



## THE SENATE

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### MINUTES

A joint meeting of the Senate Insurance Committee and the Senate Health Policy Committee was held on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room in the Boji Tower. The Senate Insurance Committee was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Hune (C), Marleau, Brandenburg, Hansen, Robertson, Smith, Bieda

Excused:

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

Presentations regarding the Michigan Health Exchange stakeholder work group process and recommendations.

Senator Marleau welcomed Peter Pratt from Public Sector Consultants who provided testimony overviewing the Final Report of the Stakeholder Work Group Recommendations regarding: Michigan Health Insurance Exchange Planning.

Senator Hune entertained a motion by Senator Brandenburg to adopt the minutes from the May 10, 2011 Insurance Committee meeting. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

Senator Marleau welcomed Rob Fowler from the Small Business Association of Michigan who spoke in support of having Michigan create its own Health Exchange.

Senator Marleau welcomed Wendy Block from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce who spoke in support of having Michigan create its own Health Exchange.

Senator Marleau welcomed Bonnie Bochniak from the Michigan Business and Professional Association who spoke in support of having Michigan create its own Health Exchange.

Senator Marleau welcomed Don Hazaert from the Michigan Consumers for Healthcare Advancement and Jan Hudson from the Michigan League for Human Services who spoke in support of having Michigan create its own Health Exchange.

Senator Marleau noted that Delaney Newberry from the Michigan Manufacturers Association submitted a card in support but didn't wish to speak.

Senator Marleau welcomed Bret Jackson from the Economic Alliance for Michigan who spoke in support of having Michigan create its own Health Exchange.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Hune adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:14 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: \_\_\_\_\_10-4-2011\_\_\_\_\_

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