

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND OUTDOOR RECREATION REP. GARY HOWELL CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

3:00 PM

Room 519, House Office Building

The House Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation was called to order by Chair Howell.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy,

Pohutsky.
Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Wakeman moved to adopt the minutes from the June 24th, 2020 meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5132 before the committee:

HB 5132 (Rep. Albert)

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 48703 and 48711 (MCL 324.48703 and 324.48711), as amended by 2018 PA 529, and by adding section 48703b.

Representative Eisen moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 5132. The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Sowerby, Cambensy,

Pohutsky. Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Albert testified in support of HB 5132.

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in opposition to HB 5132.

Representative Eisen moved to refer House Bill No. 5132 to the Committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed 7-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Cambensy.

Nays: Reps. Sowerby, Pohutsky.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 5552 before the committee:

HB 5552 (Rep. Alexander)

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 48729 (MCL 324.48729), as amended by 2018 PA 643.

Representative Alexander testified in support of HB 5552.

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified with a neutral position on HB 5552.

Representative Wakeman moved to refer House Bill No. 5552 to the Committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed 7-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Wakeman, Calley, Reilly, Rendon, Eisen, Cambensy.

Nays: Reps. Sowerby, Pohutsky.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 5762 before the committee:

HB 5762 (Rep. Griffin)

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 5301, 5403, 5405, and 5406 (MCL 324.5301, 324.5403, 324.5405, and 324.5406), section 5301 as amended by 2012 PA 560, sections 5403 and 5405 as added by 1997 PA 26, and section 5406 as amended by 2012 PA 561.

Representative Griffin testified in support of HB 5762.

Mandy Sheposh and Rami Haddad, representing Johnson Controls, Inc., testified in support of HB 5762. Questions and discussion followed.

Travis Boeskool and Amy Epkey, representing the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy, testified with a neutral position on HB 5762. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5762, but did not wish to speak:

Charlotte Jameson, representing the MI Environmental Council. Joe Fedewa, representing the Michigan League of Conservation Voters.

The Chair laid HB 5829 before the committee:

HB 5829 (Rep. Cambensy)

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 1905 (MCL 324.1905), as amended by 2012 PA 619.

Representative Cambensy testified in support of HB 5829. Questions and discussion followed.

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in opposition to HB 5829.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Gary Howell adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM.

Representative Gary Howell, Chair

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