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**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017      10:30 a.m.      Room 308 House Office Building, Lansing**

Representative Cole, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Cole read in the letter dated November 30, 2017 from Speaker Leonard to Clerk Randall announcing the changes in Committee assignments, appointing Representative Yancey to replace Representative Sneller.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:    Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey.**

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on November 28, 2017. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 5120    (Canfield)                      Highways; name; portion of M-15 in the city of Vassar; designate as the "Specialist 5 Michael May and Corporal Chris Esckelson Memorial Highway".

Representative Webber made a motion to report HB 5120 with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)**

**Nays: None. (0/14)**

**Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 606    (Marleau)                      Highways; name; certain bridge in village of Oxford; designate as the "Larry Obrecht Bridge".

Representative Lucido made a motion to report SB 606 with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)**

**Nays: None. (0/14)**

**Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 178 (Stamas) Vehicles; fund-raising registration plates; fund-raising plates for the "Detroit Red Wings", "Detroit Tigers", "Detroit Lions", "Detroit Pistons", and "Michigan International Speedway"; create.

SB 178 (H-1) was adopted by the Committee on September 19, 2017.

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt SB 178 (H-2).

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (13/14)**

**Nays: None. (0/14)**

**Pass: Representative Noble. (1/14) (13/0/1)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Lucido made a motion to report SB 178 (H-2) with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Alexander, Calley, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (12/14)**

**Nays: Representatives Howell, Noble. (2/14)**

**Pass: None. (0/14) (12/2/0)**

The Chair stated that no additional voting would take place at this meeting.

The Chair stated that the Committee would stand at ease, the time being 10:39 a.m.

Vice-Chair Webber assumed the Chair and reconvened the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4921 (Barrett) Vehicles; registration plates; permanent plate option for certain farm vehicles; provide for.

The Vice-Chair stated that the Committee would move to another bill on the agenda and return to address HB 4921.

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 5112 (LaSata) Highways; name; portion of Red Arrow Highway in Berrien County; designate as the "Trooper Robert J. Mihalik Memorial Highway".

Members of the Mihalik family and retired law enforcement officers who served with Trooper Mihalik spoke in support of HB 5112.

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill.

The Committee returned to discuss HB 4921. Representative Barrett, bill sponsor, reviewed the provisions of the bill and answered questions.

David Richmond, representing the Michigan Secretary of State (MSOS) answered questions and indicated a neutral position on the bill.

Cards indicating opposition to the bill were submitted by:

Ronald DeCook, representing the Genesee, St. Clair, Lapeer, and Huron County Road Commissions

Ed Noyola, representing County Road Associations

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4176 (Kosowski) Vehicles; equipment; use of amber flashing lights on vehicles that participate in neighborhood watch programs; allow.

Representative Kosowski reviewed the provisions of the bill with the Committee and answered questions.

Sgt. Matt Williams, representing the Michigan State Police, submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill.

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 575 (Casperson) Vehicles; motorcycles; increase of motorcycle endorsement fee and earmark of motorcycle registration fees into motorcycle safety fund; modify date of implementation.

Marty Fittante, representing Senator Casperson, spoke to the Committee regarding the provisions of SB 575.

David Richmond, representing the MSOS, answered questions regarding SB 575 and submitted a card stating a neutral position on the bill.

Vince Consiglio, representing ABATE, spoke to the provisions of the bill.

Butch Brown, representing ABATE, submitted a card in support of SB 575.

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 480 (Kowall) Highways; name; portion of I-96; designate as the "Mitchel Kiefer Memorial Highway".

Vice-Chair Webber read a statement submitted by Senator Kowall pertinent to SB 480.

Steven Kiefer, the father of Mitchel Kiefer, spoke in support of SB 480 and reviewed aspects of the bill with the Committee.

Troy Hagon, representing MDOT, answered questions and submitted a card stating no position on the bill.

The Vice-Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 478 (Hildenbrand) Traffic control; parking; provision related to license suspension for failure to comply with outstanding parking violation citations; modify.

Fred Schaible, representing Senator Hildebrand, reviewed the contents of the bill with the Committee and answered questions.

David Richmond, representing the MSOS, answered questions and indicated a neutral position on the bill.

Bruce Timmons of Okemos, Michigan, spoke in opposition to SB 478.

Kenneth Cole, representing the City of Detroit, submitted a card in support of the bill.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Vice-Chair Webber declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:42 a.m.

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Representative Triston Cole, Chair

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