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Senate Committee on Insurance
****DRAFT MINUTES****

A meeting of the Senate Insurance Committee was held on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. in the Boji Tower Hearing Room. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senator(s) Hune (C), Marleau, Brandenburg, Robertson, and Smith.

Absent: NONE

Excused: Senator(s) Hansen and Bieda.

A quorum was established.

Senator Hune announced the order of business:

- HB 5156 Rep. Johnson Insurance; other; persons authorized to act as adjusters; modify.
- HB 5805 Rep. Lyons Insurance; health; health care sharing ministries freedom to share act; enact to recognize ministries and provide they are not engaging in the business of insurance.

The Chairman invited Jessica Scalabrino of Rep. Lyons' office, as well as Joe Guarino of the Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries, to explain HB 5805. Ms. Scalabrino and Mr. Guarino then answered questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning HB 5805:

- Jenita Moore, Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation – Support
- Dan Jarvis, Michigan Family Forum – Support
- Rebecca Mastee, Michigan Catholic Conference – Support

The Chairman invited Ben Fredrick of Rep. Johnson's to explain HB 5156. Mr. Fredrick then answered questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning HB 5156:

- Jenita Moore, Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation – Neutral

Senator Hune entertained a motion to adopt the minutes from the November 27, 2012 Insurance committee meeting. Senator Smith so moved. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

Senator Hune entertained a motion to excuse absent members. Senator Marleau so moved and, without objection, they were excused.

Chairman Hune entertained a motion to report HB 5156 with recommendation. Senator Brandenburg so moved.

Yeas: Senator(s) Hune (C), Marleau, Brandenburg, Robertson, and Smith.

Nays: NONE

The bill was reported.

Chairman Hune entertained a motion to give HB 5156 Immediate Effect. Senator Robertson so moved. Without objection HB 5156 was given Immediate Effect.

Chairman Hune entertained a motion to report HB 5805 with recommendation. Senator Smith so moved.

Yeas: Senator(s) Hune (C), Marleau, Brandenburg, Robertson, and Smith.

Nays: Senator(s).

The bill was reported.

Chairman Hune entertained a motion to give HB 5805 Immediate Effect. Senator Robertson so moved. Without objection HB 5805 was given Immediate Effect.

Seeing no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee:

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