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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 18, 2015**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Appropriations was scheduled for Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Senate Appropriations Room of the Capitol Building.

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The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Ellen Jeffries overview of Governor Snyder's FY 2015-2016 budget.
2. Testimony regarding HB 4078.

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Hildenbrand, Sen.(s) MacGregor, Hansen, Stamas, Knollenberg, Booher, Schuitmaker, Proos, Nofs, Shirkey, Green, Marleau, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young, a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Nofs, supported by Sen. Marleau, to adopt the committee meeting minutes from the February 12, 2015. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Ellen Jefferies, Director of the Senate Fiscal Agency and her staff to provide an overview of Governor Snyder's 2015-2016 Budget.

The Chairman invited Bill Bowerman of the Senate Fiscal Agency to summarize HB 4078 for the committee.

The Chairman invited Sharon Schafer, Chief Financial Officer of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Steve DeBrabander, Grants Section Manager of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to answer questions regarding HB 4078 for the committee.

The Chairman invited Sen. Casperson to explain a handout he provided to the committee regarding HB 4078.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Hertel, supported by Sen. Hopgood, to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. Without objection, the committee was adjourned.

Date Adopted by Committee: 2-25-15