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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 12, 2014

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Families, Seniors, and Human Services was held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 210.

The Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. She instructed the Clerk to call the roll. Attendance was recorded as follows: Sens. Emmons (C), Rocca and Nofs, a quorum.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to adopt the committee minutes of October 1, 2014. Sen. Nofs so moved. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairwoman moved to excuse absent members. Without objection, absent members were excused.

The Chairwoman invited Sen. Proos to summarize SB 1135 for the committee.

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding SB 1134:

- Kim Wadaga – Support

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding SB 1135:

- Amy Zaagman, MI Council for Maternal and Child Health – Support

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report SB 1134 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1134. Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report SB 1135 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1135. Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman invited Gary Muentner, from Rep. Kurtz's office, to summarize HB 4855 for the committee.

The following submitted a testimony card regarding HB 4855, but did not wish to speak:

- Bob Drake, DHS – Support in concept

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 4855 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Rocca so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4855. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding HB 5338 and HB 5341:

- Pat Clawson, representing himself – Oppose
- Karyn Ferrick, DHS – Support

The Chairwoman invited Mandy Bolter, from Rep. MacGregor's office, to summarize HB 5444 for the committee.

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding HB 5444:

- Robin Lott, Treasury and Michigan Education Trust – Support

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5444 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Rocca so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5444. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman invited Janelle Theisen, from Rep. Rendon's office, to summarize HB 5743 for the committee.

The Chairwoman invited Gary Muentner, from Rep. Kurtz's office, to summarize HB 5744 for the committee.

The following submitted a testimony card regarding HB 5743, HB 5744, HB 5745 and HB 5746, but did not wish to speak:

- Cathe Hoover, DHS – Support in concept

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5743 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5743. Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5744 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Rocca so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5744. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5745 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5745. Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5746 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Rocca so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, and Nofs

Nays: None

Excused: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5746. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business before the committee, Chairwoman Emmons adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:48 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: 12/3/14

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