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**Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes**  
**Minutes**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes was held Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Members present: Senators Casperson, Pavlov, Green, Kowall, Meekhof, Warren

Members excused: Senator Hood

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Senator Casperson called the meeting to order and led committee and audience members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Casperson announced the order of business for the day:

- Adopt Minutes
- Presentation on Growing the Forest Products Industry in Michigan/Industry Overview

Senator Meekhof moved to adopt the minutes from February 21, 2013 with unanimous consent. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Green entered the committee room at 9:05 a.m.

Senator Casperson called forth the following to give a presentation and answer questions on Growing the Forest Products Industry in Michigan/Industry Overview:

- Mike Sussman, Michigan Forest Products Council Chairman, and Verso Paper

Senator Pavlov entered the committee room at 9:15 a.m.

Senator Warren moved to excuse absent members. Without objection, absent members were excused.

Senator Casperson adjourned the committee without objection at 9:24 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: April 11, 2013

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