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## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**December 3, 2014**

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

The Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 3:17 p.m. She instructed the Clerk to call the roll. Attendance was recorded as follows: Sens. Emmons (C), Rocca, Nofs and Gregory, a quorum.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to adopt the committee minutes of November 12, 2014. Sen. Rocca so moved. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairwoman announced that HB 5338, HB 5341, HB 4493, SB 1094 and SB 1098 would be added to the agenda.

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

- Bruce Noll, DHS – Support

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5338 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, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5338. Sen. Gregory so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 5341 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

Abstain: Sen. Gregory

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 5341. Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding HB 4493:

- Bruce Noll, DHS – Support
- Stacie Bladen, DHS – Support

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-2) substitute to HB 4493. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report HB 4493 (S-2) to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Gregory so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4493 (S-2). Sen. Rocca so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman invited Sen. Warren to summarize SB 1094 for the committee.

The following submitted a testimony card regarding SB 1094, but did not wish to speak:

- Jeff Cassidy, MI Veterans Affairs Agency – Support
- Elizabeth Hertel, DCH – Neutral

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-1) substitute to SB 1094. Sen. Rocca so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report SB 1094 (S-1) to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Gregory so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1094 (S-1). Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman invited Sen. Caswell to summarize SB 1098 for the committee.

The following submitted a testimony card regarding SB 1098, but did not wish to speak:

- Elizabeth Hertel, DCH – Support

The following provided testimony before the committee regarding SB 1098:

- Jim Casha, representing himself – Support

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to adopt the Emmons Amendment to SB 1098. Sen. Gregory so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Emmons, Rocca, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to report SB 1098 as amended 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, Nofs and Gregory

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairwoman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 1098. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairwoman requested a clean substitute from the Legislative Service Bureau.

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

**Date approved by the Committee:**

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