



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL FINANCE

REP. JAMES LOWER

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The House Standing Committee on Local Government and Municipal Finance was called to order by Chair Lower.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Calley, Howell, Eisen, Meerman, Paquette, Ellison, Sowerby, Hope, Kuppa.

Absent/Excused: Reps. Marino, Garza.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 18, 2019. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative Meerman moved to excuse Representatives Marino and Garza from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4851 before the committee:

HB 4851

(Rep. Hoitenga) A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 7b and 53b (MCL 211.7b and 211.53b), section 7b as amended by 2013 PA 161 and section 53b as amended by 2017 PA 261.

Representative Hoitenga and Joe Porterfield, Representative Hoitenga's constituent and a local tax assessor, testified in support of HB 4851. Questions and discussion followed.

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League, and Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Township Association, both testified in opposition to HB 4851.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 4851, but did not wish to speak:

Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

The following person submitted a card with no position on HB 4851, but did not wish to speak:
Rachel Richards, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. James Lower adjourned the meeting at 12:17 PM.

Representative James Lower, Chair

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