



## THE SENATE

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## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES September 12, 2012

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance was scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2012, at 12:30 p.m., in room 100 of the Farnum Building.

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#### The agenda summary is as follows:

SB 805      Sen. Green      Property tax; exemptions; certain conservation easements; exempt.

SB 1148      Sen. Caswell      Economic development; plant rehabilitation; exception for tax abatements for certain local governmental units; provide for.

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:33 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 made a motion to adopt the minutes of the June 13, 2012, committee meeting. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Senator Caswell to summarize SB 1148 and answer questions for the committee.

The Chairman read the cards of those people who did not wish to testify regarding SB 1148:

- Brad Heffner, Michigan Economic Development Corporation – Support
- Nikki Brown, Village of Quincy – Support
- Eric Zuzga, Village of Quincy – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 1148 with recommendation, Sen. Jansen so moved.

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

Nays: Sen. Warren

The motion passed.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1148. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Next, the Chairman invited Senator Green and Julie Stoneman of the Heart of Lakes Center for Land Conservation to summarize SB 805 and answer questions for the committee.

The following people testified concerning SB 805 and answered questions for the committee:

- Chris Bunch, Six Rivers Land Conservancy – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards concerning SB 805 but did not wish to speak:

- Howard Ryan, Department of the Treasury – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 805 with recommendation, Sen. Bieda so moved.

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

Nays: Sen. Warren

The motion passed.

The Chairman made a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 805. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:48 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: September 19, 2012