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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
August 26, 2015

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology was scheduled for Wednesday, August 26, 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 19, 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 10:10 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) : Nofs, Proos, Horn, Schuitmaker, Shirkey, Zorn, Hopgood, Knezek and Bieda, a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Proos to excuse absent members, without objection the absent members were excused.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Proos to adopt the August 19, 2015 committee minutes. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Hune joined the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

The following individuals gave testimony to indicate their position on Senate Bill 438: Marty Kushler, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy – no opinion given

Rick Coy, ABATE – no opinion given
 Larry Ward, Michigan Conservation Energy Forum – oppose
 Jim MacInnes, CEO of Crystal Mountain, UCPB – oppose
 Keith den Hollander, Christian Coalition of Michigan – oppose
 Irene Dimitry, DTE – support
 Nancy Poma, Consumers Energy – support
 Ed Comer, Edison Electric Institute – support
 Luke Harms, whirlpool – no opinion given
 Matt White, IGS Generation – oppose
 Brian Pageau, Midwest Energy Group – oppose
 Scott Viciano, Ventower – oppose
 Prasad Gullapali, Srienergy – oppose
 Nick Dreher, Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance – no position given
 Charlotte Jameson, Michigan League of Conservation Voters – oppose
 Tom Gallery, Leelanau Solar – oppose
 Shirley Kallio, Self –
 Daniel Mack, Johnson Controls – no opinion given

The Chairman called for a recess at 12:16 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:28 p.m.

The Chairman read in testimony cards from the following individuals for Senate Bill 438:

Beth Scholt, Wind on the Wires – oppose
 Mike Linsea, Solar Winds Power Systems – oppose
 Ross Draper, Fluid Process Equipment – oppose
 Judy Stone, Self – oppose
 Brian Dickons, Huron County, Oliver Township – oppose
 Gary Malchow, Bad Axe Hotel LLC – oppose
 Larry Pacini, self – oppose
 David Prostico – Solar Winds – no position given
 Gail Parson, E 2 Midwest Advocate – oppose
 Mara Herman MPH, Ecology Center – oppose
 Mike Berkowitz, Sierra Club – oppose
 Dan Worth, Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities – no opinion given

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman adjourned the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology without objection at 3:40 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 9/2/2015