

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Judiciary Rep. Sarah L. Lightner Chair

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

10:30 AM

Room 308, House Office Building

The House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Judiciary was called to order by the Chair, Representative Lightner.

The Chair requested attendance be called: Present: Reps. Lightner, Yaroch, Green, Borton, C.A. Johnson, T. Carter, and Brabec. Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Green moved to adopt the meeting minutes from March 4, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Michael Bosanac, Monroe County Administrator and Chief Financial Officer, appeared before the subcommittee (virtually) to provide information on trial court funding. He gave background information on trial court funding in Michigan, and discussed funding sources to Michigan courts, the current funding structure, a proposed new funding model for Michigan courts, and provided thoughts on potential steps to take for improving the current court funding system. Questions and answers followed.

Representative Lightner directed members to written testimony they had before them on trial court funding provided by Edward Klobucher, City Manager, City of Hazel Park. She also referenced written testimony they would be receiving after the meeting from Tamara J. Bates, 12th District Court Administrator. Ms. Bates was scheduled to appear before the subcommittee today, but was not able to make the appearance.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Representative Lightner adjourned the meeting at 10:55 AM.

Representative Sarah Lightner, Chair

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