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Senate Committee on Elections and Government Reform

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Elections and Government Reform was held on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. HB 4904 (Rep. McBroom) reported with recommendation and immediate effect
2. SB 189 (Sen. Casperson) testimony only
3. SB 190 (Sen. Robertson) testimony only

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Members present: Senators Robertson, Colbeck, Emmons, Shirkey and Hood

The Chairman called the meeting to order and announced the order of business for the meeting.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the minutes from September 24, 2015. Senator Colbeck so moved, without objection the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Representative McBroom to give an overview of HB 4904 to committee members.

The following people testified on House Bill 4904:

Mike Batterbee, Michigan Secretary of State – support
Chris Thomas, Michigan Secretary of State – support
Chris Swope, Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks – support

The following people turned in a card to indicate their position on House Bill 4904:

Tom Frazier, Michigan Townships Association – support
Casey Steffee, Michigan Association of Counties – support
Nikki Brown, Michigan Municipal League – support
Bill Zagman, Michigan Association of County Clerks – support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Shirkey to report House Bill 4904 to the floor with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Senators Robertson, Colbeck, Emmons, Shirkey and Hood (5/5)

Nays: None (0/5)

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect, without objection immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Senator Casperson to give an overview of SB 189 to committee members.

The following people testified on Senate Bill 189:

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District – support

Ed Maul, self – support

Dale McNamee, self – support

Jack Faulf, self – support

The following people turned in a card to indicate their position on Senate Bill 189:

Casey Steffee, Michigan Association of Counties – support

Tom Frazier, Michigan Townships Association – support

Wanda Stokes, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs – oppose

Chris Seppanen, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs – oppose

Charles Owens, National Federation of Independent Business – support

The Chairman gave an overview of Senate Bill 190.

The following people testified on Senate Bill 190:

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District

Ed Maul, self – support

Dale McNamee, self – support

Jack Faulf, self – support

The following people turned in a card to indicate their position on Senate Bill 190:

Casey Steffee, Michigan Association of Counties – support

Tom Frazier, Michigan Townships Association – support

Wanda Stokes, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs – oppose

Chris Seppanen, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs – oppose

Charles Owens, National Federation of Independent Business – support

With no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: 10/28/2015

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