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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 27, 2015**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Appropriations was scheduled for Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., in the Senate Appropriations Room of the Capitol Building.

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The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Reported SB 343 (S-1) (Sen. Schuitmaker) with recommendation and immediate effect.
2. Reported HB 4391 (Rep. Lauwers) with recommendation and immediate effect.
3. Reported HB 4451 (Rep. Jenkins) with recommendation and immediate effect.
4. Reported HB 4470 (Rep. Hoadley) with recommendation and immediate effect.
5. Reported HB 4444 (Rep. Afendoulis) with recommendation and immediate effect.
6. Reported HB 4449 (Rep. Victory) with recommendation and immediate effect.
7. Reported HB 4568 (Rep. Pscholka) with recommendation and immediate effect.
8. Reported HB 4569 (Rep. Pscholka) with recommendation and immediate effect.
9. Recommended adoption of SCR 15 (Sen. Nofs).

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Hildenbrand, Sen.(s) MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young, a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Nofs, supported by Sen. Stamas, to adopt the committee meeting minutes from May 27, 2015. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

At 9:10 am, the Chairman recessed the committee

At 9:13 am, the Chairman reconvened the committee.

The Chairman invited Sen. Schuitmaker and Kathryn Summers to explain SB 343 and Sen. Schuitmaker's amendment.

The Chairman read the cards of those people not wishing to testify regarding SB 343:

Mickey Knight, Michigan Technological University - Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Schuitmaker, supported by Sen. Booher, to adopt amendment #1 to SB 343:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek

Nays: Sen. Young

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Schuitmaker, supported by Sen. Nofs, to report SB 343 as amended, as a clean sub, with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek, Young

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Hopgood and Knezek

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Next, the Chairman invited Bruce Baker of the Senate Fiscal Agency and Jamie Clover Adams, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, to provide an overview of HB 4391, HB 4451 and HB 4470.

The Chairman read the cards of those people not wishing to testify regarding HB 4391:

Rebecca Park, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support

Matt Selak, Michigan Sugar Company – Support

Maureen Watson-Bolger, Michigan Corn Growers Association – Support

Justin Clement Michigan Soybean Association – Support

Rebecca Park, Michigan Milk Producers Association – Support

Mike Wenkel, Potato Growers of Michigan – Support

Amy Frankman, Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association – Support

Dave Smith, Michigan Vegetable Council – Support

At 10:00 am, the Chairman recessed the committee for senate session.

At 11:30 am, the Chairman reconvened the committee.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Green, supported by Sen. Stamas, to report HB 4391 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. MacGregor, supported by Sen. Proos, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4391. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman read the cards of those people not wishing to testify regarding HB 4451:

Rebecca Park, Michigan Farm Bureau – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Green, supported by Sen. Stamas, to report HB 4451 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Knollenberg supported by Sen. Shirkey, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4451. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Green, supported by Sen. Stamas, to report HB 4470 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: Sen.(s) Hertel and Knezek

Pass: Sen.(s) Hansen Gregory, Hopgood, and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Schuitmaker, supported by Sen. Nofs, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4470. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Next, the Chairman invited Josh Sefton of the Senate Fiscal Agency to provide an overview of HB 4444.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Knollenberg, supported by Sen. Marleau, to report HB 4444 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: Sen.(s) Hertel and Knezek

Pass: Sen.(s) Gregory, Hopgood, and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Knollenberg, supported by Sen. Shirkey, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4444. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Next, the Chairman invited Josh Sefton of the Senate Fiscal Agency to provide an overview of HB 4449.

The Chairman invited Andy Such of the Michigan Manufactures Association to testify in support of HB 4449.

The Chairman read the cards of those people not wishing to testify regarding HB 4449:

Mark Stadt, DTE Energy – Support

Jason Griffen, Lafarge – Support

Bill Lievense, Michigan Chemistry Council – Support

Doug Roberts, Consumers Energy – Support

Jim Weeks, Michigan Municipal Electric Association – Support

George Carr, Wisconsin Electric Association – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Green, supported by Sen. MacGregor, to report HB 4449 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: Sen.(s) Booher

Pass: Sen.(s) Schuitmaker, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Green, supported by Sen. MacGregor, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4449. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Next, the Chairman invited Joe Carrasco and Bruce Baker of the Senate Fiscal Agency to provide an overview of HB 4568 and HB 4569.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Stamas, supported by Sen. Nofs, to report HB 4568 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Nofs, supported by Sen. Knollenberg, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4568. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Stamas, supported by Sen. Knollenberg, to report HB 4569 with recommendation that it pass. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg

Nays: None

Pass: Sen.(s) Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Stamas, supported by Sen. Marleau, to recommend immediate effect for HB 4569. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Next, the Chairman invited Sen. Nofs to summarize SCR 15 for the committee.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Nofs, supported by Sen. Hansen, to recommend adoption of SCR 15. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Proos, Booher, Schuitmaker, Green, Hansen, Nofs, Marleau, Stamas, Shirkey, Knollenberg, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Stamas, supported by Sen. Proos, to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Without objection, the committee was adjourned.

Date Adopted by Committee: