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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 10, 2011

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform was scheduled for Thursday, November 10, 2011, at 12:30 p.m., in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported HB 4293 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 2) Reported SB 194 (S-5) with recommendation and immediate effect.
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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Rocca, Sen.(s) Jones, Hune, Pavlov, and Warren, a quorum.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the minutes of the September 22, 2011, committee meeting. Sen. Meekhof so moved. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Mark Docherty from the Michigan Firefighters Union to testify in support of HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman invited Joseph Grutza from the Michigan Bureau of Fire Services to testify in support of HB 4293 and SB 194.

At 1:05 p.m. Sen.(s) Meekhof and Johnson entered the meeting.

The Chairman invited Dan Peart of Phantom Fireworks to provide the committee with neutral testimony on HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman invited Elissa Burta from Burta Brothers Inc. to testify in support of HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman invited Andy Web from Captain Boom Fireworks to testify in support of HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman invited Tom Frazier representing the Michigan Townships Association to testify regarding HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman invited James Stajos and Ben Bakken from Bigfireworks to testify in support of HB 4293 and SB 194.

The Chairman read the cards of those not wishing to testify into the record.

Support:

Dominick Pallone, TNT Fireworks

Eric Rule, MI Retailers Association

Dave Weisenberg, Michigan Professional Firefighters Union

Rob Elhericky, Wall Mart

Mike Gallagher, Spartan Stores

Don Bigger, Michigan Fire Service Instructors

Dave Purchase, Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs

Neutral:

Stacie Behlar, Meijer

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Jones to adopt amendment #1 to HB 429,3 offered by Sen. Rocca.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Rocca, Jones, Hune, Meekhof, Pavlov, Johnson and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Jones to adopt amendment #2 to HB 4293, offered by Sen. Rocca.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Rocca, Jones, Meekhof, Johnson and Warren

Nays: Sen. Hune

Pass: Sen. Pavlov

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Warren to report HB 4293 as a clean sub with recommendation.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Rocca, Jones, Hune, Meekhof, Pavlov, Johnson and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Jones to recommend immediate effect for HB 4293 (S-1). Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Meekhof to adopt the (S-5) substitute to SB 194, offered by Sen. Rocca.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Rocca, Jones, Hune, Meekhof, Pavlov, Johnson and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Jones to report SB 194 (S-5) with recommendation.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Rocca, Jones, Hune, Meekhof, Pavlov, Johnson and Warren

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Johnson to recommend immediate effect for SB 194 (S-5). Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m., on a voice vote, without objection.

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

Date Adopted by Committee: 12-8-11