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**MINUTES**

A meeting of the Senate Health Policy Committee was held on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

Senator Marleau called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker, Warren and Ananich

Absent:

Excused: Senator Johnson

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

- Adopt the minutes from the October 24, 2013 meeting
- HB 4125 (Rep. Pscholka) – Higher education; graduate schools; state-supported school of osteopathic medicine; eliminate osteopathic medicine advisory board.
- SB 655 (Sen. Warren) – Occupations; health care professions; licensure program for practice of applied behavioral analysis (ABA); establish.

The Chairman called forward Adam Carlson, of Representative Pscholka's office, to explain House Bill 4125 and answer questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak in support of House Bill 4125:

- Kevin McKinney, Michigan Osteopathic Association
- David Bertram, Michigan State University

The Chairman called forward Lt. Governor Brian Calley to explain Senate Bill 655 and answer questions for committee members.

The Chairman called Senator Warren to explain the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 655 and answer questions for committee members.

The following people submitted testimony cards wishing to speak in support of Senate Bill 655:

- Rebecca Wiskirchen, Western Michigan University Department of Psychology
- James Todd, Eastern Michigan University and the Behavior Analysis Association of Michigan

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak in support of Senate Bill 655:

- Lisa Grost, Michigan Department of Community Health
- Morgan Vandenberg, Michigan Department of Community Health
- Diedra Wilson, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
- Christine Shearer, Michigan Association of Health Plans
- Chad Wing, Eastern Michigan University

Senator Robertson offered a motion to report House Bill 4125 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker, Warren and Ananich

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson offered a motion to recommend the bill be given immediate effect; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 24, 2013 meeting and, without objection, they were adopted.

Senator Ananich motioned to excuse absent members and, without objection, they were excused.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Marleau adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:34 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: 1/21/2014

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