

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY  
REFORM**

**MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 02, 2009**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Regulatory Reform was held on Wednesday, December 2, 2009, in rooms 402 / 403 of the Capitol Building at 1:00 pm.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter and Jacobs  
Excused: None

**The Agenda Summary is as follows:**

**Senate Bill 0968 - Reported the (S-2) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.**  
**Senate Bill 0969 - Reported with favorable recommendation and I.E.**  
**Senate Bill 0970 - Reported with favorable recommendation and I.E.**  
**Senate Bill 0971 - Reported the (S-1) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.**  
**Senate Bill 0972 - Reported with favorable recommendation and I.E.**  
**Senate Bill 0973 - Reported with favorable recommendation and I.E.**

The meeting had been scheduled for 1:00 p.m., but was delayed until 3:00 p.m. as session ran long. The Chair began by taking roll and asking members to approve the minutes from the previous meeting of November 10, 2009. A motion was offered by Senator Allen, support given by Senator Sanborn, and the members approved the minutes by a vote of 5 to 0 as follows:

**Approval of the minutes from the 11-10-09 meeting:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Allen, Gilbert, Hunter, and Jacobs  
Nays: None

The Chair began by taking testimony on a package of bills on the Chiropractors scope of practice.

**Senate Bill 0968 introduced by Senator Kuipers;** Occupations; chiropractors; definitions regarding scope of practice for chiropractors; revise.

**Senate Bill 0969 introduced by Senator Richardville;** Insurance; no-fault; coverage or reimbursement for chiropractic service; limit.

**Senate Bill 0970 introduced by Senator Jacobs;** Insurance; prudent purchaser agreements; coverage or reimbursement for chiropractic service; limit.

**Senate Bill 0971 introduced by Senator Kahn;** Insurance; health care corporations; coverage or reimbursement for chiropractic service; limit.

**Senate Bill 0972 introduced by Senator Richardville;** Worker's compensation; benefits; coverage or reimbursement for chiropractic service; limit.

**Senate Bill 0973 introduced by Senator Allen;** Insurance; health; coverage or reimbursement for chiropractic service; limit.

As the lead sponsor of the package, Senator Kuipers gave opening remarks regarding the legislation.

Dr. Donald M. Reno, President of the Michigan Association of Chiropractors, joined Senator Kuipers to give background and testimony on the bills.

Question and discussion followed.

Kathleen 'Jake' Jakubiak Kovacek, on behalf of the Michigan Physical Therapy Association, expressed her members' opposition to the package.

Carl Alden, representing the Michigan Association of Chiropractors, spoke in response to the Physical Therapy Association's concerns.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards, but did not wish to testify:

- Deidra Wilson, Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI, opposing SB 968, supporting 969-73
- Jenita Moore, of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation, neutral on bills
- Dyck Van Koevering, with the Insurance Inst. Of MI, oppose 968, support 969-73
- Fred Anderson, representing MI Osteopathic Assn, opposing the bills
- Colin Ford, from Michigan State Medical Society, opposing the bills
- Joe Neller, with the MI Academy of Family Physicians, opposing bills
- Brenda Lawson, on behalf of the Dept of Community Health, opposes bills as introduced
- Jim Cavanaugh, for the MI Radiological Society, opposing the bills
- Bill Kandler, from MI Orthopaedic Society, opposing the bills

Being no further testimony, Senator Sanborn made a motion that the members adopt the S-1 version of Senate Bill 968. Senator Gilbert offered support and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Adopt the S-1 version of SB 968:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Sanborn offered an amendment and made a motion that the members adopt the amendment to the S-1 version of Senate Bill 968. Senator Richardville offered support and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Adopt the Sanborn amendment to the S-1 version of SB 968:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Allen then made a motion to report the amended S-1 version of Senate Bill 968 with the committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Richardville and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report the amended S-1 version of SB 968 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Jacobs. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Thomas and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for the amended S-1 version of SB 968:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

The Chair then asked the Legislative Service Bureau to create an S-2 version of the bill to reflect the changes of the amended S-1 language.

Senator Sanborn then made a motion to report Senate Bill 969 with the committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Allen and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report SB 969 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Sanborn. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Richardville and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for SB 969:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Sanborn followed with a motion to report Senate Bill 970 with the Committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Jacobs and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report SB 970 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Richardville. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Allen and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for SB 970:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Sanborn then offered an amendment to Senate Bill 971 and made a motion that the members adopt the new language. Senator Gilbert offered support and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Adopt the Sanborn amendment to SB 971:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Allen then made a motion to report the amended version of Senate Bill 971 with the committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Gilbert and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report the amended version of SB 971 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Jacobs. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Allen and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for the amended version of SB 971:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

The Chair then asked the Legislative Service Bureau to create an S-1 version of the bill to reflect the changes of the amended language.

Senator Allen then made a motion to report Senate Bill 972 with the Committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Sanborn and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report SB 972 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Hunter. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Allen and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for SB 972:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Senator Allen then made a motion to report Senate Bill 973 with the Committee's favorable recommendation. Support was offered by Senator Jacobs and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Report SB 973 with favorable recommendation:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

A motion to recommend immediate effect was offered by Senator Gilbert. Support for the motion was offered by Senator Allen and the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 as follows:

**Recommend immediate effect for SB 973:**

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Richardville, Allen, Gilbert, Thomas, Hunter, and Jacobs

Nays: None

Being no further business, Senator Sanborn adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.