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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2011

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Transportation was held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011, in room 100 of the Farnum Building at 12:30 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Casperson, Kowall, Brandenburg, Pavlov, Gleason, and Hood
Absent: None
Excused: None

The Agenda Summary is as follows:

- 1) Adoption of the committee minutes**
- 2) Presentation by MoReno Taylor and James Maike, Jr., with the Michigan Assn of Counties**
- 3) Presentation by David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association**
- 4) Presentation by Brad Williams, from the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce**

The meeting was called to order at 12:41 p.m.

The Chair began by taking roll, then led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair followed by asking for a motion to adopt the minutes of February 8, 2011. Senator Brandenburg made the motion; being no objection, the motion carried.

The Chair advised the members and audience that today's committee is being broadcast by Senate Television, and taped for airing on Michigan Government Television.

He then invited MoReno Taylor II, and James Maike, Jr., speaking on behalf of the Michigan Association of Counties, to offer their recommendations with regard to the funding issues they would like to see addressed, as well as any recommendations offered by their members.

Questions and discussion followed.

The committee then heard from David Bertram, with the Michigan Townships Association. He provided an overview of the current challenges facing their members and funding issues they would like to see addressed.

Questions and discussion followed.

The final presentation was from Brad Williams, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce. He

discussed Michigan's strengths and weaknesses, as well as the need for a comprehensive approach to solving transportation issues facing the state.

Questions and comments followed.

Being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

February 22, 2011
Date Adopted by Committee

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.