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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 4, 2011

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, in rooms 402-403 of the Capitol Building at 8:30 a.m. Senator Jansen called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Jansen (C), Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall, Robertson, Young and Warren

Absent: None

Senator Jansen welcomed everyone to committee and announced the order of business.

- SB 8 Sen. Jansen Local government; intergovernmental affairs; municipal partnership act; create.
- SB 9 Sen. Jansen Labor; public service employment; reference to municipal partnership act; provide for in public employment relations act.
- SB 10 Sen. Jansen Elections; other; reference to municipal partnership act; provide for in the Michigan election law.

The Chair entertained a motion by Senator Colbeck to adopt the minutes from the April 27, 2011 committee hearing. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

Senator Jansen welcomed Curtis Holt from the City of Wyoming who spoke in support of the legislation.

Senator Jansen then noted that a testimony card in support of the legislation but not wishing to speak was turned in by Haris Alibasic from the City of Grand Rapids.

Senator Jansen then welcomed Scott Smith representing the cities of Wyoming and Grand Rapids who spoke in support of the legislation.

Senator Jansen then welcomed Mark Docherty & Michael Ohearen representing the Michigan Professional

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Firefighters Union spoke in opposition to the legislation as written.

Senator Jansen then noted that testimony cards of those not wishing to speak had been turned in by:

Support: Samantha Harkins, Michigan Municipal League

Oppose: Michael Keller, AFL-CIO
Tim Ward, Police Officers Assn of Michigan, also provided written testimony
Richard Weiler, Michigan Association of Police Associations
Greg Hillary, Grand Rapids Police Association

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:32 a.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: _____ **5-10-2011** _____

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