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COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 19, 2016

A meeting of the Senate Natural Resources Committee was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 12:30 p.m., in room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Reported SB 950 (Sen. Stamas) with recommendation and immediate effect.
 2. Reported SB 1079 (Sen. Pavlov) with recommendation and immediate effect.
 3. Testimony regarding HB 5599 (Rep. LaFontaine)
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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Casperson (C), Pavlov, Robertson, Stamas, Warren

Excused: None

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Stamas to adopt the minutes from the September 21, 2016 meeting. Being no objection; the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Sen. Stamas to give a brief overview of SB 950 to the committee.

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding SB 950:

Judy Allen, Michigan Townships Association – support

James Clift, Michigan Environmental Council – support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Stamas to report SB 950 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Casperson, Sen(s) Pavlov, Robertson, Stamas and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 950. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding SB 1079:

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Casey Steffee, Michigan Association of Counties – support
Sarah Howes, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality - support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Robertson to report SB 1079 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Casperson, Sen(s) Pavlov, Robertson, Stamas and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1079. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited James Biehl of Rep. LaFontaine's office to give an overview of HB 5599

The Chairman invited the following individuals to present testimony regarding HB 5599:

James Clift, Michigan Environmental Council – oppose

Sarah Howes, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality – support

Bob Reisner, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality - support

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding HB 5599:

Dan Papineau, Associated Food and Petroleum Dealers – support

Clifford Knaggs, Michigan Petroleum Association – support

Being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:47 p.m., without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: 11/30/2016