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**HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
ROADS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Thursday, May 21, 2015

9:00 a.m.

352 State Capitol Building

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Farrington, Pettalia, Pscholka, LaFontaine, Afendoulis, Lane, Dianda.

The Chair laid the following bills before the committee:

HB 4610 (Aaron Miller) Counties; boards and commissions; requirement for competitive bidding by county road commissions on certain road projects involving townships; provide for.

HB 4611 (Canfield) Transportation; funds; contracts entered into by state transportation department and local road agencies; change bidding requirements and allow state transportation department to borrow money from local road agencies.

Susan Martin, from Representative Aaron Miller's office, and David Jessup, from Representative Canfield's office, explained HB 4610 and HB 4611 to the committee.

Rich Studley, CEO of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, gave a brief presentation to the committee.

Frank Raha and Randy Van Portfliet, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation, testified before the committee with no position to HB 4610 and HB 4611.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified before the committee in support of HB 4610 and HB 4611.

Mike Nystrom, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, testified before the committee and was neutral on HB 4610 and HB 4611.

Nick Ciaramitaro, representing AFSCME, testified in opposition to HB 4610 and HB 4611.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association, testified before the committee and was neutral on HB 4610 and HB 4611.

Casey Steffee, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 4610, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 4613 before the committee:

HB 4613 (Lauwers) Highways; construction and repair; replacement warranties on road repairs; modify, and extend warranty requirement to local road agencies.

Representative Lauwers introduced HB 4613 to the committee.

Frank Raha, Tim Hoeffner, and Randy Van Portfliet, representing Michigan Department of Transportation, testified before the committee with no position to HB 4613.

Mike Nystrom, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, testified before the committee and was neutral on HB 4613.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association, submitted a testimony card with a neutral position on HB 4613, but did not wish to speak.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:20 a.m.

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
May 21, 2015
1 hour 20 minutes

Date Approved and Signed