



THE SENATE

AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE SENATOR JOE HUNE CHAIR

MEMBERS:

SEN. MIKE GREEN, VICE CHAIR
SEN. WAYNE SCHMIDT
SEN. DARWIN BOOHER
SEN. BERT JOHNSON, MINORITY VICE CHAIR

505 FARNUM BUILDING
P.O. BOX 30036
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48909-7536
PHONE: (517) 373-2420
FAX: (517) 373-2764

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES February 11, 2016

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Agriculture was scheduled for Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in room 110, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported SB 506 (Sen. Green) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 2) Reported HB 4408 (Rep. Crawford) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 3) Reported HB 4999 (Rep. McBroom) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 4) Reported SB 671 (Sen. Hansen) with recommendation that it be referred to the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Chairman Hune called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll.

Attendance for the meeting was recorded as follows:

Members present: Sen.(s) Hune ,Green, Schmidt, Booher, and Johnson
Members excused: None

A quorum was present. Sen. Johnson was not present at the time the roll was called.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Green to adopt the minutes of the September 17, 2015 meeting. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Rep. Crawford and Paul Burns, of Rep. McBroom's office, to provide an overview HB 4408 and HB 4999.

The following testified to share their position regarding HB 4408 and HB 4999:

- Rep. Kathy Crawford – support
- Paul Burns, Rep. McBroom – support
- George Carr, Michigan Veterinary Medical Association – support
- Karlene Belyea, Michigan Veterinary Medical Association – support
- Sandra George, Taxpayers and Office Managers – oppose

The Chairman then invited Sen. Green to provide an overview of SB 506.

Sen. Johnson arrived at committee at 9:33 a.m.

The following testified to share their position regarding SB 506:

- Matt Blakely, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development – neutral/no position

The following individuals submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to testify before the committee regarding SB 506:

- Mark Griffin, Michigan Petroleum Association – support

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Green to report SB 506 to the floor with recommendation that the bill then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Green, Schmidt, Booher, and Johnson

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Johnson to recommend immediate effect for SB 506. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Schmidt to report HB 4408 to the floor with recommendation that the bill then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Green, Schmidt, Booher, and Johnson

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Johnson to recommend immediate effect for HB 4408. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Booher to report HB 4999 to the floor with recommendation that the bill then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Green, Schmidt, Booher, and Johnson

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Johnson to recommend immediate effect for HB 4999. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman explained that SB 671 was referred the Committee, but that the bill would be better addressed in the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform.

The Chairman made a motion to report SB 671 with recommendation that it be referred to the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Hune, Green, Schmidt, Booher, and Johnson

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Being no further business before the Committee, the Chairman moved to adjourn the Agriculture meeting at 9:43 a.m. Without objection, the committee was adjourned.

Date Adopted by Committee: April 14, 2016