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Senate Committee on Judiciary
Minutes

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was held on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Vote to report out SB 857 (S-1) as amended failed and was reconsidered for a later date.
 - 2) Reported SB 858 with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 3) Reported SB 859 with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 4) Reported SB 860 (S-1) as amended with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 5) Reported HB 5085 as amended with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 6) Reported SB 788 (S-1) with recommendation and immediate effect.
 - 7) Vote to report out SB 841 failed and was reconsidered for a later date.
 - 8) Took testimony only on SB 842, SB 843 and SB 844.
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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and attendance was recorded as follows:

Members present: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker and Bieda

Members absent: Senator Rocca

Senator Jones moved to adopt the minutes from the April 22, 2014 meeting. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The following people testified before the committee regarding SB 857, SB 858, SB 859 and SB 860:

- Jeannie Richards, Bryan's HOPE – Support
- Kathleen Gross, Michigan Psychiatric Society – Support
- Dr. William R. Morrone, MAOFP – Supports SB 857
- Bill Flory, MI Association for Justice – Opposes SB 857
- Jeff Boyd, Livingston County EMS – Neutral on SB 859

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak regarding SB 857, SB 858, SB 859 and SB 860:

- Amanda Lick, MI Pharmacists Association – Support
- Andrew Schepers, MSMS – Support
- Mike Pendency, Prosecuting Attorneys Association of MI – Support

The Chairman moved to adopt the Schuitmaker Amendment to the (S-1) version of SB 857. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to adopt the (S-1) substitute as amended to SB 857. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to report SB 857 (S-1) as amended to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C) and Schuitmaker

Nays: None

Abstain: Sen. Bieda

The motion failed.

The Chairman moved to reconsider the vote by which SB 857 (S-1) as amended failed. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to report SB 858 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to recommend immediate effect for SB 858. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman moved to report SB 859 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to recommend immediate effect for SB 859. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman moved to adopt the Schuitmaker Amendment to the (S-1) version of SB 860. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to adopt the (S-1) substitute as amended to SB 860. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to report SB 860 (S-1) as amended to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to recommend immediate effect for SB 860 (S-1) as amended. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

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

The following people testified before the committee regarding HB 5085:

- Raymond Davis, Boy Scouts of America – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak regarding HB 5085:

- Connie Elliott, Boy Scouts of America – Support
- Brian Nastase, Boy Scouts of America – Support
- Dakota Moore, NRA – Support

The Chairman moved to adopt the Jones amendment to HB 5085. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 5085 as amended to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Bieda so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to recommend immediate effect for HB 5085 as amended. Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

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

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak regarding SB 788:

- Cami Pendell, Steel Pro – Support
- Jim Szymusiak, Consumers Energy – Support
- George Carr, Michigan Concrete Association – Support
- Andrea Cascarilla, MI Forest Products Council – Support
- James R. Ryan, International Council of Shopping Centers – Support
- Jon Cool, MI Railroads Association – Support
- Amanda Fisher, NFIB – Support
- Wendy Block, Michigan Chamber – Support

The following people submitted testimony cards but did not wish to speak regarding SB 843 and SB 844:

- Brad Vauter, Elder Law and Disability Rights Section – Oppose SB 843
- Lisa Ruby, MI Poverty Law Program – Oppose
- Jackie Doig, Center for Civil Justice – Oppose
- Ben Bodkin, MI Sheriffs Association – Has Concerns

The Chairman moved to adopt the (S-1) substitute to SB 788. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 788 (S-1) to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Bieda so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman moved to recommend immediate effect for SB 788 (S-1). Without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman moved to report SB 841 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C) and Schuitmaker

Nays: None

Abstain: Sen. Bieda

The motion failed.

The Chairman moved to reconsider the vote by which SB 841 failed. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Sens. Jones (C), Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

With no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Date Approved by Committee: 5/6/14

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