transportation

The following 2 roll call votes on HB 5408 were out of order as there was not a substitute bill for HB 5408.

Rep. Pettalia moved to adopt the substitute H-1 to HB 5408. 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.

Rep. Glardon moved to report out HB 5408, substitute H-1 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.

Rep. Lauwers moved to adopt the substitute H-1 to HB 5409. 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.

Rep. Schmidt moved to amend HB 5409, substitute H-1 as follows:

1. Amend page 3, line 5, after "BEER" by striking out the balance of the sentence and inserting a comma and "**WINE, SPIRITS, OR A MIXED SPIRITS DRINK.**".

The motion prevailed, the vote being 14-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None

Pass: Rep. O'Brien

Rep. Lane moved to report out HB 5409, substitute H-2 with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 14-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None,

Pass: Rep. O'Brien

With no further business to come before the Committee Chair Schmidt adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:35 a.m.

Representative Wayne Schmidt, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk

