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A joint meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee and the House Commerce Committee was held on Monday, August 5, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fountain Lounge, Student Center, University of Detroit Mercy, 4001 West McNichols Road, Detroit, MI 48221.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Economic Development Committee:

Members Present: Senators Kowall (C), Nofs, Smith

Members Absent: Senators Hildenbrand, Emmons, Hansen, Ananich

Senator Kowall called the Senate Committee on Economic Development to order.

Senator Kowall welcomed those in attendance and announced the order of business:

- A Discussion on the Future of Detroit's Economic Development

Senator Kowall announced a change in the agenda of presenters to the committee.

Senator Kowall turned the gavel over to Senator Smith to chair the committee meeting. Senator Smith gave opening remarks on the topic before the committee.

Senator Smith called for the following persons to give presentations to and to answer questions from committee members:

- Dr. Pam Zerkowski, University of Detroit Mercy
- Tricia Keith/Mark Cook, Blue Cross Blue Shield
- George Jackson, Detroit Economic Growth Corp.
- Ben Erulker and Maureen Krauss, Detroit Regional Chamber
- John Jamian, Detroit Wayne County Port Authority
- Dan Carmody, Eastern Market Corp.
- Robert Gregory, Downtown Detroit Partnership
- Scott Viciana, Ventower Industries
- Carla Miller-Walker, Walker-Miller Energy Services
- David Carroll, Quicken Loans/Rock Ventures
- Jim McBryde & Peter Anastor, Michigan Economic Development Corporation

Senators Smith and Kowall gave closing remarks to the committee on the day's presentations.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the Senate Economic Development Committee without objection at 12:37 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: September 6, 2013

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