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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2015

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology was scheduled for, Thursday, September 17, 2015, at 12:30 p.m., in The Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Excuse absent member
- 3) Adopt minutes from September 10, 2015
- 4) SB 437 (Nofs) Public utilities; electric utilities; electric utility's integrated resource plan and customer choice provisions; modify.

The Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s): Proos, Horn, Schuitmaker, Hune, Shirkey, Zorn, Hopgood, Knezek and Bieda, a quorum was present.

The Vice Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Horn to excuse absent members. Without objection, the members were excused.

The Vice Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Horn to adopt the September 10, 2015 committee minutes. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Vice Chairman read a statement from the Chairman about Senate Bill 437.

The following individuals gave testimony to indicate their position on Senate Bill 437:
Larry Makovich, IHS CERA – support

David Mengebier, Consumer Energy – support
Tim Sparks, Consumers Energy – support
Irene Kowalczyk, WestRock Company – oppose
John Dulmes, Michigan Chemistry Council – oppose
Jason Utton, NextEra – oppose
Matthew White, IGS Energy – oppose
William Stockhausen, Elk Rapids Hydroelectric – oppose
Victor Leabu, Whites Bridge Hydro – oppose
Thomas Vine, Viking Energy – oppose
Patricia Sharkey, Midwest Cogeneration Association – neutral
Robert Bernardi, Executive Energy Services LLC – oppose
Lee Mueller, Boyce Hydro – oppose
James Williams, Enercom Energy Inc. – no opinion given

The Vice Chairman read in testimony cards from the following individuals for Senate Bill 437:

Charles Owens, National Federation Independent Business – no opinion given
Tom Ihrig, Legacy Energy – oppose
Stephen Hultberg, Boyce Hydro LLC – no opinion given
Catherine Trefzer, Brio Energy Corp. – oppose
Nelson Turcolte, Black River LP – oppose
Ariana Gonzalez, Natural Resources Defense Council – oppose
Tony Daunt, Michigan Freedom Fund – oppose
Kim Laverty, Enercom Energy Inc. - oppose

Being no further business before the Committee, The Vice Chairman adjourned the Senate Committee on Energy and Technology without objection at 3:24 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 9/24/2015