



THE SENATE
HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE
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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Health Policy was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 2:35 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room, First Floor of the Boji Tower.

Senate Health Policy Committee members present: George (C), Allen (VC), Patterson, Clarke (MinVC), Gleason, Jacobs.

Without objection Senator George excused absent members.

A motion was made by Senator Patterson to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting and seconded by Senator Allen.

Senator George then announced the order of business and gave an explanation of Senate Bill 681.

Senator George then welcomed Ed Kettle from Representative Schmidt's office who spoke on the bill.

Senator George then welcomed Mike Krecek from the Midland County Department of Public Health and the Michigan Association of Local Public Health who provided written and oral testimony in support of the bill. Following his remarks the floor was opened up for questions.

Senator George then noted that cards in support of the bill had been turned in by Mark Lemoine representing Spectrum Health, and Lynn Weimester representing Beaumont Hospitals who supported the bill with amendment.

Senator George then welcomed Jay Kaplan of the ACLU of Michigan who spoke in support of the bill if changes are made. Following his testimony the floor was opened up for questions.

Senator George then welcomed Mark Peterson from the Michigan Positive Action Coalition who spoke in opposition of the bill. Following his testimony the floor was opened up for questions.

Senator George then welcomed Chris Mitchell from the Michigan Health & Hospital Association who gave written and oral testimony in support of the bill. Following his testimony the floor was opened up for questions.

Senator George then welcomed Jan De La Torre from Community Aids Resource & Education who spoke in opposition to the bill. Following his testimony the floor was opened up for questions.

Senator George then welcomed Robert Felix from the Aids Partnership of Michigan who spoke in opposition to the bill. Following his testimony the floor was opened up for question.

Senator George then welcomed Brenda Lawson from the Michigan Department of Community Health who spoke in support of the bill with changes. Following her testimony the floor was opened up for questions.

There being no further business Senator George adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Nester

Committee Clerk

Senator Tom George

Chairperson

10-28-2009
Date approved by the Committee