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AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

SENATOR JOE HUNE, CHAIRMAN

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Agriculture Committee was held on Thursday, March 8, 2012, at 8:33 a.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 110.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Hune (C), Booher, Emmons, Hansen, Gleason

Excused: None

Absent: None

Senator Booher motioned that the committee adopt the minutes of November 3, 2011.
Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Hune announced the order of business:

- HB 4663 (Rep. Glardon) – Agriculture; other; registration of farm names; repeal.
- HB 5130 (Rep. Denby) – Food; service establishments; food services laws and regulations; modify.

Rep. Glardon and Derek Bajema of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) gave verbal testimony explaining HB 4663 and then answered questions from committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak on HB 4663:

- Tonia Ritter, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support

Rep. Denby gave verbal testimony, supported by Derek Bajema and Kevin Bessey of MDARD, explaining HB 5130 and then answered questions from committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak on HB 5130:

- Tonia Ritter, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support
- Justin Winslow, Michigan Restaurant Association – Support
- Larry Julian, Michigan Agriculture and Tourism Association – Support
- Linda Gobler, Michigan Grocers Association – Support

Senator Booher motioned to report with recommendation HB 4663.

Yeas: Hune, Booher, Emmons, Hansen, Gleason

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gleason motioned to recommend immediate effect to HB 4663.

Without objection, the motion prevailed with unanimous support.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Hune adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:21 a.m.

Date approved by the Committee: March 15, 2012

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