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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 5, 2015**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was scheduled for Thursday, November 5, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., in room 110 of the Farnum Building.

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**The agenda summary is as follows:**

1. SB 580 (Sen. Green) reported with recommendation and immediate effect
  2. HB 4843 (Rep. Pscholka) reported with recommendation and immediate effect
  3. SB 581 (Sen. Jones) reported S-1 with recommendation and immediate effect
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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) Jones, Schuitmaker, Colbeck and Bieda, a quorum was present.

The Chairman made a motion to adopt the minutes from October 27, 2015. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Representative Pscholka to give an overview of House Bill 4843.

The following people gave testimony to show their position on House Bill 4843:

Lori Mizwicki, self – support  
Brandi Hiyser, self – support  
Kerri Teachout, Berrien County Health Department – support

The Chairman read in the testimony cards for the following people for House Bill 4843:

Amy Dehner, Michigan State Police – support  
Judge Sue Dobrich, Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals – support  
Ben Bodkin, Michigan Sheriffs Association – support  
Mike Pendy, Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan – support  
Bill Kandler, Michigan Probate Judges Association – support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Bieda to report House Bill 4843 to the floor with recommendation that it then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Jones, Schuitmaker, Colbeck, Bieda

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Rocca

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 Nick Buggia from Senator Green's office to give an overview of SB 580.

The Chairman made a motion to report Senate Bill 580 to the floor with recommendation that it then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Jones, Schuitmaker, Colbeck, Bieda

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Rocca

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 gave an overview of Senate Bill 581.

The following people gave testimony to show their position on Senate Bill 581:

Sharon Denniston, Illumine Research, Analysis, and Consulting - support

The Chairman read in the testimony cards for the following people for Senate Bill 581:

Amy Dehner, Michigan State Police – support

Jean Doss, Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence – no position given

The Chairman made a motion to adopt the S-1 substitute to Senate Bill 581.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Jones, Schuitmaker, Colbeck, Bieda

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Rocca

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

The Chairman made a motion to report the S-1 substitute to Senate Bill 581 to the floor with recommendation that it then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Jones, Schuitmaker, Colbeck, Bieda

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Rocca

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

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

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman adjourned the Senate Committee on Judiciary without objection at 9:42 a.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: November 10, 2015