

## MINUTES

### **HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON Transportation**

**DATE: February 20, 2018**

Chairman Hernandez called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon. Representatives Hernandez, Yaroch, Victory, Canfield, VanSingle, Cochran, and Peterson were present.

Representative Victory moved to accept the minutes of the March 5, 2017 meeting. The motion was adopted by voice vote without objection.

The subcommittee heard a presentation by Michigan Department of Transportation Director Kirk Steudle. Director Steudle gave an overview of department programs and presented the Governor's recommendations for the FY 2018-19 department budget. A copy of the director's presentation is included in the official subcommittee minutes on file at the House Fiscal Agency.

In response to questions from members, the director discussed:

- Alternative ways of replacing out-of-service bridges – specifically, US-23 at 8-Mile, I-96 at Pleasantville Road, and 100<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge at US-131

- The proposed reduction in Transportation Economic Development program funding

- Uses of proposed \$20.0 million in New Generation technology funding including leveraging private funds

- Maintenance of freeway pump stations

- Timetable for high speed service on Detroit-Chicago rail corridor

- Timetable for Gordie Howe Bridge work

- Changes in federal aid program

Representative Peterson praised the work of MDOT staff out of Brighton TSC.

Representative Yaroch discussed communication between MDOT offices and local public officials.

The House Fiscal Agency gave an overview of the proposed FY 2018-19 budget. A copy of the overview document is included in the official minutes.

Chair Hernandez adjourned the subcommittee, without objection, the time being 1:00 p.m.