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MINUTES
May 5, 2016

A meeting of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2016 at 11:30 a.m., in room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported SB 809 (S-1) (MacGregor) with recommendation and immediate effect.
- 2) Reported HB 4796 (Franz) with recommendation and immediate effect.

Chairwoman O'Brien called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.

Attendance recorded as: Sens. O'Brien (C), Emmons, Colbeck, Zorn, Knezek

Excused: None

Senator Colbeck made a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 28, 2016 meeting. Being no objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Committee took additional testimony on SB 809. Chairwoman O'Brien discussed the (S-1) version of SB 809.

The following individuals gave testimony to indicate their position on SB 809:

- Jerry Lucksted, Veterans For Justice – support
- Jack Devine, Vietnam Veterans of America - support

Senator Knezek made a motion to adopt the (S-1) version for SB 809. The vote was as follows:

- Yeas: Senators O'Brien (C), Emmons, Zorn, Colbeck, Knezek
- Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

Senator Emmons made a motion to report the (S-1) version of SB 809 with recommendation that the bill pass. The vote was as follows:

- Yeas: Senators O'Brien (C), Emmons, Zorn, Colbeck, Knezek

- Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Chairwomen O'Brien made a motion to recommend immediate effect. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman announced the next order of business was voting on HB 4796.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card to indicate their position on HB 4796 but did not wish to speak:

- Steve Kozera, Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs – support
- Rhonda Grant, National Guard – support
- Mark Sutton, American Legion/Commanders Lodge – support
- Jack G. Devine, Vietnam Veterans of America – support

Senator Colbeck made a motion to report HB 4796 with recommendation that the bill pass. The vote was as follows:

- Yeas: Senators O'Brien (C), Emmons, Zorn, Colbeck, Knezek
- Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Zorn made a motion to recommend immediate effect; no objection was raised and immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business, the Chairwoman adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m., without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: 5/12/16