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Senate Committee on Local Government and Elections

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Local Government and Elections was held on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

Members present: Senators Robertson, Hansen, and Young
Members excused: Senator Brandenburg

Senator Robertson called the meeting to order.

Senator Robertson announced the agenda for the day:

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| SB 212 | Sen. Kahn | Fire; other; firefighter training programs in schools and organized fire departments; provide for. |
| SB 215 | Sen. Walker | Counties; boards and commissions; membership on the board of public works; modify. |
| SB 216 | Sen. Walker | Public employees and officers; ethics; incompatible offices; provide exception for township supervisor and county board of public works. |

Senator Young moved to adopt the minutes from March 23, 2011 by unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Robertson placed before the committee Senate Bills 215 and 216 (Walker).

Senator Walker testified in explanation of his bills. Senator Walker introduced his guests, Chuck Korn and Ross Childs, representing the Grand Traverse Board of Public Works. Mr. Korn and Mr. Childs both testified in support of the bills, and answered questions from the committee members.

Those submitting cards, but not wishing to testify, on Senate Bills 215 and 216 were as follows:

- Tom Frasier, representing the Michigan Townships Association—Support

Senator Young moved that Senate Bill 215 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 Robertson, Hansen, Young (3/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Brandenburg (1)

Senator Hansen moved that the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Hansen moved that Senate Bill 216 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 Robertson, Hansen, Young (3/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Brandenburg (1)

Senator Young moved that the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Robertson placed before the committee Senate Bill 212 (Kahn).

Those testifying on Senate Bill 212 were as follows:

- Melissa Yutzey and Jon Ichesco, representing the Michigan Fire Service Coalition—Support

Those submitting cards, but not wishing to testify, on Senate Bill 212 were as follows:

- Jon Cool, representing Senator Kahn—Support

Senator Robertson recessed the committee at the call of the chair, in order to give Senator Hansen's guests a chance to arrive, at 3:25 p.m.

Senator Robertson reconvened the committee at 3:30 p.m.

Senator Hansen moved to adopt the substitute (S-1) to Senate Bill 212. By an affirmative vote of the majority of members serving, the substitute was adopted. Voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Robertson, Hansen, Young (3/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Brandenburg (1)

Senator Hansen moved that Senate Bill 212 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 Robertson, Hansen, Young (3/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Brandenburg (1)

Senator Young moved that the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Robertson moved to excuse absent members. Without objection, absent members were excused.

Senator Robertson adjourned the committee without objection at 3:33 pm.

6/8/2011

Date Approved by Committee

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