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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON
State and Local Transportation

DATE: June 25, 2025

Chair Steele called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Representatives Steele, Slagh, DeSana, Robinson, Morgan and Edwards were present. Representative Borton was absent from the meeting with prior excuse.

Representative Slagh moved to adopt the minutes of the June 4, 2025 meeting. The motion was adopted without objection.

The subcommittee heard testimony from the Michigan Department of Transportation regarding the highway advertising and permitting program. Testifying were: Larry Doyle, Development Services Division Administrator; Melissa Staffeld, Highway Advertising Specialist; Demetrius Parker, P.E., Bureau of Development Director.

The department presentation is included in the official minutes and posted to the House Fiscal Agency website.

The subcommittee then heard testimony from representatives of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Michigan (OAAM) regarding interpretation of the Highway Advertising Act, including issues related to condemnation and relocation of billboards. Presenting were Bill Jackson, McAlvey Merchant & Associates; J. Adam Behrendt, attorney at Bodman PLC; and Denise Bartholomew, OUTFRONT Media and OAAM board member.

Chair Steele adjourned the meeting, without objection, the time being 1:10 PM.

Minutes taken by William E. Hamilton, House Fiscal Agency
Approved: July 30, 2025