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## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES October 15, 2013

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security was scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013, at 1:00 p.m., in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

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### The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported HB 4605 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect
- 2) Reported HB 4731 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect
- 3) Reported HB 4752 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect
- 4) Reported HB 4754 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect
- 5) Reported HB 4756 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. The following members were present; Chairman Moolenaar, Sen.(s) Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith, a quorum.

The Chairman invited Rep. Franz to summarize HB 4731 for the committee.

The Chairman invited Rep. Darany to summarize HB 4754 for the committee.

The Chairman invited Rep. Kosowski to summarize HB 4752 for the committee.

The Chairman then invited Steve Kozera, Legislative Liaison, and LTC John Wojcik to provide testimony on HB 4605, HB 4731, HB 4752, HB 4754 and HB 4756. They are in support of the bills.

The Chairman invited Holly Hughes, former State Representative, to provide testimony on HB 4605, HB 4731, HB 4752, HB 4754 and HB 4756. She is in support of the bills.

The Chairman invited Janelle Theisen, representing Rep. Rendon's office, to summarize HB 4756 for the committee.

The Chairman invited Whitney Wolcott from the Disabled American Veterans to provide testimony on HB 4605, HB 4731, HB 4752, HB 4754 and HB 4756. He is in support of the bills.

The following people submitted testimony cards on HB 4605, HB 4731, HB 4752, HB 4754 and HB 4756, but did not wish to speak. The Chairman read them aloud into the record:

Robert Barton, Disabled American Veterans – Support

Lino Pretto, Purple Heart, American Legion, Marine Corp League, Commanders Group – Support

Ingrid Tighe, Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency – Support

Michael Deprez, Bureau of Fire Services/LARA – Supports HB 4731  
Alesha Gensler, LARA – Supports HB 4752, HB 4754, HB 4756  
Lee Schwartz, Home Builders – Supports HB 4756

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the minutes from the September 17, 2013 meeting. Sen. Pappageorge so moved, supported by Sen. Gregory. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to HB 4605. Sen. Smith so moved, supported by Sen. Emmons.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4605 (S-1) with the recommendation that it then pass. Sen. Pappageorge so moved, supported by Sen. Gregory.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4605 (S-1). Sen. Smith so moved. On a voice vote, without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to HB 4731. Sen. Emmons so moved, supported by Sen. Gregory.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4731 (S-1) with the recommendation that it then pass. Sen. Pappageorge so moved, supported by Sen. Smith.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4731 (S-1). Sen. Gregory so moved. On a voice vote, without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to HB 4752. Sen. Emmons so moved, supported by Sen. Pappageorge.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4752 (S-1) with the recommendation that it then pass. Sen. Gregory so moved, supported by Sen. Smith.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4752 (S-1). Sen. Emmons so moved. On a voice vote, without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to HB 4754. Sen. Pappageorge so moved, supported by Sen. Emmons.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4754 (S-1) with the recommendation that it then pass. Sen. Gregory so moved, supported by Sen. Smith.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4754 (S-1). Sen. Pappageorge so moved. On a voice vote, without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to HB 4756. Sen. Pappageorge so moved, supported by Sen. Emmons.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4756 (S-1) with the recommendation that it then pass. Sen. Smith so moved, supported by Sen. Gregory.

Yeas: Sens. Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4756 (S-1). Sen. Pappageorge so moved. On a voice vote, without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m., on a voice vote, without objection.

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

Date Adopted by Committee: 11/12/2013