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DRAFT MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at 4:05 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 100.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons,

Excused: Hansen, Hunter, Smith

Absent: None

Senator Kowall announced the order of business:

- SB 12 Sen. Jansen - Employment security; employers; certain practices in the calculation of contribution rate; prohibit.
- HB 4408 Rep. Stamas - Employment security; administration; sanctions for violations; revise, and provide for certain deposits into and withdrawals from special fraud control fund.

Senator Hildenbrand motioned that the committee adopt the minutes of March 16, 2010.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Kowall announced that prior testimony had been submitted to the committee on SB12 on March 16, 2011. Senator Kowall asked the committee members and audience if anyone would like to submit new testimony on SB12, which there was none.

Wendy Block representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce submitted a testimony card in support of SB12 but did not wish to speak.

Senator Nofs motioned that the committee report SB12 with recommendation.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hildenbrand motioned that the committee give SB12 immediate effect.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Brian Shoaf, Legislative Aide to Representative Stamas (bill sponsor of HB4408), gave verbal testimony explaining the bill.

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, gave verbal testimony in support of HB4408.

Ms. Block then answered questions from committee members.

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The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of HB4408 but did not wish to speak:

Amanda Radaz representing the National Federation of Independent Businesses

Delaney Newberry representing the Michigan Manufacturers

Andy Deloney representing the Michigan Restaurant Association

Lee Schwartz representing the Michigan Association of Home Builders

Chris Fisher representing the Associated Builders and Contractors of Michigan

Linda Gobler representing the Michigan Grocers Association

David Jessup representing the Small Business Association of Michigan

Senator Nofs motioned that the committee report HB4408 with recommendation.

Yeas: Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hildenbrand motioned that the committee give HB4408 immediate effect.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved by the Committee: _____

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