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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Health Policy was held on Thursday, March 22, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

Senator Marleau called the meeting to order at 2:36 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker, Warren, and Gleason

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

- Adoption of the March 15, 2012 minutes
- HB 5131 Rep. Liss Health; pharmaceuticals; duties of prescribers and agents; clarify, and modify certain pharmacy practices.
- Presentation regarding brain injuries and their impact on Michigan residents.

Senator Robertson moved to adopt the Health Policy Committee minutes of March 15, 2012; without objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was House Bill 5131.

Representative Liss, the sponsor of the measure, introduced Dorothy Bernard and Diane Rutkowski, representing Beaumont Health System, who gave testimony in support of the bill.

The following people submitted cards supporting the legislation but did not wish to speak:

- Sean Gehle, Ascension Health – MI
- Melissa Samuel, Health Care Association of MI

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- Jim Cavanagh, Multi-State EPIC Pharmacies
- Chris Mitchell, MI Health & Hospital Association
- Andrew Schepers, MI State Medical Society
- Christine Shearer, MI Association of Health Plans
- Karen Jonas, MI Pharmacists Association

Senator Hune offered a motion to report House Bill 5131 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker, Warren, Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was a presentation regarding brain injury awareness.

Mike Dabbs, Brain Injury Association, and Lynn Brouwers, MI Brain Injury Providers Council gave a presentation on brain injuries and their impact on Michigan residents.

Senator Marleau adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:25 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: May 3, 2012

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