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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Wednesday, January 29, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m.

Members Present: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich
Members Excused: Senator Emmons

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

Senator Kowall announced the order of business:

- SB 658 (Sen. Ananich) – Sales tax; collections; collection of sales tax by retailers; create a statutory nexus standard.
- SB 659 (Sen. Ananich) – Use tax; collections; collection of use tax by retailers; create a statutory nexus standard.

Senator Ananich, supported by Senator Nofs, moved to approve the minutes of January 24, 2014. Without objection, it was so moved.

Senator Kowall invited Senator Ananich to explain Senate Bill 658 and Senate Bill 659, as well as answer questions for committee members.

The following people testified before the committee concerning Senate Bill 658 and Senate Bill 659:

- Jim Hallan, Michigan Retailer's Association – Support
- Peter Rose, The Chelsea Group – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak concerning Senate Bill 658 and Senate Bill 659:

- Samantha Harkins, Michigan Municipal League – Support
- Paul Condino, AFPD – Support

- Stacie Behler, Meijer – Support
- Michigan Association of Counties – Support
- Howard Ryan, Treasury Administration – Neutral
- Bryan Harrison, Amway – Support
- Ryan Wardin, CVS Caremark – Support
- Sam Boumis, Kroger – Support
- Bo Brines, Little Forks Outfitters – Support
- Leanne Musket, J.C. Penny – Support
- Ian Evans, Home Depot – Support
- Linda Gobler, Michigan Grocers – Support
- Mary Engleman, Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce – Support
- Tim Elhert, Target – Support
- Barb Stein, Great Northern Trading Company – Support
- Matthew Norcross, McLean and Eakin Booksellers – Support
- Joel Kurzman, National Association of Chain Drug Stores – Support
- Erik Hingst and Jessica Savage, Walmart – Support

Senator Hansen, supported by Senator Nofs, motioned to excuse absent members and, without objection, it was so moved.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the meeting without objection at 2:19 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: February 12, 2014

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