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A meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Thursday, September 17, 2009, at 12:22 p.m. in the Farnum Building, Room 110.

Committee members present: Cassis (C), Gilbert (Maj. VC), Jansen, Pappageorge, Jacobs (Min VC), Whitmer, Cherry.

Committee members absent: None

Senator Cassis gave opening remarks regarding the order of business:

- SB 641 Sen. Jansen - Housing; affordable; certification of supportive housing property; revise certain enacting sections.
- SB 671 Sen. Cassis - Michigan business tax; apportionment; calculation of sales factor for certain entities; allow under certain circumstances.
- HB 4191 Rep. Warren - Income tax; deductions; tax incentive for charitable contributions to the advance tuition payment fund; provide for.
- HB 4629 Rep. Lipton - Michigan business tax; deductions; adjustment to business income tax base for charitable contributions made to the advance tuition payment fund under the Michigan education trust act; provide for.
- HB 4906 Rep. Ebli - Taxation; administration; streamlined sales and use tax administration act; provide for method to correct incorrect classification.
- SB 218 Sen. Pappageorge - Property tax; exemptions; new construction on principal residence property; exempt for certain period.

Senator Cassis announced that the following bill was properly before the Senate Finance Committee and would be brought up for discussion:

- HB 4922 Rep. Clemente - Economic development; Michigan economic growth authority; credits on regular and high-tech retention MEGAs; modify.

Senator Pappageorge announced that due to a budget negotiation meeting, he would have to leave Finance Committee early. In light of that fact, Senator Pappageorge requested that his legislation, SB218 be removed from the committee agenda.

Senator Jansen sponsor of SB641 gave verbal testimony explaining the bill.

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Senator Gilbert motioned, and Senator Jacobs seconded, that the committee report SB641 with favorable recommendation and immediate effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, Jansen, Pappageorge, Jacobs, Whitmer

Nays: None

Not Present: Cherry

The motion prevailed.

Katie Johnson representing CEDAM gave both verbal and written testimony in support of SB641. Ms. Johnson then answered questions from committee members.

Marc Craig representing the Community Housing Network gave verbal testimony in support of SB641. Mr. Craig then answered questions from committee members.

Peggy Frankie representing Liberty Hill Housing Corporation gave verbal testimony in support of SB641. Ms. Frankie then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Cassis sponsor of SB671 gave verbal testimony explaining the bill. Senator Cassis then answered questions from committee members.

Howard Ryan, Tax Policy Advisor for the Senate Majority Policy Office gave additional verbal testimony explaining SB671. Mr. Ryan then answered questions from committee members.

Joe Sproles and Jeff Katz representing GMAC gave both verbal and written testimony in support of SB671. Mr. Sproles and Mr. Katz then answered questions from committee members.

Scott Schragger representing the Michigan Department of Treasury submitted a testimony card in support of SB671 but did not wish to speak.

Senator Jansen motioned, and Senator Gilbert seconded, that the committee report SB671 with favorable recommendation and immediate effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, Jansen, Pappageorge, Jacobs, Whitmer, Cherry

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Cassis gave verbal testimony explaining the substitute S-5 to HB4922 S-3. Senator Cassis then answered questions from committee members.

Howard Ryan, Tax Policy Advisor for the Senate Majority Policy Office gave additional verbal testimony explaining the substitute S-5. Mr. Ryan then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Pappageorge motioned, and Senator Jansen seconded, that the committee adopt substitute S-5 to HB4922 S-3.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, Jansen, Pappageorge, Jacobs, Whitmer, Cherry

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

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Senator Cassis announced that there would be no further action on HB4922 S-5.

Scott Schragger representing the Michigan Department of Treasury gave verbal testimony explaining HB4906 on behalf of Representative Ebli sponsor of HB4906 who was not able to be present due to House Session. Mr. Schragger then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Jansen motioned, and Senator Pappageorge seconded, that the committee report HB4906 with favorable recommendation and immediate effect.

Yeas: Cassis, Gilbert, Jansen, Pappageorge, Jacobs, Whitmer, Cherry

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Sarah Curmit Legislative Aide to Representative Warren gave verbal testimony explaining HB4191 on behalf of Representative Warren sponsor of HB4191 who was not able to be present due to House Session. Ms. Curmit then answered questions from committee members.

Christina Kuo Legislative Aide to Representative Lipton gave verbal testimony explaining HB4629 on behalf of Representative Lipton sponsor of HB4629 who was not able to be present due to House Session. Ms. Kuo then answered questions from committee members.

Larry Steckelberg representing the Michigan Department of Treasury gave verbal testimony in support of both HB4191 and HB4629. Mr. Steckelberg then answered questions from committee members.

Senator Cassis adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Clerk

Chairperson

Date approved by the Committee