

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the 2024 Regular Session

March 21, 2024

Call to Order and Roll Call

The sixth meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Transportation was held on March 21, 2024, at 8:30 AM in Room 131 of the Capitol Annex. Senator Jimmy Higdon, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Senators Jimmy Higdon, Chair; Brandon J. Storm, Vice Chair; Senators Karen Berg, Brandon Smith, Johnnie Turner, Phillip Wheeler, Gex Williams, Mike Wilson, and David Yates.

Guests: John Blanton, State Representative, District 92; Jason Wilson, President, Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association (KADA)

LRC Staff: John Snyder, Dana Fugazzi, Ashley Nash, Christina Williams, and Riley Kelly.

Approval of March 13, 2024 minutes

The minutes for the March 13, 2024 meeting were approved.

Bills for Consideration

HB 592

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle dealers.

Sponsor: Representative Tom Smith

House Bill 592 was discussed by its sponsor, Representative Tom Smith. Appearing with Representative Smith was Representative John Blanton, Chair, House Transportation Committee, who spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion, Senator Brandon Smith made a motion to pass House Bill 592. Senator Mike Wilson seconded the motion, which passed on a 9-0-0 roll call vote. Senator Brandon Smith made a motion to place House Bill 592 on the consent calendar. Senator Mike Wilson seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

HB 167/CS/TA

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle dealers.

Sponsor: Representative Jonathan Dixon

House Bill 167 was discussed by its sponsor, Representative Jonathan Dixon, who indicated

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there was a committee substitute on the measure. Senator Phillip Wheeler made a motion to adopt the committee substitute. Senator Mike Wilson seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. Appearing with Representative Dixon was Jason Wilson, President, KADA, who spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion, Senator Johnnie Turner made a motion to pass House Bill 167 as amended by the committee substitute. Senator Brandon Smith seconded the motion, which passed on a 9-0-0 roll call vote. Senator Mike Wilson made a motion to adopt the title amendment (Doc ID 8798). Senator Brandon Storm seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. Senator Mike Wilson made a motion to place House Bill 167 as amended by the committee substitute and the title amendment on the consent calendar. Senator Brandon Storm seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

HB 375/CS/TA

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles.

Sponsor: Representative Randy Bridges

House Bill 375 was discussed by its sponsor, Representative Randy Bridges, who indicated there was a committee substitute on the measure. Senator Brandon Storm made a motion to adopt the committee substitute. Senator Mike Wilson seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. Appearing with Representative Bridges was Jason Wilson, President, KADA, who spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion. Senator Johnnie Turner made a motion to pass House Bill 375 as amended by the committee substitute. Senator Phillip Wheeler seconded the motion, which passed on a 9-0-0 roll call vote. Senator Mike Wilson made a motion to adopt the title amendment (Doc ID 8509). Senator Brandon Storm seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. Senator Mike Wilson made a motion to place House Bill 375 as amended by the committee substitute and the title amendment on the consent calendar. Senator Brandon Storm seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

Adjournment

With no other business to come before the committee, Chairman Higdon adjourned the meeting at 8:44 A.M.