



## THE SENATE

### REFORMS, RESTRUCTURING AND REINVENTING COMMITTEE

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## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 12, 2011

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2011, in the Senate Hearing Room on the first floor of the Boji Tower at 9:00 a.m. Senator Jansen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Senator Jansen recessed the committee at the call of the chair at 9:00 a.m.

Senator Jansen reconvened the committee at 10:36 a.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

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

Absent: None

The Chair entertained a motion by Senator Casperson to adopt the minutes from the May 11, 2011 committee hearing. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

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

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| HB 4361 | Rep. Gilbert Income tax; rate; general revisions and implementation of a corporate income tax; provide for.   |
| HB 4362 | Rep. Gilbert Michigan business tax; replacement; option to claim certain certificated credits after enactment of a corporate income tax act; provide for. |
| HB 4479 | Rep. Gilbert Taxation; other; multistate tax compact; modify.   |
| HB 4480 | Rep. Gilbert Retirement; state employees; tax exemption for pensions; eliminate.  |
| HB 4481 | Rep. Gilbert Retirement; public school employees; tax exemption for pensions; eliminate.  |
| HB 4482 | Rep. Gilbert Retirement; legislative; tax exemption for pensions; eliminate.  |

HB 4483 Rep. Gilbert Retirement; other; tax exemption for pensions of city library employees; eliminate.

HB 4484 Rep. Gilbert Retirement; judges; tax exemption for pensions; eliminate.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report HB 4361 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

Senator Jansen opened the floor for statements. Statements were made by Senators Jansen, Colbeck, Robertson, Young and Warren.

Senator Colbeck offered the following statement on his vote for HB 4361:

*“My ‘yes’ vote on SB 4361 is merely procedural to allow the full Senate to consider and vote on the bill. I reserve the right to vote ‘no’ on the bill on its final passage from the Senate. I support the release of this bill from the committee to the floor because if we are to have true, honest, representative government we must honor the institution and allow for open debate of the issues. Withholding bills from the floor does not allow for each elected senator to express their position on a bill through their vote. We must maintain the integrity of the process and allow for the bills to be given a hearing before the entire elected body.”*

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4361, so moved by Senator Kowall. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Casperson made a motion to report HB 4362 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4362, so moved by Senator Casperson. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Kowall made a motion to report HB 4479 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4479, so moved by Senator Casperson. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Jansen made a motion to report HB 4480 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4480, so moved by Senator Casperson. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Jansen made a motion to report HB 4481 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4481, so moved by Senator Kowall. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Casperson made a motion to report HB 4482 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall, Robertson

Nays: Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4482, so moved by Senator Casperson. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Jansen made a motion to report HB 4483 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4483, so moved by Senator Kowall. Without objection the motion passed.

Senator Casperson made a motion to report HB 4484 with recommendation.

Yeas: Jansen, Colbeck, Casperson, Kowall

Nays: Robertson, Young, Warren

Pass:

The motion passed

The Chair entertained a motion to grant immediate effect to HB 4484, so moved by Senator Kowall. Without objection the motion passed.

Testimony cards were turned in by:

Oppose: Kim Teachout, UAW

Mike Largo, citizen

Louise Somalski, AFT Michigan

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Leon Herriman, citizen

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting without objection at 10:56 a.m.

Written testimony provided to the committee is available on the Senate website.

**Date Adopted by Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_ **6-1-2011** \_\_\_\_\_

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