

Political stalemate on commuter tax

The bill is part of the "Detroit aid package" aimed at helping the central city stave off bankruptcy.

But the bill also means political life or death to suburban state legislators, several of whom have ambitions to run for governor of Michigan in 1982.

HB 4541 at mid-week was headed for a House-Senate conference committee after the House passed its version 66-40 Tuesday only to have the Senate reject it minutes later, 23-9.

The House version would allow the city of Detroit to hold a special election June 23 on raising the residential income tax rate from 2 percent to 3 percent, but would not, as Detroit Mayor Coleman Young requested, allow the city raise the tax on suburbanites who com-

mute to Detroit 0.5 to 1.5 percent.

If passed, the tax on residents would bring Detroit \$53 million; on commuters, \$42 million, for a total of \$95 million.

IN THE SENATE, the bill was supported by Sens. Donald E. Bishop, R-Rochester, whose district includes Rochester, Avon Township, Birmingham, West, Bloomfield and northwest Troy, and Doug Ross, D-Oak Park, whose district includes Farmington and Southfield.

Sen. Bill Huffman, D-Madison Heights, whose district includes southeast Troy, did not vote. Huffman plans to leave the Senate before his term is up.

The provision to remove the commuter tax was passed twice by the House. The GOP caucus agreed to support an amendment offered by Reps. Doug Cruce, R-Troy, and Sylvia Strel, R-Livonia, both serving their first full terms from marginally Republican districts.

Rep. Strel said the purpose was to force the Senate, with five potential Democratic gubernatorial candidates and one probable Wayne County executive candidate, to replace the politically explosive commuter tax issue in the bill.

IN THE HOUSE, the bill was supported by all Observer & Eccentric area representatives — Democrat Joe

Forbes of Oak Park and Republicans Wilbur Brotherton of Farmington, James Delebaugh of Bloomfield Township, Cruce, Mat Dunaskies of Oxford, Ruth McNamee of Birmingham and Jean Willoughby of Bloomfield Hills.

A Republican-sponsored amendment to require Detroit to get \$76 million in wage concessions from city employees was voted down 41-66. Supporting it were Brotherton, Delebaugh, Dunaskies, McNamee and Willoughby. Opposed were Forbes and Cruce.

A Democratic amendment was approved, 69-47, to increase the Detroit corporate income tax from 2 percent to 3 percent. It was supported by Forbes and Cruce. Opposed were Brotherton, Delebaugh, Dunaskies, McNamee and Willoughby.

Super Bowl rail service authorized

The State Transportation Commission has authorized spending \$66,000 to build a rail passenger platform at the Pontiac Silverdome and improve railroad track in the area for trains carrying fans between downtown Detroit and the Super Bowl game next January.

tiae via Grand Trunk Western (GTW) Railroad tracks.

Work will begin as soon as bids are let and a contractor chosen.

"This could be a first step toward future rail service to the Silverdome," said Commission Chairman Hannes Meyers Jr. of Holland.

Stolaruk bid low for US-10

Stolaruk Corp. of Southfield was low bidder at \$460,927 for resurfacing and construction of eight-foot shoulders on 2.1 miles of U.S. 10 from Elizabeth Lake Road north to Dixie Highway.

Construction is due to be completed in September. The contract won't be officially awarded until the bid is approved by the state Transportation Commission and the state administrative board.

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