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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2016

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Insurance was held on Wednesday April 20, 2016 at 2:00 p.m., in Room 100 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported SB 625 (S-2) (Hansen) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 2) Testimony regarding HB 4933 (Barrett).
- 3) Testimony regarding HB 4934 (Kosowski).
- 4) Testimony regarding HB 4935 (Leonard).

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Hune, Sen. (s) Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Beida, Johnson and Young, a quorum was present.

The Chairman made a motion to excuse the absent members from the meeting. Without objection, Senators Brandenburg and Marleau were excused from the meeting.

Chairman Hune entertained a motion by Senator Schmidt to adopt the minutes from the March 23, 2016 meeting. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Senator Hansen to summarize SB 625.

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding SB 625:

- Dusty Fancher, Americas Health Insurance Plans – neutral
- Kristin Kraft, Blue Cross Blue Shield Michigan – oppose
- Mark Kay Makarewicz, MI Society of Hematology & Oncology – support
- Terry O'Donnell, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – support
- Christina Lee, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – support
- Wendy Block, Michigan Chamber of Commerce – oppose
- David Newman, Economic Alliance for Michigan – oppose
- Amanda Fisher, National Federation of Independent Business – oppose

- Dusty Fancher, Aetna Insurance – oppose
- Christine Shearer, MI Assoc. of Health Plans – oppose
- Lesia Liss, Health Alliance Plan - oppose

Being no additional testimony the Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Young to adopt the (S-2) version of SB 625. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Senators Hune, Schmidt, O'Brien, Horn, Jones, Bieda, Johnson and Young

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the (S-2) request was adopted.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Young to report SB 625 (S-2) to the floor with recommendation that it bill then. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Senators Hune, Schmidt, O'Brien, Jones, Bieda, Johnson and Young

Nays: None

Pass: Senator Horn

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Bieda to recommend immediate effect for SB 625. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Chairman Hune invited Phil Goodrich, staff of State Representative Leonard to summarize House Bills 4933, 4934 and 4935.

The Chairman invited the following individuals to present testimony regarding House Bills 4933, 4934 and 4935:

- Dominick Pallone, MI Assoc. of Health Plans – support
- Judy Hooyeng, MI Assoc. of Health Plans – support
- Fran Wallace – MI Assoc. of Health Plans – support
- Dr. Dan Spencer, DC, MI Assoc. of Chiropractors – support
- Carl Alden, MI Assoc. of Chiropractors – support
- Teri Morante, MI Department of Insurance and Financial Services – neutral

The Chairman invited the following individual to present testimony regarding House Bill 4934:

- Rick Lantz, Delta Dental – support

The Chairman read the cards of those individuals not wishing to testify before the committee regarding House Bills 4933, 4934 and 4935:

- Dusty Fancher, Aetna Insurance – support
- Dusty Fancher, Americas Health Insurance Plans – support
- Lisa Liss, Health Alliance Plan - support

Being no further business before the Committee, The Chairman moved to adjourn the Insurance committee meeting. Without objection, the committee was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee: 5/31/2016