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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
March 13, 2019

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure was scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at 10:30 a.m., in the 1100 Room of the Binsfeld Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Adopted the Committee Rules.
2. Reported HB 4061 (Rep. Yaroch) with recommendation and immediate effect.
3. Reported SB 61 (Sen. Victory) with recommendation and immediate effect.
4. Reported SB 42 (Sen. Lucido) with recommendation and immediate effect.
5. Presentation by CN and GoRail regarding Rail Technology.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 11:26 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present: Chairman Barrett, Sen.(s) LaSata, McBroom, Victory, Outman, Lauwers, Geiss, Bullock, and Hollier, a quorum was present.

The Chairman made a motion to adopt the Committee Rules. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Barrett, Sen.(s) LaSata, McBroom, Victory, Outman, Lauwers, Geiss, Bullock, and Hollier

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the rules were adopted.

The Chairman invited Rep. Yaroch to summarize HB 4061.

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding HB 4061:

Troy Hagon, Michigan Department of Transportation – Neutral

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Lauwers to report HB 4061 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Barrett, Sen.(s) LaSata, McBroom, Victory, Outman, Lauwers, Geiss, Bullock, and Hollier

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4061. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Sen. Victory to summarize SB 61.

The Chairman invited the following individuals to present testimony regarding SB 61:

Chief Matt Messer, Holland Department of Public Safety – Support

Chief Jon Gale, City of Norton Shores – Support

Trooper Nicole McGhee, Michigan State Police – Support

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding SB 61:

Stephanie Johnson, Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police – Support

John LaMacchia, Michigan Municipal League – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Victory to report SB 61 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Barrett, Sen.(s) LaSata, McBroom, Victory, Outman, Lauwers, Geiss, Bullock, and Hollier

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 61. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Sen. Lucido to summarize SB 42.

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding SB 42:

Jenita Moore, Michigan Secretary of State – Neutral

The Chairman made a motion to report SB 42 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Barrett, Sen.(s) LaSata, Victory, Outman, Lauwers, Geiss, Bullock, and Hollier

Nays: None

Pass: Sen. McBroom

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 42. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Larry Lloyd, Government Affairs Manager for CN, and Michael Gaynor, or GoRail, to give a presentation regarding rail technology.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman moved to adjourn the committee. Without objection, the committee was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: March 20, 2019