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Senate Committee on Health Policy
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****Draft Minutes****

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Health Policy was held on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. in room the Senate Hearing Room in the Boji Tower.

The agenda summary is as follows:

1. SB 644 (Sen. Stamas) Reported with recommendation and immediate effect
2. SB 542 (Sen. Schuitmaker) Adopted S-1 substitute

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 p.m.

Members present: Senator(s) Shirkey, Hune, O'Brien, Marleau, Jones, Stamas, Robertson, Hertel, Knezek, Hopgood

Senator Hune moved to adopt the minutes from January 19, 2016, without objection the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Senator Stamas to give an overview of Senate Bill 644 to the committee.

The following people testified for their position on Senate Bill 644:

John Pirich, Honigman Business Law Firm – support

The Chairman read in the following cards to indicate a position on Senate Bill 644:

Kent Wood, Traverse City Chamber of Commerce – support

Jackie Krawczak, Alpena Chamber of Commerce – support

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Stamas to report Senate Bill 644 to the floor with recommendation that the bill then pass.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Shirkey, Hune, O'Brien, Marleau, Jones, Stamas, Robertson, Hertel, Knezek, Hopgood

Nays: None

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Stamas to recommend immediate effect. Without objection immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman invited Senator Schuitmaker to give an overview of Senate Bill 542 to the committee.

The following people testified for their position on Senate Bill 542:

Chris Priest, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services – have concerns
Geraldyn Lasher, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services – have concerns
Rick Murdock, Michigan Association of Health Plans – oppose
Gilda Jacobs, Michigan League for Public Policy – oppose
Abigail Nobel, self – oppose

The Chairman read in the following cards to indicate a position on Senate Bill 542:

Jean Doss, Center for Civil Justice – oppose
Amy Zaagman, Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health – oppose
Kristen Kraft, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan – oppose
Karlene Ketola, Michigan Oral Health Coalition – oppose
Denise Sloan, Academy of Pediatrics – oppose
Paige Fults, Michigan Health and Hospital Association – oppose
Sean Gehle, Ascension Michigan – oppose
Amanda West, Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan – oppose
Karole White, Michigan Association of Broadcasters – oppose

The Chairman entertained a motion by Senator Jones to adopt the S-1 substitute to Senate Bill 542.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Shirkey, Hune, O'Brien, Marleau, Jones, Stamas, Robertson

Nays: Hertel, Knezek, Hopgood

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

With no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

Date Approved by Committee: