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The Senate Committee on Education held a meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, at 12:00 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower. Senator Pavlov called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons, Colbeck, Hopgood, and Young
Absent: None
Excused: None

Senator Pavlov announced the order of business for the Education Committee:

- SB 618 Sen. Pavlov Education; public school academies; revisions to provisions concerning formation, operation, and termination of public school academies, urban high school academies, and schools of excellence; provide for, and allow school districts to contract with outside entity for provision of teachers.
- SB 619 Sen. Colbeck Education; public school academies; certain requirements and limitations on authorizing cyber schools; revise.
- SB 620 Sen. Robertson Education; public school academies; conversion schools; provide for.
- SB 621 Sen. Hansen School aid; other; conditions under which public school may receive school aid for instruction provided to nonpublic school students at nonpublic school site; revise.
- SB 622 Sen. Emmons Education; students; dual enrollment eligibility; modify in career and technical preparation act.
- SB 623 Sen. Emmons Education; students; dual enrollment eligibility; modify in postsecondary options act.
- SB 624 Sen. Pavlov Education; school choice; geographic requirements for schools of choice; remove, and require districts to participate based on available space.

Senator Colbeck made a motion to adopt the minutes of the August 24, 2011 committee meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov gave introductory remarks on the package of bills before the members.

James Goenner, President and CEO of the National Charter School Institute, gave testimony regarding the legislation being considered.

The following individuals submitted cards in opposition to Senate Bill 624, but did not wish to speak:

- Judy, Gafa, Grosse Pointe Board of Education
- Suzanne Klein, Grosse Pointe Public Schools
- Kate Barr, MI Communities for Local Control

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Pavlov adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:17 p.m.

Date Approved: September 14, 2011

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.