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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 1, 2016**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Local Government was scheduled for Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at 1:00 p.m., in room 210 Farnum Building.

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**The agenda summary is as follows:**

- 1) SB 610 (S-1) (O'Brien) Reported with recommendation and recommended immediate effect
  - 2) SB 630 (Shirkey) – Testimony only
  - 3) SB 631 (Shirkey) – Testimony only
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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:01 p. m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Chairman Zorn, Senators Proos, Rocca and Young

Excused: Senator Brandenburg

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 23, 2016 Local Government Committee meeting. Senator Proos so moved. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Chairman Zorn invited Senator O'Brien's staff to give the committee an overview of the (S-1) substitute to Senate Bill 610.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card to indicate their position regarding Senate Bill 610:

- Brian Westrin, MI Realtors Assoc. – support
- Cami Pendell, MI Land Title Assoc. – support

Being no further testimony on Senate Bill 610, the Chair entertained a motion by Senator Proos to adopt the (S-1) substitute to Senate Bill 610:

Yeas: Sen. (s) Zorn, Proos, Rocca

Nays: None

Pass: Sen. Young

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

The Chair entertained a motion by Senator Proos to report Senate Bill 610 (S-1) with recommendation that it pass.

Yeas: Sen. (s) Zorn, Proos, Rocca

Nays: None

Pass: Sen. Young

The motion prevailed and bill was reported.

The Chair made a motion to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 610. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chair moved on to receive testimony on Senate Bills 630 and 631.

The Committee received testimony on Senate Bills 630 and 631 from the following:

- Tony Daunt, MI Freedom Fund – support
- Pete Lund, Americans for Prosperity – support
- Patrick McGow, Miller Canfield – oppose
- Bethany Smith, City of Jackson – oppose
- Patrick Burtch, City of Jackson – oppose
- Judy Allen – MI Townships Assoc. – oppose
- Ken Osbourn, MI Dept. of Treasury – no position
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The following individuals submitted a testimony card to indicate their position regarding Senate Bills 630 and 631:

- Kathleen Merry, Wayne RESA - oppose
- David Randels, Oakland Schools – oppose
- Bill Flory, MI Assoc. for Justice - oppose

The Chair entertained a motion by Senator Young to excuse the absent member, without objection the member was excused.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:49 p.m., without objection.

Date adopted by committee: 03/08/2016

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.