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## MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Wednesday, September 18, 2013, in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m.

Members Present: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich  
Members Excused: None

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Senator Kowall called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Senator Ananich, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, moved to approve the minutes of September 6, 2013, and September 13, 2013. Without objection, it was so moved.

Senator Kowall announced the order of business:

- SB 397 (Sen. Casperson) – Economic development; other; next Michigan development act; modify.
- SB 398 (Sen. Casperson) – Economic development; other; next Michigan development act; modify.

Senator Casperson and James McBryde of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation came forward to explain SB 397 and SB 398, as well as answer questions for committee members.

The following people testified concerning SB 397 and SB 398:

- Jim McMaster, State Chairman of Taxpayers United – Oppose

The following persons submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak:

- Jim O'Toole, City of Escanaba – Support

Senator Nofs motioned, supported by Senator Smith, to report with recommendation Senate Bill 397.

Yeas: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

Excused: None  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Hildenbrand motioned to recommend immediate effect to Senate Bill 397.  
Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Senator Emmons motioned, supported by Senator Hildenbrand, to report with recommendation Senate Bill 398.

Yeas: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

Excused: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Ananich motioned to recommend immediate effect to Senate Bill 398.  
Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:53 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: September 25, 2013

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