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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Local Government and Elections was held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Members present: Senators Robertson (C), Meekhof, Brandenburg, and Young
Members absent: None
Members excused: None

Senator Robertson announced the agenda for the day:

- Adoption of the minutes from the February 26, 2014 meeting
- SB 687 Sen. Boohar Local government; public services; termination of utility services; prohibit under certain circumstances.
- HB 4513 Rep. Stanley Housing; housing development authority; requirement to offer vacant apartment to mobility-impaired tenants; provide for.
- HB 4918 Rep. Kelly Traffic control; parking; money received from the payment of certain parking violations; limit.

Senator Young made a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 26, 2014 meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson announced the next item on the agenda was Senate Bill 687. Senator Boohar gave members an overview of the bill.

The following individuals testified before members regarding SB 687, their position is indicated below:

- G. Ronald Vaughan, Supervisor, Cherry Grove Township—Support
- Robert Scarbrough, Charter Township of Haring—Support

- Dale H. Rosser, Clam Lake Township—Support
- Richard Pierson, Gull Lake Sewer & Water Authority—Support
- Marcus Peccia, City of Cadillac—Oppose
- John LaMacchia, Michigan Municipal League—Oppose
- Tom Frazier, Michigan Townships Association—Support

The following individuals submitted testimony cards indicating their position on SB 687 but did not wish to speak:

- Robert N. Soneral, Jr., Cherry Grove Township—Support
- Molly Whetstone, Haring Township—Support

As it was the first week the bill was on the committee's agenda, Senator Robertson informed members there would not be a vote taken on the measure at this meeting.

Senator Robertson announced the next item on the agenda was House Bill 4513.

The following individuals testified before members regarding HB 4513, their position is indicated below:

- Kathy McGathy, The Disability Network-Flint—Support

As it was the first week the bill was on the committee's agenda, Senator Robertson informed members there would not be a vote taken on the measure at this meeting.

Senator Robertson announced the next item on the agenda was House Bill 4918. Representative Kelly gave members a brief overview of the bill.

As it was the first week the bill was on the committee's agenda, Senator Robertson informed members there would not be a vote taken on the measure at this meeting.

Being no further business, Senator Robertson adjourned the committee without objection at 4:04 p.m.

Date Approved by Committee: March 26, 2014

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