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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 11th, 2010

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities was scheduled for Thursday, March 11th, 2010, for 1:00 p.m., in the Senate Hearing room of the Boji Tower.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) Discussion of SB 1019.
- 2) Discussion of pending legislation regarding energy theft.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present; Chairman Patterson, Senators, Brown, Birkholz, Kuipers, Richardville, Nofs, Olshove, and Clarke Coleman, a quorum.

At 1:04 p.m., the Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Brown to approve the minutes of the February 25th committee meeting.
The motion Passed without objection.

At 1:05 p.m., the Chairman proceeded to agenda item number one. He invited Mr. Matt Kurta, Legislative Director for Sen. Prusi to give an overview of SB 1019.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Kurta for his testimony and expressed his interest in further discussing SB 1019 in the future.

At 1:09 p.m., the Chairman read into the record, those indicating they were support SB 1019.

James Clift, Michigan Environmental Council

At 1:10 p.m., the Chairman proceeded to agenda item number two. He invited Mr. Fred Shell, Vice President of Corporate and Governmental Affairs of DTE Energy and Mr. Mark Johnson, Director of Revenue Management of DTE Energy to give an overview of the energy theft legislation pending referral.

Sen.(s) Patterson, Brown and Clark-Coleman posed questions to which the witnesses responded.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Shell and Mr. Johnson for their testimony.

At 1:25 p.m., the Chairman read into the record, those indicating they were neutral on the energy theft legislation pending referral.

Tabitha Zimmy, Rental Property Owners Association

At 1:30 p.m., the Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Olshove to excuse Sen. Thomas and Clarke.

The motion Passed without objection.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:34 p.m., on a voice vote, without objection.

Scott Jones,
Clerk of the Committee

Senator Bruce Patterson,
Chairman of the Committee

Date Adopted by Committee