

Senate Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Senior Citizens & Veterans Affairs was held Wednesday November 10, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in room 100 of the Farnum Building.

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

Members present: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia and Basham

Members excused: Senator Olshove

Senator Allen called the meeting to order.

Senator Pappageorge moved for the adoption of the minutes from the meeting held Wednesday, September 15, 2010 meeting by unanimous consent. Senator Basham supported motion. By unanimous consent, the minutes were adopted.

Senator Allen put forth before the committee House Bills 6270 and 6271 (Rep. LeBlanc)

Representative LeBlanc testified in explanation of the bills. Rep. LeBlanc explained that both bills passed the House of Representatives with only one dissenting vote. Rep. LeBlanc further explained that the bills would move higher level employees within the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, such as Adjunct Generals and Assistant Adjunct Generals, to fall under the defined contribution retirement plan to reduce growing retirement costs.

Senator Allen stated his appreciation for Rep. LeBlanc's work on this legislation, and told the committee that some tweaking would be needed for these bills on the Senate floor, but that he wanted to move them today.

Senator Pappageorge moved that House Bill 6270 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Senator Basham supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia and Basham (4/5)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Olshove (1)

Senator Pappageorge moved that House Bill 6270 be given immediate effect. Senator Garcia supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia and Basham (4/5)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Olshove (1)

Senator Basham moved that House Bill 6271 be reported out of committee with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Senator Pappageorge supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia and Basham (4/5)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Olshove (1)

Senator Basham moved that House Bill 6271 be given immediate effect. Senator Garcia supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia and Basham (4/5)

Nays: none (0)

Pass: none (0)

Excused: Senator Olshove (1)

There being no further business to discuss, Senator Allen adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren K. Michalak
Committee Clerk

Jason Allen
Chairman

Date Approved by Committee