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Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes was held Thursday, April 26, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m.

Members present: Senators Casperson, Pavlov, Green, Kowall, Meekhof, Warren
Members absent: Senator Hood

Senator Casperson called the meeting to order and led committee and audience members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Casperson welcomed those in attendance from the Upper Peninsula, who were appearing at committee via video conference.

Senator Casperson placed before the committee Senate Bill 1052 (Sen. Casperson). Senator Casperson testified in explanation of the bill and answered questions from committee members.

Senator Warren moved to excuse absent members. Without objection, absent members were excused.

The following people testified on Senate Bill 1052 and answered questions from committee members:

- Maggie Cox, representing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality—Oppose as introduced
- Ernie Krygier, representing Save Our Shoreline—Support (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)
- Jim Hansen, citizen—Support
- James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council—Oppose
- Harold Olsen, citizen—Support
- Tom Harris, citizen—Support
- Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Townships Association—Oppose
- Joe McBride, representing Save Our Shoreline—Support (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)
- Todd Myrizk, citizen—Support
- Denise Young, citizen—Support
- Utz Schmidt, citizen and representing Save Our Shoreline—Support
- Tom Stillings, citizen—Support (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)

The following people submitted cards but did not wish to testify on Senate Bill 1052:

- Lauri Elbing, representing The Nature Conservancy—Oppose
- Shirley Schmidt, citizen and representing Save Our Shoreline—Support
- Daniel M. Kattein, representing Save Our Shoreline—Support
- Norman & Donna Schulz, Riparian Property Owners and representing Save Our Shoreline—Support

The following persons submitted cards wishing to testify, but due to time constraints were unable to, on Senate Bill 1052:

- David Powers, representing Save Our Shoreline—Support (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)
- Bonnie Nothoff, RDH, representing Nothoff Legislative Research & Consulting—Support (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)

The following people submitted written testimony, but did not testify, on Senate Bill 1052:

- Kent Wood, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs—Concerns
- Michael Quinn, citizen

Senator Casperson placed before the committee Senate Bill 1090 (Sen. Casperson). Senator Casperson asked Jason Geer from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce to come forth and explain the bill.

The following people testified on Senate Bill 1090 and answered questions from committee members:

- Michael Heltzer, representing BASF—Support

The following people submitted cards but did not wish to testify on Senate Bill 1090:

- Tiffany Watrous, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber—Support
- Bill Lievense, representing the Michigan Chemistry Council—Support
- Abed Housori, representing DTE—Support
- Jamie Clover Adams, representing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality—Support
- James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council—Oppose (Also submitted written testimony on file with the clerk)

Senator Casperson adjourned the committee at 9:59 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: May 3, 2012

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