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Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism was held on Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Members present: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Moolenaar, Gleason and Young
Members excused: Senator Casperson

Senator Hansen called the meeting to order.

Senator Hansen announced the order of business for the day:

- Approval of Minutes
- SB 1340 (Sen. Pavlov) Natural resources; hunting; restitution value for possession of certain wildlife; modify.
- SB 1341 (Sen. Casperson) Natural resources; hunting; penalties for trespassing; modify.
- SB 1348 (Sen. Walker) Natural resources; wildlife; wildlife violator compact law; modify enforcement provisions.

Senator Hansen placed before the committee Senate Bill 1348 (Sen. Walker). Senator Walker and Dean Molnar of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) explained the bill to committee members and answered questions.

The following people testified on Senate Bills 1348 and answered questions from committee members:

- Trevor VanDyke, DNR – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning Senate Bills 1348:

- Kent Wood, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) – Support
- Drew YoungDyke, Michigan League of Conservation Voters – Support

Senator Hildenbrand moved to adopt the minutes from August 15, 2012 with unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Hildenbrand moved that Senate Bill 1348 be reported out of committee with the recommendation 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:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Moolenaar, and Young (5/7)

Nays: None (0)

Pass: None (0)

Absent: Senators Casperson and Gleason (2)

Senator Hansen moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 1348. By unanimous consent, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Hansen placed before the committee Senate Bills 1340 & 1341 (Sens. Pavlov & Casperson). Matt Evans, of Senator Pavlov's office, explained the bills to committee members and answered questions.

Senator Gleason entered the committee room at 9:34 a.m.

The following people testified on Senate Bills 1340 & 1341 and answered questions from committee members:

- Trevor VanDyke, DNR – Oppose (SB 1340 only)
- Jim Pryce, Tri-County Sportsmen's League – Support
- John Borkovich, Retired Conservation Officer – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning Senate Bills 1340 & 1341:

- Trevor VanDyke, DNR – Support (SB 1341 only)
- Kent Wood, MUCC – Support
- Drew YoungDyke, Michigan League of Conservation Voters – Support

Senator Meekhof moved that Senate Bill 1340 be reported out of committee with the recommendation 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:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Moolenaar, Gleason and Young (6/7)

Nays: None (0)

Pass: None (0)

Absent: Senator Casperson (1)

Senator Hansen moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 1340. By unanimous consent, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Moolenaar moved that Senate Bill 1341 be reported out of committee with the recommendation 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:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Moolenaar, Gleason and Young (6/7)

Nays: None (0)

Pass: None (0)

Absent: Senator Casperson (1)

Senator Hansen moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 1341. By unanimous consent, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

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

Senator Hansen adjourned the committee at 9:50 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: December 5, 2012

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