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Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism
Minutes

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism was held on Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 1:22 p.m.

Present: Senators Hansen (C), Hildenbrand, Casperson, Moolenaar, Young and Hopgood
Absent/Excused: Senator Meekhof

Senator Casperson moved to adopt the committee minutes from February 27, 2014. Without any objection, the minutes were adopted.

The following individuals testified before the Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism regarding HB 5191:

- Janelle Theisen, Office of Rep. Rendon – Support
- Matt Evans, Michigan United Conservation Club – Support
- Trevor Van Dyke, DNR – Continuing to work with bill sponsor

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-2) substitute to HB 5191. Sen. Casperson so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Hansen (C), Casperson, Moolenaar, Young and Hopgood

Nays: None.

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 5191 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Moolenaar so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Hansen (C), Casperson, Moolenaar, Young and Hopgood

Nays: None.

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect. Sen. Young so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman summarized SB 869 for the committee.

The following individuals testified before the Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism regarding SB 869:

- Trevor Van Dyke and Jim Dexter, DNR – Support
- Dan Kimmel, Michigan B.A.S.S. Nation – Support

The following individuals submitted testimony but did not wish to speak on SB 869:

- Matt Evans, Michigan United Conservation Club - Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 869 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Casperson so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Hansen (C), Casperson, Moolenaar, Young and Hopgood

Nays: None.

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect. Sen. Hopgood so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Sen. Moolenaar summarized SB 873-877 and SR 126 for the committee.

Sen. Hildenbrand entered the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

The following individuals testified before the Senate Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism regarding SB 873 – 877 and SR 126:

- John Greenslit, Eaton County Parks – Supports SB 873-877
- Trevor Van Dyke, DNR – Supports SB 873-877
- Jim McBryde, MEDC – Supports SB 873-877
- Dr. Chuck Nelson, Clinton County Parks and Greenspace Commission – Supports SB 873-877
- Blair J. Miller, Thornapple Trail Association – Support
- Elizabeth Riggs, Huron River Watershed Council – Supports SB 873-877
- Kati Santee, West Michigan Trails and Greenways – Supports SB 873-875
- Nancy Krupiarz, Michigan Trails and Greenways Association – Supports SB 873-877
- Jack D. Minore, Flint Area Trails – Support
- John Waterman, PEAC – Supports SB 873-877
- Shawn Kohsmann, PEAC – Supports SB 873-877
- James Kleimola, PEAC – Supports SB 873-877

The following individuals submitted testimony but did not wish to speak on SB 873 – 877 and SR 126:

- Tom Frazier, MI Townships Association – Supports SB 873-877
- Brad Garmon, Michigan Environmental Council – Support
- Willis Bennett, Michigan Recreation and Parks Association – Support
- Mike Maisner, Michigan Fitness Foundation – Supports SB 873-877
- Sarah Nicholls, Ingham County Parks Commission – Support
- Trevor Van Dyke, DNR – Supports SR 126

Senator Hildenbrand moved to excuse absent members. Without any objection, all absent members were excused.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Hansen adjourned the committee without objection at 2:30 p.m.

Date Approved by Committee: 3/27/14

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