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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
August 19, 2015

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology was scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., in The Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Adopt Minutes from August 13, 2015
- 3) Senate Bill 438 (Sen. Proos) - Energy; alternative sources; definition of renewable energy system; eliminate restriction on dams and pumped storage.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) : Nofs, Proos, Horn, Schuitmaker, Hune, Shirkey, Zorn, Hopgood, Knezek and Bieda, a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Proos to adopt the August 13, 2015 committee minutes. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Proos to adopt the S-1 Substitute to Senate Bill 438.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Nofs, Proos, Horn, Schuitmaker, Hune, Shirkey, Zorn, Hopgood, Knezek and Bieda

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

The following individuals gave testimony to indicate their position on Senate Bill 438:

Sarah Mulkkoff, Michigan Environmental Council – oppose
Ariana Gonzalez, Natural Resources Defense Council – oppose
Amy Heart, The Alliance for Solar Choice – oppose
Aaron Kraus, The Alliance for Solar Choice – oppose
Monica Martinez, Reuben – support
Daniel Zimmer, self – oppose
Brindley Byrd, Michigan Energy Efficiency Contractors Association – support
Brad Bartholomew, Michigan Energy Efficiency Contractors Association – support
Allan O’Shea, CBS Solar – oppose
John Sarver, Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association – oppose
Jeremy Zinn, Self – oppose
Melissa Anderson, Plymouth United Church of Christ – oppose
Brad Williams, Detroit Regional Chamber – support

The Chairman asked that the testimony cards from the following individuals be put into the record for Senate Bill 438:

Brett Little, self – oppose
Joshua Barclay, self – oppose
Nathan de Vries, self – oppose
Luke de Vries, self – oppose
Alexis Blizman, Ecology Center – oppose
Bryan Grochowski, Green Faith of Greater Lansing – oppose
Rory Neuner, MI Air MI Health – oppose
Jeremy Nash, self – oppose
Loren Hersey, self – oppose
Mark Cryderman, The Green Panel, Inc. – oppose
Thomas Holevinski, self – oppose
Courtney Bourgoïn, self – oppose
Donald King, self – oppose
Cody Grall, self – oppose
Jim Newman, ASHRAE – oppose
Mary Ann Kantrow, self – oppose
Daniel Kantrow, self – oppose
James Carter, Carter Law – oppose
Norma Bauer, self – oppose
Terry Link, Starting Now, LLC – oppose
Joseph Bellogowan, Clean Water Action – oppose
Brian Sullivan, Self – oppose
Dan Scherer, self – oppose
Kathy Smith, self – oppose
Karen Watson, self – oppose
James Hepfer, self – oppose
Barb Cherem, self – oppose

William Fullmer, self – oppose
Linda Prostko, self – oppose
Todd Tennis, Utility Workers Union of America – support
Joe Davis, IBEW – support
June Potter, Country Air and Solar Energy – oppose
Shorty Gleason, Michigan Building Trades – support
Mike Berkowitz, Sierra Club – oppose
James Ault, Michigan Electric and Gas – support
Robert Gordon, self – oppose
Corinna Servis, self – oppose
Craig Toeffler, self – oppose
Chad Gainor, Harbor Beach Chamber of Commerce – neutral
William Kidd, self – oppose
Brad Van Guilder, self – oppose
Donna Napolitano, Mechanical Energy Systems – oppose
Kenneth Rosenman, self – oppose
Julie Griess, self – oppose
Debra Rowe, Detroit Green Skills Alliance – oppose
Sunia Swartzendruber, self – oppose
Paul Colegrove, Firefly Farms – oppose
Sam Gomberg, Union of Concerned Scientists – oppose
Mike Linsea, Solar Winds Power Systems – oppose
David Prostko, Solar Winds – oppose
Steve Potter, County Air and Solar Energy LLC – oppose
Mike Forrest, Michigan Solar Solutions – oppose
David Coupland, self – oppose
Robert Always, self – oppose
Max Donovan, self – oppose
Nicholas Dreher, Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance – no opinion given

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman adjourned the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology without objection at 12:22 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 8/26/15