

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY REP. KELLY A BREEN CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

10:30 AM

Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Judiciary was called to order by Chair Breen.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Breen, Edwards, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Arbit, Dievendorf, Hoskins,

Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen.

Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Edwards moved to adopt the meeting minutes from February 14, 2024. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5429 before the committee:

HB 5429 (Rep. Morse) A bill to create the court-appointed special

advocate program; and to prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the court-appointed special

advocate program and volunteers.

Representative Morse testified in support of HB 5429. Questions and discussion followed.

Patty Sabin, the President and CEO of the Michigan Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), testified in support of HB 5429. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 5384, HB 5385 and HB 5386 before the committee:

HB 5384 (Rep. Roth) A bill to amend 1978 PA 454, entitled "Truth in

renting act," by amending section 2 (MCL

554.632).

HB 5385 (Rep. Mentzer) A bill to amend 1972 PA 348, entitled "An act to

regulate relationships between landlords and

tenants relative to rental agreements for rental units; to regulate the payment, repayment, use and investment of security deposits; to provide for commencement and termination inventories of rental units; to provide for termination arrangements relative to rental units; to provide for legal remedies; and to provide penalties," by amending section 1 (MCL 554.601), as amended by 1995 PA 79.

HB 5386 (Rep. Breen)

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 5714 (MCL 600.5714), as amended by 2014 PA 223.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5384, HB 5385 and HB 5386, but did not wish to speak:

Tabitha Zimny, representing the Michigan Mortgage Lenders Association.

Representative Tyrone Carter moved to report out HB 5384 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 13-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Breen, Edwards, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Arbit, Dievendorf, Hoskins,

Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Hope moved to report out HB 5385 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 13-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Breen, Edwards, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Arbit, Dievendorf, Hoskins,

Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Arbit moved to report out HB 5386 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 13-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Breen, Edwards, Tyrone Carter, Hope, Arbit, Dievendorf, Hoskins,

Tsernoglou, Fink, Wendzel, Wozniak, Outman, Johnsen.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 5328 before the committee:

HB 5328 (Rep. Wilson)

A bill to amend 1992 PA 234, entitled "The judges retirement act of 1992," by amending section 714 (MCL 38.2664), as amended by 2002 PA 95.

Representative Wilson testified in support of HB 5328. Questions and discussion followed.

Judge Michelle Rick and Judge Charles LaSata, both representing the Michigan Judges Association, testified in support of HB 5328. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5328, but did not wish to speak: Judge Mike Carpenter, representing the Michigan District Judges Association. Trevor Van Dyke, representing the State Court Administrative Office.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Breen adjourned the meeting at 11:19 AM.

Representative Kelly Breen, Chair

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