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The Senate Education Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 12:00 p.m., in Room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. SB 754 – SB 767 – Testimony only
2. SB 405 – SB 408 – Reported with recommendation for referral to Families, Seniors, and Human Services

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck, Knezek

Absent/Excused: None

Chairman Pavlov made a motion to adopt the minutes from the February 2nd, 3rd, and 16th, 2016 meetings; being no objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chair announced Senate Bills 754 – 767 were the next items of business on the agenda.

Anne Blankenhorn, policy analyst with the Senate Majority Policy Office, gave members an overview of the bills.

The following testified before members to indicate their position on SBs 754 – 767:

- Brad Biladeau, Michigan Association of School Administrators—Support
- Wendy Larvick, Department of Education—Generally supportive but has concerns

Senator Knezek left the committee room.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on SBs 754 – 767 but did not wish to speak:

- Kathleen Merry, Wayne Regional Educational Services Agency—Support

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- Emily Laidlaw, Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators—Support
- David Randels, Oakland Schools—Support
- Russ Pickell, Tri-County Alliance for Public Education—Support
- Rusty Merchant, Grand Rapids Public Schools—Support
- Chris Glass, West Michigan Talent Triange—Support
- Bob Kefgen, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals—Support
- Joe DeVault, Macomb Intermediate School District—Support
- Jerry Johnson, South Central Education Policy Consortium—Support

The Chair advised members a vote will be held at a future meeting.

Chairman Pavlov announced Senate Bills 405 – 408 were being considered for referral to the Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee.

Senator Knollenberg made a motion to report Senate Bill 405 with recommendation that the bill be referred to the Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Colbeck made a motion to report Senate Bill 406 with recommendation that the bill be referred to the Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Booher made a motion to report Senate Bill 407 with recommendation that the bill be referred to the Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Pavlov made a motion to report Senate Bill 408 with recommendation that the bill be referred to the Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 12:31 p.m.

Date Approved: March 8, 2016