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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
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A meeting of the Senate Committee on Appropriations was scheduled for Wednesday, December 9, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Harry Gast Senate Appropriations Room of the Capitol Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Reported HB 4095 (Rep. Pscholka) with recommendation and immediate effect.
2. Reported HB 5105 (Rep. Pscholka) with recommendation and immediate effect.
3. Reported SB 292 (Sen. Green) with recommendation and immediate effect.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Hildenbrand, Sen.(s) MacGregor, Proos, Schuitmaker, Booher, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek, and Young, a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Gregory supported by Sen. Hertel, to excuse absent members from the committee meeting. Without objection, Sen. Shirkey was excused.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. MacGregor, supported by Sen. Hopgood, to adopt the committee meeting minutes from November 4, 2015. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Next, the Chairman invited Bill Bowerman of the Senate Fiscal Agency, to give the committee an overview of HB 4095.

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify regarding HB 4095:

Scott Ward, West Shore Community College – Support
Dr. Robert Harrison, Lake Michigan College – Support

Next, the Chairman invited Steve Angelotti of the Senate Fiscal Agency, to give the committee an overview of HB 5105.

The following individuals testified before the committee regarding HB 5105:

Delaney McKinley, Michigan Manufacturers Association – Oppose

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify regarding HB 5105:

Scott Starr, State Budget Office – Support
Tony Stamas, Small Business Association of Michigan – Oppose
Andy Johnston, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce – Oppose

Amanda Fisher, NFIB – Oppose
 David Newman, Economic Alliance for Michigan – Oppose
 Wendy Block, Michigan Chamber – Oppose
 Brian O’Connell, GM – Oppose
 David Finkbeiner, Michigan Health and Hospital Association - Support

Next, the Chairman invited Sen. Proos and Kathryn Summers of the Senate Fiscal Agency, to give the committee an overview of SB 292.

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify regarding SB 292:
 Scott Starr, State Budget Office - Support

At 2:30 p.m., the Chairman recessed the committee until 3:00 p.m.

At 3:00 p.m., with Sen. Knollenberg now present, the Chairman called the meeting to order.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Booher, supported by Sen. MacGregor, to report HB 4095 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Schuitmaker, Booher, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hertel, Knezek and Young
 Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Booher, supported by Sen. Nofs, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4095. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Proos, supported by Sen. MacGregor, to report SB 292 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Schuitmaker, Booher, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hertel, Knezek and Young
 Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Marleau, supported by Sen. Knollenberg, to report HB 5105 to the floor with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, Booher, Hansen, Marleau, Stamas, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hertel, and Young
 Nays: Sen.(s) MacGregor, Proos, Schuitmaker, Green and Nofs
 Pass: Sen.(s) Hopgood and Knezek

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Marleau, supported by Sen. Stamas, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4095. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Proos, supported by Sen. Knezek to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 p.m. Without objection, the committee was adjourned.

Date Adopted by Committee: 1-27-16