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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 7, 2015

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Agriculture was scheduled for Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 12:30 p.m., in room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported HB 4175 clean with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 2) Reported HB 4017 clean with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 3) Reported SB 144 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith, a quorum was present.

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

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith

Nays: None

The rules were adopted

The Chairman made a motion to excuse absent members. Without objection, Senator Green was excused.

The Chairman invited Representative Johnson to summarize HB 4175 for the committee.

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify before of the committee regarding HB 4175:

- Val Vail-Shirey, Michigan Equine Partnership – Support
- Matt Blakely, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development – Support
- Rebecca Park, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Booher to report HB 4175 with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4175. Without Objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Representative Farrington to summarize HB 4017 for the committee.

The following individuals testified before of the committee regarding HB 4017:

- Suzanne LaTour, Passport Pizza – Support
- Cheryl Becigneul, Macomb Feeding the Need – Support

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify before of the committee regarding HB 4017:

- Justin Winslow, Michigan Restaurant Association – Support
- Matt Blakely, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Smith to report HB 4175 with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4017. Without Objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Marty Fittante from Senator Casperson's office to summarize SB 144 for the committee.

The following individuals testified before of the committee regarding SB 144:

- Nicholas Derusha, Luce-Mackinac-Alger-Schoolcraft District Health Department – Support
- Matt Blakely and Kevin Bessey, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development – No Position

The following individuals turned in cards not wishing to testify before of the committee regarding SB 144:

- Justin Winslow, Michigan Restaurant Association – Neutral

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Schmidt to adopt the (S-1) to SB 144.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and substitute was adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Smith to report SB 144 (S-1) with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Schmidt, Booher, and Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 144. Without Objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman adjourned the Agriculture meeting without objection at 9:39 a.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 9/17/15