

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Tax Policy Rep. Cynthia Neeley Chair

# **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 12:00 PM Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by Chair Neeley.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley. Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Farhat moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 6, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4966, HB 4967, HB 4968, HB 4969 and HB 4970 before the committee:

HB 4966 (Rep. Young)

A bill to provide for the authorization and levy of a specific tax in lieu of certain ad valorem property taxes for purposes of improving equity in the taxation of property and to encourage the development of property within the boundaries of certain cities and local units of government; to prescribe the powers, duties, and jurisdictions of those cities and local units of government, and certain local and state officials, in the authorization and levy of the specific alternative tax and for the administration of this act; to limit the levy of certain ad valorem property taxes and exempt certain property from the collection of certain ad valorem property taxes within cities and local units of government qualified to levy the specific alternative tax; to regulate the levy, collection, and distribution of the specific alternative tax within the jurisdiction of each city

		or local unit of government qualified to levy the specific alternative tax; to create and provide for the modification of certain credits and exemptions against the specific alternative tax in certain circumstances in order to enhance the equitable purposes and objectives of this act; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities.
HB 4967	(Rep. Whitsett)	A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 2, 78a, and 89b (MCL 211.2, 211.78a, and 211.89b), section 2 as amended by 2002 PA 620, section 78a as amended by 2014 PA 499, and section 89b as amended by 2008 PA 512, and by adding section 7yy.
HB 4968	(Rep. Farhat)	A bill to amend 2003 PA 260, entitled "Tax reverted clean title act," by amending section 5 (MCL 211.1025), as amended by 2016 PA 151.
HB 4969	(Rep. Young)	A bill to amend 1992 PA 147, entitled "Neighborhood enterprise zone act," by amending section 9 (MCL 207.779), as amended by 2005 PA 340.
HB 4970	(Rep. Young)	A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 512a (MCL 206.512a), as added by 2003 PA 28.

Representative Young and Mayor Mike Duggan testified in support of HB 4966, HB 4967, HB 4968, HB 4969 and HB 4970. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4966, HB 4967, HB 4968, HB 4969 and HB 4970, but did not wish to speak:

John Fournier, representing the City of Ann Arbor. Mike Spence, representing the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. Jennifer Hayes, representing Invest Detroit. Roderick Hardamon, representing the URGE Development Group. David DiRita, representing the Roxbury Group. Richard Hosey, representing Hosey Development.

The Chair laid HB 4530, HB 4531 and SB 127 before the committee:

HB 4530	(Rep. Martus)	A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 260.
HB 4531	(Rep. Snyder)	A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding

section 261.

SB 127 (Sen. Singh)

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 261.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4530, HB 4531 and SB 127, but did not wish to speak:

Ja'Nel Jamerson, representing the Flint Center for Educational Excellence.

Representative Farhat offered the following amendment to HB 4530 at the June 21st, 2023 meeting:

1. Amend page 2, line 13, after "less." by inserting "To claim a credit under this section, the taxpayer must have received a written acknowledgment from the shelter for homeless persons, food kitchen, food bank, or other entity that the contribution was made to that entity.".

Representative Farhat moved to withdraw the amendment to HB 4530. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative Farhat moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4530. The motion prevailed 12-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley. Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Grant offered the following amendment to HB 4531:

1. Amend page 1, line 2, by striking out "2023" and inserting "2024".

Representative Grant moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4531. The motion prevailed 12-0-0:

# FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley. Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Grant offered the following amendment to SB 127:

1. Amend page 1, line 2, by striking out "2023" and inserting "2024".

Representative Grant moved to adopt the amendment to SB 127. The motion prevailed 12-0-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley. Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Farhat moved to report out HB 4530 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

Representative Grant moved to report HB 4531 as amended, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

Representative Grant moved to report SB 127 as amended, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

The Chair laid HB 4553 and HB 4554 before the committee:

HB 4553	(Rep. Fitzgerald)	A bill to amend 2000 PA 489, entitled "Michigan trust fund act," by amending section 2 (MCL 12.252), as amended by 2022 PA 83, and by adding section 3a.
HB 4554	(Rep. Mentzer)	A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 21 (MCL 205.111), as amended by 2021 PA 109.

Representative Mentzer testified in support of HB 4553 and HB 4554. Questions and discussion followed.

Peter Morman, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in support of HB 4553 and HB 4554. Questions and discussion followed.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, and John LaMacchia, representing the Michigan Municipal League testified in support of HB 4553 and HB 4554.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4553 and HB 4554, but did not wish to speak:

John Fournier, representing the City of Ann Arbor.

Mike Spence, representing the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Amanda Fisher, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.

Madeline Fata, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

Representative Whitsett moved to report out HB 4553 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

# FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

Representative Brenda Carter moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4554. The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

## FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

Representative Brenda Carter moved to report out HB 4554 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 7-0-5:

## FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price. Nays: None. Pass: Reps. VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley.

The Chair laid HB 4724 before the committee:

HB 4724 (I	Rep. Price)	A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax
		act of 1967," by amending sections 506, 520, 522,
		and 530 (MCL 206.506, 206.520, 206.522, and
		206.530), section 506 as amended by 1996 PA
		484, sections 520 and 522 as amended by 2015 PA
		179, and section 530 as amended by 2011 PA 38.

Representative Price testified in support of HB 4724. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Price offered the following amendment to HB 4724:

1. Amend page 14, line 11, after "**year**" by striking out the balance of the line through "**year**," on line 12.

Representative Price moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4724. The motion prevailed 12-0-0:

# FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Neeley, Farhat, Brixie, Brenda Carter, Whitsett, Grant, Price, VanWoerkom, Markkanen, Outman, Tisdel, Hoadley. Nays: None. Pass: None.

The following people submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4724, but did not wish to speak:

Peter Morman, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury. Terry Sabo, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Tim Paxson, representing the American Legion, Department of Michigan.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Neeley adjourned the meeting at 1:09 PM.

Representative Cynthia Neeley, Chair

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