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**SENATOR JOHN MOOLENAAR,
CHAIRMAN**

DRAFT MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at 1:03 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 210.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Moolenaar (C), Emmons, Gregory, and Smith

Excused: Pappageorge

Absent: none

The Chairman, Senator Moolenaar, led the members and audience of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Senator Moolenaar announced the order of business:

- HB 4284 Rep. Rendon - Crimes; disorderly conduct; certain conduct directed at funeral services; prohibit as disorderly conduct.
- HB 4745 Rep. Damrow - Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of disorderly conduct at a funeral; revise.

Senator Emmons, supported by Senator Gregory, motioned to adopt the minutes of September 20, 2011. Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Representative Rendon, bill sponsor of HB4284, gave verbal testimony explaining the bill and the Senate Substitute S-1. Representative Rendon then answered questions from committee members.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of HB4284, but did not wish to speak:

Lino Pretto, representing the Military Order of Purple Heart and the Commanders Group
Phil Douma, representing the Michigan Funeral Directors Association
Les Schneider, representing the Disabled American Veterans
Paul Stankewitz, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference

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Representative Damrow, bill sponsor of HB4745, gave verbal testimony explaining the bill. Representative Damrow then answered questions from committee members.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of HB4745, but did not wish to speak:

Lino Pretto, representing the Military Order of Purple Heart and the Commanders Group

Phil Douma, representing the Michigan Funeral Directors Association

Les Schneider, representing the Disabled American Veterans

Paul Stankewitz, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference

Senator Emmons motioned to excuse Senator Pappageorge.

Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Moolenaar adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved by the Committee:

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