

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the 2024 Regular Session

February 6, 2024

Call to Order and Roll Call

The third meeting of the House Standing Committee on Transportation was held on February 6, 2024, at 12:00 PM in Room 154 of the Capitol Annex. Representative John Blanton, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Representatives John Blanton, Chair; Jonathan Dixon, Vice Chair; Representatives Josh Branscum, Randy Bridges, Adrielle Camuel, Daniel Elliott, Ken Fleming, David Hale, Samara Heavrin, Keturah Herron, John Hodgson, Thomas Huff, Mary Beth Imes, Derek Lewis, Bobby McCool, Kimberly Poore Moser, Amy Neighbors, Rachel Roberts, Tom Smith, Ashley Tackett Laferty, Walker Thomas, Ken Upchurch, Bill Wesley, and Wade Williams.

Guests: Representative Timmy Truett, 89th District; Erik Hubbard, Executive Director, Backroads of Appalachia; and Tom Underwood, Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association.

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

Approval of January 30, 2024 Minutes

Representative Ken Upchurch made a motion to approve the committee's January 30, 2024 meeting minutes. Representative Jonathan Dixon seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote.

Bills for Consideration

HB 29

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles.

Sponsor: Representative Derek Lewis

House Bill 29 was discussed by its sponsor, Representative Derek Lewis. Appearing with Representative Lewis was Representative Timmy Truett, and Erik Hubbard, Executive Director, Backroads of Appalachia, who both spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion, Representative Jonathan Dixon made a motion to pass House Bill 29. Representative Ken Fleming seconded the motion, which passed on a 24-0-0 roll call vote.

HB 249

AN ACT relating to low-speed vehicles and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor: Representative Rebecca Raymer

House Bill 249 was discussed by its sponsor, Representative Rebecca Raymer. After brief discussion, Representative David Hale made a motion to pass House Bill 249. Representative Samara Heavrin seconded the motion, which passed on a 24-0-0 roll call vote.

HB 375/CS

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. Representative Derek Lewis made a motion to adopt the committee substitute. Representative Samara Heavrin seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. Appearing with Representative Bridges was Tom Underwood, Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association, who spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion, Representative Walker Thomas made a motion to pass House Bill 375 as amended by the committee substitute. Representative Wade Williams seconded the motion, which passed on a 24-0-0 roll call vote.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Blanton adjourned the meeting at 12:15 P.M.