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A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Wednesday, February 09, 2011, at 1:34 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 110.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter, Smith

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Kowall announced the order of business:

- Organizational Meeting - Adopt Committee Rules
- SB 20 Sen. Jones - Labor; health and safety; promulgation of rules regarding workplace ergonomics; prohibit.

Senator Hunter motioned, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, to adopt the 2011-2012 Senate Economic Development Committee Rules.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter, Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Jones, bill sponsor of SB20, gave verbal testimony explaining the bill. Senator Jones then answered questions from committee members.

Charles Owens representing the National Federation of Independent Business gave both verbal and written testimony in support of SB20. Mr. Owens then answered questions from committee members.

John Rupp Jr. representing the UAW gave verbal testimony opposed to SB20. Mr. Rupp then answered questions from committee members.

Delaney Newberry representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association gave both verbal and written testimony in support of SB20. Ms. Newberry then answered questions from committee members.

Douglas Earle retired and representing himself gave verbal testimony opposed to SB20. Mr. Earle then answered questions from committee members.

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The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of SB20 but did not wish to speak:

Lee Schwartz representing the Home Builders
Rob Anderson representing the Michigan Farm Bureau
Brian Kandler representing the Detroit Regional Chamber
Matt Miner representing the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents
David Palsrok representing the Small Business Association of Michigan
Andy Delony representing the Michigan Restaurant Association
Wendy Block representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce
Bonnie Bochniak representing the Michigan Business & Professional Association
Chris Fisher representing the Associated Builders & Contractors
Chris Glass representing the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce
Linda Gobler representing the Michigan Grocers Association

The following individual submitted a testimony card opposed to SB20 but did not wish to speak

Derrick Quinney representing Michigan AFL-CIO

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, to adopt senate substitute S-1 to SB20.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter, Smith

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, to report SB20 S-1 with recommendation.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen

Nays: Hunter, Smith

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, to give SB20 S-1 immediate effect.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen

Nays: Hunter, Smith

The motion prevailed.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the meeting without objection at 2:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

February 16, 2011

Date approved by the Committee

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