

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

REP. TULLIO LIBERATI
CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

12:00 PM

Room 307, House Office Building

The House Committee on Government Operations was called to order by Chair Liberati.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Liberati, Pohutsky, McFall, Posthumus, Greene.

Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative McFall moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 10, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4446, HB 4447, HB 4448 and HB 4449 before the committee:

HB 4446	(Rep. Puri)	A bill to designate Diwali, Deepavali, or the
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Festival of Lights as a holiday in this state.

HB 4447 (Rep. Aiyash) A bill to designate Eid al-Adha and Eid al-Fitr as

holidays in this state.

HB 4448 (Rep. MacDonell) A bill to designate Lunar New Year as a holiday in

this state.

HB 4449 (Rep. Puri) A bill to designate Vaisakhi or Baisakhi as a

holiday in this state.

Representative Puri and Representative Aiyash testified in support of HB 4446, HB 4447, HB 4448 and HB 4449. Questions and discussion followed.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4446, HB 4447, HB 4448 and HB 4449, but did not wish to speak:

Rabbi Asher Lopatin, the Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council.

The Chair laid HB 4544 and HB 4545 before the committee:

HB 4544 (Rep. Arbit) A bill to designate Rosh Hashanah as a holiday in

this state.

HB 4545 (Rep. Steckloff) A bill to designate Yom Kippur as a holiday in this

state.

Representative Arbit and Representative Steckloff testified in support of HB 4544 and HB 4545. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Aiyash returned to answer questions on HB 4544 and HB 4545.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4544 and HB 4545 but did not wish to speak:

Rabbi Asher Lopatin, the Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Liberati adjourned the meeting at 12:22 PM.

Representative Tullio Liberati, Chair

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