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**The Senate Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security
Joint hearing with the Senate Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs
And House Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs**

A joint meeting of the Senate Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security, the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs, and the House Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs was held Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the Capitol Building, Rooms 402 and 403.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Senator Moolenaar.

Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security:

Members present: Senators Moolenaar, Papageorge, Emmons, and Gregory
Members absent: Senator Smith
Members excused: None

Senator Moolenaar called the Senate Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security to order.

Senator Colbeck called the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs to order.

Representative MacGregor called the House Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs to order.

Senator Colbeck announced that the topic of the meeting would be services for returning veterans.

The following people testified on the topic and answered questions from committee members:

- Major General Gregory Vadnais, Adjutant General of Michigan National Guard, Director of Military and Veterans Affairs for Michigan
- Brigadier General Michael Stone, Assistant Adjutant General, Michigan National Guard
- Joel Wortley, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Jason Allen, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
- Douglas Williams, American Legion
- Major General Robert Smith, Director of Veterans' Services Division of the Workforce Development Agency of the State of Michigan (also submitted written testimony)

Senator Pappageorge adjourned the Senate Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security at 4:30 p.m.

Senator Colbeck adjourned the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs at 4:30 p.m.

Representative MacGregor adjourned the House Appropriations Sub-Committee on State Police and Military Affairs at 4:30 p.m.

Date Approved by Committee: February 7, 2012

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