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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee was held on Wednesday, October 26, 2011, at 3:03 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 210.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Emmons (C), Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Absent: None

Senator Emmons announced the order of business:

- SB 456 Sen. Young Financial institutions; savings banks; written disclosure of rights of account holders; require for joint accounts.
- SB 460 Sen. Young Financial institutions; credit unions; written disclosure of rights of account holders; require for joint accounts.
- SB 463 Sen. Young Human services; other; financial exploitation of vulnerable adult; include in definition of abuse, establish reporting requirements, and provide immunity from certain liability.
- SB 467 Sen. Jones Insurance; annuities; regulation of annuity sales; provide for.
- SB 604 Sen. Young Financial institutions; banks; written disclosure of rights of account holders; require for joint accounts.
- SB 605 Sen. Bieda Financial institutions; savings and loan associations; written disclosure of rights of account holders; require for joint accounts.
- SB 706 Sen. Gregory Insurance; life; use of senior-specific certification and professional designations by insurance producers; prohibit in certain cases.
- SB 777 Sen. Warren Insurance; annuities; life insurance and annuity replacement regulation; enact.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Gregory to adopt the minutes of October 19, 2011.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Schuitmaker gave verbal testimony explaining the elder abuse legislation and the Senate Substitutes. Senator Schuitmaker then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Young gave verbal testimony explaining the elder abuse legislation and the Senate Substitutes.

Senator Warren gave verbal testimony explaining SB777.

Senator Nofs gave verbal testimony explaining the amendments to SB466.

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The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the elder abuse legislation but did not wish to speak:

Judy Sivak, Kalamazoo Co. Advocates for Senior Issues and representing the Older Adult Services Advisory Council (all bills on agenda)

Mary Pollock, representing the Michigan State Employee Retirees Association (all bills)

Cami Pendell, representing the Michigan Judges Association (SB456, SB460, SB463, SB467)

Marcia Hune and Jordan Kingdon, representing the Michigan Credit Union League & Affiliates (SBSB460, 463 but still seeking some technical changes to SB460)

Ellen Hoekstra, representing the Elder Law & Disabilities Rights Section-State Bar of Michigan (SB 467, SB706)

Dave Worthams, representing the Michigan Association of Bankers (SB456, SB460, SB604, SB605)

Felicia Wasson, representing AARP (SB467, SB706, SB777)

Frank Venuto, representing the American Council of Life Insurers, and Larry Kish, representing the Life Insurance Association of Michigan, gave verbal testimony in support of SB467, SB706, SB777.

Scott Hummel, representing the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents, gave verbal and written testimony with concerns, but no official position, on SB706. Mr. Hummel then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB456.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee report SB456 S-1 with recommendation.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB456 S-1.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB460.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory, that the committee report SB460 S-1 with recommendation.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Gregory that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB460 S-1.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

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Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Nofs, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB463.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee report SB463 S-1 with recommendation.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB463 S-1.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee adopt Amendment #1 to the S-1 substitute to SB467.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory, that the committee adopt Amendment #2 to the S-1 substitute to SB467.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB467.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Gregory, that the committee report with recommendation SB467 S-1 as amended as a clean substitute.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB467 as amended as a clean substitute.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Nofs, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB604.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

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Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee report with recommendation SB604 S-1.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB604 S-1.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory, that the committee adopt the Senate Substitute S-1 to SB605.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee report with recommendation SB605 S-1.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB605 S-1.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Nofs, that the committee report with recommendation SB706.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Rocca motioned, supported by Senator Gregory that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB706. Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Gregory motioned, supported by Senator Rocca, that the committee report with recommendation SB777.

Yeas: Emmons, Rocca, Nofs, Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Rocca that the committee recommend immediate effect to SB777.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Emmons adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved by the Committee: 11/9/11

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