



MICHIGAN  
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Minutes of the House Standing Committee  
on  
Tourism and Outdoor Recreation

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Wednesday, October 21, 2015                      12:00 Noon                      Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Tourism and Outdoor Recreation was called to order by Representative Bruce Rendon, Chair.

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The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Rendon, Goike, Forlini, Pettalia, Cole, Smiley, Brinks, and Gay-Dagnogo. (8/8)**  
The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

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The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of October 14, 2015 as printed.

**Representative Goike moved to adopt the minutes of October 14, 2015 as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.**

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The Chair laid before the committee a presentation on Travel Michigan.

David Lorenz, Vice President of Travel Michigan in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, did a PowerPoint presentation on Travel Michigan update. Questions and discussion followed. A copy is attached to the minutes.

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At 12:55 p.m., the Chair went at ease at the call of the Chair.  
At 1:01 p.m., Majority Vice-Chair Goike reconvened.

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The Majority Vice-Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4983.

**HB 4983 (Rendon)**                      Natural resources; fishing; prohibition on enforcement of recreation passport on free fishing weekends; provide for.

The Chair explained the bill and introduced his constituent, Kim Akin, Executive Director of the Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce, who testified in support of the bill. Questions follow

At 1:11 p.m., the Majority Vice-Chair Goike went at ease at the call of the Chair.

At 1:12 p.m., the Chair reconvened the committee.

Trevor VanDyke, Legislative Liaison and Policy Advisor for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, expressed the department's concerns regarding this bill. Questions followed.

Douglas Rich, Legal Analyst for the Parks and Recreation Division in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, responded to a member's questions.

The Chair offered the substitute (H-1) for House Bill 4983.

**Representative Goike moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) for House Bill 4983.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Rendon, Goike, Forlini, Pettalia, Cole, Brinks, and Gay-Dagnogo, (7/8)**

**Nays: None. (0)**

**Pass: Representative Smiley. (1/8)**

The substitute was adopted.

**Representative Forlini moved to report House Bill 4983 with the recommendation that the substitute (H-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Rendon, Goike, Forlini, Pettalia, Cole, Brinks, and Gay-Dagnogo, (7/8)**

**Nays: None. (0)**

**Pass: Representative Smiley. (1/8)**

The bill and the substitute were referred to the full House.

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There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Goike moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 1:30 p.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

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Bruce Rendon, Chair

House Standing Committee on Tourism and Outdoor Recreation

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Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee