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**SENATOR JOHN MOOLENAAR,  
CHAIRMAN**

**MINUTES**

A meeting of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee was held on Tuesday, January 29, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 210. The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge, Emmons, Gregory and Smith  
Absent: None  
Excused: None

Senator Moolenaar announced the order of business:

- Adopt Rules
- Presentation by Major General Gregory J. Vadnais concerning the Veterans Service initiative and the current state of the Michigan National Guard

The Chairman, Senator Moolenaar, led the members and audience of the Senate Veterans, Military Affairs, and Homeland Security Committee in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Senator Pappageorge, supported by Senator Emmons, moved to adopt the committee rules. Without objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous voice.

Major General Vadnais gave verbal testimony to the committee and answered questions.

The following people also gave verbal testimony to the committee:

- Sen. Jason Allen, Department of Veterans and Military Affairs (DMVA)
- Jeff Barnes, DMVA

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Moolenaar adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date approved by the Committee: February 26, 2013

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