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SENATOR JOHN MOOLENAAR,
CHAIRMAN

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 210. The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senator(s) Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory, and Smith
Absent: None
Excused: None

Senator Moolenaar announced the order of business:

- Adopt Minutes of February 26, 2013
- HB 4037 (Rep. Jenkins) – Traffic control; driver license; designation of veteran status on driver license; provide for.
- SB 219 (Sen. Booher) – State; identification cards; veteran designation on state identification cards; allow.

The Chairman, Senator Moolenaar, led the members and audience of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Senator Pappageorge, supported by Senator Emmons, moved to adopt the minutes of February 26, 2013. Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Moolenaar invited Senator Booher forward to testify concerning SB 219. Senator Booher then answered questions for committee members.

The following people also gave verbal testimony to the committee in support of SB 219 and HB 4037:

- Steve Kozera, Legislative Liason for the Department of Veterans Military Affairs

- Dan Crocker, Michigan Veterans Coalition
- David Richmond, Secretary of State

The following people submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to speak in support of SB 219 and HB 4037:

- Ben Bodkin, Michigan Association of Counties
- Lino Pretto, Purple Heart, Commanders Group, American Legion, Marine Corp League

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Papageorge, that the committee report with recommendation SB 219.

Yeas: Senators Moolenaar, Papageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappageorge, supported by Senator Gregory, motioned that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB 219.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Moolenaar invited Steve Kozera, Legislative Liason for the Department of Veterans Military Affairs, forward to testify concering HB 4037. Mr. Kozera then answered questions for committee members.

Senator Smith motioned, supported by Senator Emmons, that the committee report with recommendation HB 4037.

Yeas: Senators Moolenaar, Papageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Emmons, supported by Senator Gregory, motioned that the committee recommend immediate effect to HB 4037.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Moolenaar adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved by the Committee: May 14, 2013

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