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**MINUTES**

A meeting of the Senate Health Policy Committee was held on Wednesday, January 29, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

Senator Marleau called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Jones, Warren, and Ananich

Absent:

Excused: Senators Emmons, Hune, Schuitmaker, and Johnson

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

- Adopt the minutes from the January 24, 2014 meeting
- SB 713 (Sen. Booher) – Mental health; community mental health; powers of governing board of a community mental health services authority; expand.
- HB 4941 (Rep. Haines) – Occupations; nurses; expiration date for issuance of temporary license to nurses licensed in Canada; remove.
- SB 446 (Sen. Booher) – Health facilities; hospitals; requirements applicable to hospitals providing extended care services through swing beds; clarify.
- SB 617 (Sen. Marleau) – Health; disabilities; brain injury law of Michigan; create.

The Chairman invited forward Senator Booher, joined by Donald Tanner of the Benzie County Board of Commissioners and Joseph Johnston of Centra Wellness Network, to explain Senate Bill 713 and answer questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards wishing to speak concerning Senate Bill 713:

- Mark Reinstein, Mental Health Association in Michigan – Oppose

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning Senate Bill 713:

- Christine Shearer, Michigan Association of Health Plans – Support
- Gail Lanphear, Association for Children’s Mental Health – Oppose
- Susan McParland, Michigan Association for Children with Emotional Disorders – Oppose
- Linda Burghardt, National Alliance on Mental Illness – Oppose
- Chris Rodriguez, Michigan Protection and Advocacy – Oppose

The Chairman recessed the meeting at 9:27 a.m. and reconvened at 9:28 a.m.

The Chairman next explained Senate Bill 617, as well as the S-1 substitute, and answered questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning House Bill 4941:

- Kit Murphy, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) – Support

Senator Robertson offered a motion to report House Bill 4941 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Jones, Warren, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Ananich offered a motion to recommend the bill be given immediate effect; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Jones offered a motion to report Senate Bill 446 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Jones, Warren, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Warren offered a motion to recommend the bill be given immediate effect; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson offered a motion to adopt the S-1 substitute to Senate Bill 617.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Jones, Warren, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed

Senator Robertson offered a motion to report Senate Bill 617 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Jones, Warren, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson offered a motion to recommend the bill be given immediate effect; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Warren made a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 23, 2014 meeting and, without objection, they were adopted.

Senator Jones motioned to excuse absent members and, without objection, they were excused.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Marleau adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:41 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: 2/4/2014

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