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Senate Committee on Judiciary

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was held on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 a.m.

Members present: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda
Members excused: none

Senator Jones called the meeting to order.

Senator Jones announced that the agenda for the committee:

Approval of Minutes

HB 4703	Rep. Scott	Corrections; parole; notification to prosecuting attorney of a prisoner's parole; revise requirements for.
SB 557	Sen. Bieda	Family law; paternity; revocation of paternity act; enact.
SB 558	Sen. Bieda	Family law; paternity; acknowledgment of parentage; allow to be set aside under revocation of paternity act.
SB 559	Sen. Jones	Family law; paternity; order of filiation; allow to be set aside under revocation of paternity act.
SB 560	Sen. Jones	Family law; paternity; determination of parentage for intestate succession; provide for determination under revocation of paternity act.

Senator Schuitmaker moved to adopt the minutes from August 24, 2011 with unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Jones placed before the committee House Bill 4703 (Rep. Scott). James Lower, staff member for Representative Scott, explained the bill to the committee members and answered questions.

The following persons testified and answered questions on House Bill 4703

- Ron Schafer, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan--Support

Senator Rocca entered the committee room at 8:38 a.m.

Senator Bieda moved that House Bill 4703 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: none (0)

Senator Rocca moved to recommend immediate effect for House Bill 4703. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Jones placed before the committee Senate Bills 557-560 (Senators Bieda and Jones). Senator Jones explained the package to committee members. Senator Bieda offered further explanation of the package.

The following persons testified and answered questions on Senate Bills 557-560:

- Marilyn Stephen and Karyn Ferrick, representing the Department of Human Services and the Office of Child Support—Supportive of concept, no official position at the time

The following persons submitted cards, but did not wish to testify, on Senate Bills 557-560:

- Suzanne Hollyer, representing the Friend of the Court Association—Support
- Bill Kandler, representing the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan—No position at the time

Senator Bieda moved to adopt the substitute (S-1) to Senate Bill 557. By an affirmative vote of the majority of members serving, the substitute was adopted. Voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: none (0)

Senator Bieda moved that Senate Bill 557 (S-1) be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: none (0)

Senator Bieda moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 557 (S-1). Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Schuitmaker moved that Senate Bill 558 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)
Nays: none (0)
Pass: none (0)
Excused: none (0)

Senator Schuitmaker moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 558. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Schuitmaker moved that Senate Bill 559 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)
Nays: none (0)
Pass: none (0)
Excused: none (0)

Senator Schuitmaker moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 559. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Rocca moved that Senate Bill 560 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)
Nays: none (0)
Pass: none (0)
Excused: none (0)

Senator Schuitmaker moved to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 560. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Jones adjourned the committee at 8:49 a.m.

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Date Approved by Committee

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