

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON REDISTRICTING AND ELECTIONS

April 17, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

Chair Lund called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Lund, McBroom, Knollenberg, Tyler, Outman, Pscholka, Byrum, Nathan, Stanley,

Absent and excused: None.

Rep. Knollenberg moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 6, 2012. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Outman moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 13, 2012. The motion prevailed.

Chair Lund laid before the Committee the following bills.

SB 750 - Robertson - Campaign finance; statements and reports; failure to file certain campaign finance statements; modify penalties.

SB 751 - Robertson - Elections qualified voter file; active and inactive qualified voter file; create; require ballot tracker program to be used by local governments; and require secretary of state to send notice to an elector when receiving a surrendered state driver license of that elector.

SB 752 - Hansen - Elections; other; absent voting counting board; revise procedure, and require minor political parties to provide notice of county caucus or state convention to nominate candidates.

SB 753 - Brandenburg - Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for certain campaign finance crimes; create.

SB 754 - Jansen - Election; registration; photograph identification for in-person voter registration applicants; require and provide registration and training of third-party voter registration organizations.

SB 803 - Booher - Elections; voters; declarations of United State citizenship when voting or applying for an absent voter ballot; require.

SB 823 - Robertson - Elections; general amendments; provide for.

SB 824 - Robertson - Campaign finance; campaign practices; multisection revisions.

SB 825 - Robertson - Criminal procedures; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for certain Michigan election law violation; enact.

Chair Lund recognized Senator Robertson and his legislative aide Erika Farley to explain his bills and to answer question by the members of the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

Chair Lund recognized the following people who testified in opposition to SB 751, SB 754 and SB 803.

Susan Smith representing the League of Women Voters of Michigan
Melvin Butch Hollowell representing the NAACP of Detroit, Michigan

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of SB 750 - SB 754 and SB 803 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Chris Hackbarth representing the Secretary of State

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of SB 751, SB 752, SB 754, SB 803 and SB 823 with some concerns and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Mary Hollinrake representing the Michigan Association of County Clerks
Chris Swope representing the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of SB 823- SB 825 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Eric Doster representing himself

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of SB 751- SB 754 and SB 803 and SB 823 but did not want to testify.

Tom Frazier representing the Michigan Township Association

The following person filled out a testimony card stating a neutral position on SB 823 - SB 825 but did not want to testify.

Chris Hackbarth representing the Secretary of State.

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 751 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Nancy Bedell representing the Michigan Election Reform Alliance

The following people filled out a testimony cards in opposition to SB 754 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Philip T. Shepard representing the Michigan Election Reform Alliance
Melanie McElroy representing Common Cause of Michigan

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 751 and SB 754 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Anita R. Dawson representing A. Philip Randolph Institute

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 750 and SB 824 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Rich Robinson representing the Michigan Campaign Finance Network

The following people filled out testimony cards in opposition to SB 751, SB 754 and SB 803 and wanted to testify but there was insufficient time.

Patricia Selby representing Project Vote
Toine Murphy representing the NAACP of Detroit, MI
Christina Kuo representing the Michigan Nonprofit Association

The following person filled out a testimony card but did not state on what bills or his position that he would be testifying but there was insufficient time.

Bishop Bernadel Jefferson representing Stand Up for Democracy

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 751 and SB 754 but did not want to testify.

Felicia Wasson representing AARP

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The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 751 and SB 754 but did not want to testify.

Brittany Smith representing the Michigan AFL-CIO

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Emily Dievendorf representing Equality MI
Michael Keller representing the AFL-CIO Michigan
Shelli Weisberg representing the ACLU

The following person filled out a testimony card in opposition to SB 750- SB 754, SB 803 and SB 823-SB 825 but did not want to testify.

Jonathan Byrd representing LIUNA Michigan

With no further business to come before the Committee Chair Lund adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:30 a.m.

Representative Pete Lund, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk