

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

## **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, February 18, 2021

10:30 AM

Room 307, 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, Markkanen, LaFave, Marino, Eisen, Wakeman, Sowerby,

Cambensy, Aiyash. Absent: None.

Excused: None.

The Chair laid before the committee a presentation by Dan Eichinger, Director, Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Wakeman moved to adopt the meeting minutes from February 11, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4126 before the committee:

HB 4126 (Rep. Howell)

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 43525c (MCL 324.43525c), as added by 2020 PA 262.

Representative Wakeman moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4126. The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Markkanen, LaFave, Marino, Eisen, Wakeman, Sowerby, Cambensy,

Aiyash.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Ian FitzGerald, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, testified in support of HB 4126.

Craig Brunet, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in support of HB 4126.

Representative Sowerby moved to report out HB 4126 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 9-0-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Howell, Markkanen, LaFave, Marino, Eisen, Wakeman, Sowerby, Cambensy, Aiyash.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

The Chair laid before the Committee a presentation by Rich Bowman and Madhu Anderson from The Nature Conservancy. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Howell adjourned the meeting at 10:45 AM.

Representative Gary Howell, Chair

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