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JUNE 9, 2015

The Senate Education Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 8:30 a.m., in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) SB 279 – testimony only
- 2) SB 280 – testimony only
- 3) SB 33 – reported S-2 with recommendation and recommendation for immediate effect

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck, Knezek

Excused: None

Senator Knollenberg made a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 19, 2015 meeting; being no objection, the motion carried.

The Chair announced Senate Bills 279-80 were the next order of business and invited Senator Knollenberg to give members an overview of the bills.

The following individuals testified before members regarding their position on SBs 279-80:

- Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Superintendent, Royal Oak Schools—Support
- Julie Rowe, American Federation of Teachers-Michigan—Oppose (SB 280)
- Sharon Irvine, Chief Human Resources Officer, Warren Consolidated Schools—Oppose (SB 280)
- Tim Hughes, UAW—Oppose (SB 280)
- Jeremy Tripp, Michigan Corrections Organization—Oppose (SB 280)

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on SBs 279-80 but did not wish to speak:

- Dr. David Michelson, Michigan Education Association—Oppose
- Liza Estlund Olson, Service Employees International Union—Oppose (SB 280)
- Fran Brennan, Michigan AFL-CIO—Oppose (SB 280)
- Katie Kelley, Amalgamated Transit Union—Oppose (SB 280)
- Todd Tennis, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers-Michigan Conference—Oppose
- Cameron Fure, Michigan Nurses Association—Oppose (SB 280)
- Jennifer Smith, Michigan Association of School Boards—Oppose (SB 280)
- Michael L. Migrin, Michigan State Employee Association—Oppose (SB 280)
- Brian Whiston, Superintendent, Dearborn Schools—Oppose (SB 280)
- Nick Ciaramitaro, Michigan-American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees—Oppose (SB 280)
- Gary Naeyaert, Great Lakes Education Project—Support
- Tony Daunt, Michigan Freedom Fund—Support
- Brad Biladeau, Michigan Association of School Administrators—Support (SB 280)

The Chair advised members the bills would not be voted on at this meeting.

The Chair announced Senate Bill 33 was the next order of business. He reminded members testimony had been taken at the February 17, 2015 committee meeting, and announced there was an S-2 substitute before them. Anne Blankenhorn with the Senate Majority Policy Office gave members an overview of the changes in the S-2.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on SB 33 but did not wish to speak:

- Ben Williams, Department of Education—No position taken

Being no further testimony, Senator Knollenberg made a motion to adopt the S-2 substitute for Senate Bill 33.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck, Knezek

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Booher made a motion to report the S-2 version of Senate Bill 33 with recommendation that the bill be passed.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck, Knezek

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chair made a motion to recommend immediate effect be granted to the bill; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 9:50 a.m.

Date Approved: June 16, 2015

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.