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SENATE COMMITTEE ON REFORMS AND RESTRUCTURING

Minutes for April 13, 2010

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Reforms and Restructuring was held on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower. Senator Bishop called the meeting to order at 2:42 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, Kuipers, Prusi, and Cherry
Excused: None
Absent: Senator Hunter

The Agenda Summary is as follows:

SB 1046 – Reported (S-6) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.
SB 1047 – Reported (S-1) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.
SB 1074 – Reported (S-2) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.
SJR-P – Reported (S-2) version with favorable recommendation and I.E.
SB 1075 – Testimony Only

The Chair began by taking roll and asking members to approve the committee minutes from March 16, 2010. A motion was offered by Senator George, support given by Senator Gilbert, and the members approved the committee minutes by a vote of 6 to 0 as follows:

Approval of the minutes from the 3-16-10 meeting:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, Kuipers, Prusi, and Cherry
Nays: None

The Chair then turned the members' attention to the bills on the day's agenda, Senate Bills 1046, 1047, Senate Joint Resolution P, SB 1074.

Senator Jansen explained the substitute for SB 1046

Discussion and questions followed.

Phil Hedges from Senate Majority Policy Office explained the substitute for SB 1047 & SJR-P

Jamie Clover Adams from Senate Majority Policy Office explained the substitute for SB 1074

The Chair then read the card of those not wishing to testify:

- Louise Somalski representing AFT of MI is opposed to SB 1074.
- Charles Owens representing NFIB supports SBs 1046, 1047, 1074, and SJR-P.
- Don Wotruba representing MI Assoc. School Boards supports SB 1074 (S-2).
- Dave Stafford representing M.E.A. is opposed to SB 1046, SB 1047, and SJR-P.

The Chair then moved on to SB 1046, sponsored by Senator Jansen.

As there was a substitute being offered, Senator Gilbert then made a motion for the purpose of discussion to adopt the (S-6) substitute on Senate Bill 1046. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Adopt the (S-6) version of Senate Bill 1046:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

Discussion and questions followed.

Being no further testimony, Senator Gilbert then followed with a motion, for the purpose of discussion to report the (S-6) substitute on Senate Bill 1046 with favorable recommendation and immediate effect. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Report the (S-6) version of Senate Bill 1046:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

The Chair then moved on to SB 1047, sponsored by Senator Sanborn.

As there was a substitute being offered, Senator Gilbert then made a motion for the purpose of discussion to adopt the (S-1) substitute on Senate Bill 1047. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0 as follows:

Adopt the (S-1) version of Senate Bill 1047:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, Kuipers, Prusi, and Cherry

Nays: None

Being no further testimony, Senator Gilbert then followed with a motion, for the purpose of discussion to report the SB 1047 as amended with favorable recommendation and immediate effect. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0 as follows:

Report the (S-1) version of Senate Bill 1047:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, Kuipers, Prusi, and Cherry

Nays: None

The Chair then moved on to SB 1074, sponsored by Senator Pappageorge.

As there was a substitute being offered, Senator Gilbert then made a motion for the purpose of discussion to adopt the (S-2) substitute on Senate Bill 1074. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Adopt the (S-2) version of Senate Bill 1074:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

As there was an amendment being offered, Senator Gilbert made a motion for the purpose of discussion to adopt the amendment on SB 1074 (S-2). Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Adopt the amended version of Senate Bill 1074 (S-2):

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

Questions and discussion followed.

Being no further testimony, Senator Kuipers then followed with a motion, for the purpose of discussion to report the SB 1074 (S-2) as amended with favorable recommendation and immediate effect. Support was offered by Senator Gilbert and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Report SB 1074 (S-2) as amended:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

The Chair then moved on to SJR-P, sponsored by Senator Jansen.

As there was a substitute being offered, Senator Gilbert then made a motion for the purpose of discussion to adopt the (S-2) substitute on SJR-P. Support was offered by Senator Kuipers and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Adopt the (S-2) version of SJR-P:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

Being no further testimony, Senator Gilbert then followed with a motion, for the purpose of discussion to report the (S-2) substitute on SJR-P. Support was offered by Senator George and the motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2 as follows:

Report the (S-2) version of SJR-P:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, George, and Kuipers

Nays: Senators Prusi and Cherry

The Chair then moved to take testimony on SB 1075, sponsored by Senator Bishop.

Mike Johnston representing MMA testified in support of the legislation.

Charles Owens representing NFIB testified in support of the legislation

Discussion and questions followed.

Doug Roberts representing Michigan Chamber of Commerce testified in support of the legislation.

The Chair then read the card of those not wishing to testify:

- Chris Fisher representing Associated Builders and Contractors supports SB 1075.
- Lee Schwartz representing Home Builders supports SB 1075.

Being no further testimony, the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.