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Senate Committee on Judiciary
Minutes

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Members present: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda
Members excused: none

Senator Jones called the meeting to order and announced the order of business for the meeting:

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| HB 4344 Rep. Stallworth | Law enforcement; other; population threshold for purpose of defining fire arson investigator as a police officer under the commission on law enforcement standards act; revise to not less than 600,000. |
| HB 4525 Rep. Graves | Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for certain crimes; modify crime class categories. |
| SB 311 Sen. Bieda | Crimes; penalties; penalties for selling tobacco product to minor; increase. |

Senator Bieda moved to adopt the minutes from August 27, 2013 with unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Jones placed before the committee HB 4344. Carolyn Burns, Chief of staff for Rep. Stallworth, and Kenneth Cole, on behalf of the City of Detroit, were called forward to explain the legislation.

The following persons submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to speak, on HB 4344:

- Sgt. Dwayne Gill, Michigan State Police – Support

Senator Bieda moved that HB 4344 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Rocca, Bieda (3/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Schuitmaker (1)

Senator Bieda moved the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that HB 4344 be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Jones placed before the committee HB 4525. Senator Jones called forward Representative Graves and Kelly Casper, of the Wayne County Prosecutor's office, to explain the legislation.

The following persons submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to speak, on HB 4525:

- Mike Pandy, Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan – Support

Senator Bieda moved that HB 4525 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: none (0)

Senator Schuitmaker moved the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that HB 4525 be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

Senator Jones placed before the committee SB 311. Senator Jones called forward Senator Bieda and Steve Koski, of Senator Bieda's office, to explain the legislation.

The following persons submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to speak, on SB 311:

- Sgt. Dwayne Gill, Michigan State Police – Support

Senator Shuitmaker moved that SB 311 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Bieda (4/4)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: none (0)

Senator Schuitmaker moved the committee recommend immediate effect. Without objection, the committee further recommended that SB 311 be given immediate effect by unanimous consent.

With no further business before the committee, Senator Jones adjourned the committee without objection at 11:38 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: September 17, 2013

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