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MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Education held a meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at 12:00 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower. Senator Pavlov called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons, Colbeck, Hopgood, and Young

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Pavlov announced the order of business for the Education Committee:

- Adoption of December 6, 2011, minutes
- HB 4496 Rep. Walsh Higher education; community colleges; granting of baccalaureate degrees in certain fields; allow.

Senator Colbeck made a motion to adopt the minutes of the December 6, 2011, committee meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov announced the next order of business was House Bill 4496

The following individuals offered testimony in opposition to House Bill 4496:

- David Eisler, President, Ferris State University
- Susan Martin, President, Eastern Michigan University
- Dr. Ed Blews President of the Association of Independent Colleges & Universities of Michigan.
- Dr. Antoine Giribaldi, President, University of Detroit Mercy
- Len Wolfe, Attorney, Dykema Gossett PLLC
- David Gordon, MD, Dean, School of Health Professions and Studies, University of Michigan-Flint
- Huey-Ming Tzeng, PhD, Associate Professor & Assistant Director of Nursing School of Health Professions and Studies, University of Michigan-Flint

- Sue Idczak, PhD, RN, CNE, Director of Nursing, Siena Heights University
- Kay Wagner and Colleen Markel, Mid-Michigan Health

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in opposition to the bill:

- Michelle Lange, Oakland University
- Chad Wing, Eastern Michigan University
- Robert LeFevre, Macomb Intermediate School District
- Greg Bird, Wayne State University
- Judy Allen, Oakland Schools
- Jerry Johnson, Genesee ISD
- Beck Rocho, Calhoun Berry Branch ISD
- Cynthia Wilbanks, University of Michigan
- Don Olendorf, MI small and Rural Schools, ESA Legislative Group
- Cynthia McCurren, Michigan Association of Colleges of Nursing
- Mickey Knight, Knight Consulting, Michigan Tech University
- David Lossing, University of Michigan Flint

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill:

- Tom Quinn, President, Kirtland Community College
- Chris Mitchell, Michigan Health & Hospital Association
- Dr. Daniel Phelan, Jackson Community College
- Jason Valente and Cindy Allen, Jackson Community College
- Sharon Miller, Oakland Community College
- Mary Kay Thayer, Chairman MI Community College Association
- Dr. David Mathews, Southern Michigan College
- Eric Williams, Grand Rapids Community College
- Conway A. Jeffress, Schoolcraft College

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Pavlov adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:48 p.m.

Date Approved: February 1, 2012

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