



## THE SENATE

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## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES April 15, 2015

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Insurance was scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2015, at 12:30 p.m., in room 100 of the Farnum Building.

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#### The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported SB 248 (S-2) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 2) Reported SB 249 clean with recommendation and immediate effect.

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Smith, Bieda, and Young, a quorum was present.

The Chairman moved to adopt the committee rules for the 2015-2016 legislative session.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Smith, Bieda, and Young

Nays: None

The rules were adopted

The Chairman invited Jamie Zaniewski from the Senate Majority Policy Office to explain the (S-1) substitute to SB 248 for the committee.

The following individuals testified before of the committee regarding SB 248 and SB 249:

- Gabe Basso, Department of Insurance and Financial Services- Support
- David Finkbeiner, Michigan Health and Hospital Association- Oppose (248 only)
- David Richmond, Secretary of State – Support (248 only)
- Michael Dabbs, Brain Injury Association of Michigan – Oppose
- Former Representative Jim Howell, Himself – Oppose
- Amy Mass and Kurt Gallinger, Michigan Insurance Coalition – Support (248 only)
- Vince Consiglia, ABATE of Michigan – Oppose
- Matthew Kottman, citizen – Oppose (248 only)
- John Cornack, Coalition Protecting Auto No-Fault – Oppose (248 only)

- Natalie Kottman, citizen – Oppose (248 only)
- Peter Primar, ADVENT Home Medical – Oppose (248 only)
- Michelle Shafer, citizen – Oppose
- Scott Hummel, Michigan Association of Insurance Agents – Support (248 only)
- Heather Drake, AAA Michigan – Support (248 only)
- Peter Kuhnmuensch, Insurance Institute of Michigan – Support (248 only)

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify before of the committee regarding SB 248 and SB 249:

- Katie Jones, Allstate Insurance Company – Support (248 only)
- Carol Hutchenson, Farmers Insurance – Support
- Bethany Kleffman, CAPP – Oppose (248 only)
- Andrew Richmer, Rainbow Rehabilitation Centers Inc. – Oppose (248 only)
- Kenneth Cole, Detroit Medical Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Amanda Fisher, National Federation of Independent Business – Support
- Rob Anderson, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support (248 only)
- Terry Molvihill, Hope Network – Oppose (248 only)
- Kathleen Johnston, Michigan Disability Rights Coalition – Oppose
- Bill Flory, Michigan Association for Justice – Oppose
- Derek Dalling, National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors – Support
- Paul Welday, The Recovery Project – Oppose (248 only)
- Tory Hudson, Michigan Community Visiting Nurses – Oppose (248 only)
- Christine Tocco, Health Partners – Oppose (248 only)
- Ryan Sosnitza, Eisenhower Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Dan Bogosian, Eisenhower Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Christine Myran, Eisenhower Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Tim Mucha, Eisenhower Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Matt Ingram, Eisenhower Center – Oppose (248 only)
- Roger Essenmacher, Advent Home Medical – Oppose (248 only)

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Brandenburg to adopt the (S-1) to SB 248.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Smith, and Bieda

Nays: Sen.(s) Young

The motion prevailed and substitute was adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Smith to adopt the Smith amendment to SB 248 (S-1).

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Smith, Bieda, and Young

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Schmidt

The motion prevailed and substitute was adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Young to adopt the Young 1 amendment to SB 248 (S-1).

Yeas: Sen.(s) Young and Bieda

Nays: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, and Smith

The motion failed and amendment was not adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Young to adopt the Young 2 amendment to SB 248 (S-1).

Yeas: Sen.(s) Young

Nays: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, and Smith

Pass; Sen.(s) Bieda

The motion failed and amendment was not adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Brandenburg to report SB 248 (S-1) with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, O'Brien, Jones, and Smith

Nays: Sen.(s) Schmidt, Bieda, and Young

Pass: Sen.(s) Horn

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 248. Without Objection, immediate effect was recommended.

A clean (S-2) substitute was requested from the Legislative Service Bureau.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Smith to report SB 249 with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Brandenburg, O'Brien, Jones, and Smith

Nays: Sen.(s) Schmidt, Bieda, and Young

Pass: Sen.(s) Horn

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 249. Without Objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman adjourned the Insurance meeting without objection at 2:30 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 05/26/15