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## JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES February 17, 2011

A joint meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance and Senate Appropriations was scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 11:00 a.m., in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

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#### The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Presentation of the Governor Snyder's budget recommendation and recommended tax policy reforms.

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Chairman Kahn called the Appropriations Committee to order at 11:00 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Kahn, Sen.(s) Moolenaar, Jansen, Pappageroge, Booher, Caswell, Colbeck, Green, Proos, Schuitmaker, Walker, Anderson, Gregory, Hood, Hopgood, and Johnson, a quorum.

Chairman Brandenburg called the Finance Committee to order at 11:00 a.m. The following members were present; Chairman Brandenburg, Sen.(s) Jansen, Proos, Robertson, Bieda and Warren, a quorum.

At 11:02 a.m., the Chairman invited Governor Snyder, Lt. Governor Calley, and State Budget director John Nixon, to present the budget recommendation and recommended tax policy reforms to the joint committee.

At 11:40 a.m., the Chairman thanked the Governor for his testimony to the committee and the Governor left the meeting.

At 11:41 a.m., Lt. Governor Calley gave his testimony as a follow up on the tax policy issues.

At 11:55 a.m., State Budget director John Nixon gave his testimony on the state budget proposal.

The following members posed questions to which the witnesses responded: Sen. Kahn, Rep. Moss, Sen. Anderson, Rep. Horn, Rep. Lipton, Sen. Proos, Sen. Booher, Sen. Jones, Rep. Townsend, Rep. Meadows, Sen. Jansen, Sen. Caswell, Rep. Tlaib, Rep. Durhal, Rep. Genetski, Sen. Warren, Sen. Walker, Rep. Jackson, Rep. Lindberg, Sen. Bieda, Sen. Pappageorge, Rep. Leblanc, Rep. Walsh.

The Chairman thanked the Lt. Governor and Mr. Nixon for their testimony.

There being no further business before the Committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m., on a voice vote, without objection.

Date Adopted by Committee: 2-23-11