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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES February 8, 2012

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance was scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, 2012, at 12:30 p.m., in room 210 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Reported SB 930 with recommendation and immediate effect

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Sen.(s) Brandenburg, Jansen, Pappageorge, Proos, Robertson, Bieda and Warren, a quorum.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 25, 2012, committee meeting. Sen. Bieda so moved. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Senator Kahn to summarize SB 930 for the committee.

The Chairman invited those wishing to testify on the bill forward.

The following testified before the committee regarding SB 930:

Support:

Polly Reber, Michigan Distributors and Vendors Association

Oppose:

Stephen Rosenthal, RYO
Roberto Larrivey, That's How We Roll Tobacco
Kim Wiley, Roll-N-Save Tobacco
Alex Termini, In & Out Tobacco
Richard Beazley, Let's Roll Tobacco

Paul Weisberger, Smokers Outlet and Wild Bill's Tobacco
 Rob Bitz, Rollin' Smokes Tobacco
 William Harris, Rolling Smokes Inc., and Let's Roll Smokes LLC
 Tracy Tucker, Tobacco To Go
 Jim Cavanagh, RYO

Neutral:

Howard Ryan and Glen White, Treasury and Administration

The Chairman read the cards of those not wishing to testify before the committee into the record.

Support:

Tricia Kinley, Michigan Chamber
 Sarah Hubbard, Lorillard Tobacco
 Frank Venuto, National Tobacco

Oppose:

Joseph R. Schlitt, In & Out Tobacco
 Roxanne Cassone, Tobacco To Go of Clinton Township
 Michelle Bitz, Rollin Smokes
 Joseph Ball, Rollin Smokes/Lets Roll
 Mike Dodge, Rollin Smokes/Lets Roll
 Brett Quayle, Roll-N-Save Tobacco
 Patrick Brazil, That's How We Roll Tobacco Shop
 Jennifer Larrivey, Voters & Business Owners RYO
 Gino Vitella, U-Rollem Tobacco
 Joe Catenacci, In & Out Tobacco
 Jessica Kelly, Roll-N-Save Tobacco
 Bridgette Balasko, Roll-N-Save Tobacco
 Norman Ripelle. Citizen
 Paul Carne, WISUP LLC
 Will Carne, Smoker Friendly

Neutral:

Sgt. Dwayne Gill, Michigan State Police

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 930 with recommendation. Sen. Jansen so moved.

Yeas: Sen.(s) Brandenburg, Jansen, Pappageorge, Proos, Robertson, Bieda and Warren

Nays: None

The motion passed.

The Chairman entertained a motion from Sen. Proos to recommend immediate effect for SB 930. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m., on a voice vote, without objection.

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

Date Adopted by Committee: 2-22-12