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HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE

SENATOR JIM MARLEAU, CHAIRMAN

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Health Policy Committee was held on Thursday, March 8, 2012, at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

Senator Marleau called the meeting to order at 2:38 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Jones, Warren, and Gleason

Absent: None

Excused: Senators Hune, and Schuitmaker

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Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

- Adoption of the March 6, 2012 minutes
  - SB 414 Sen. Green Insurance; health care corporations; coverage for certain treatment related to autism; provide for.
  - SB 415 Sen. Hunter Insurance; health; coverage for certain treatment related to autism; provide for.
  - SB 981 Sen. Richardville Insurance; health; autism coverage incentive act; create. Creates new act.
  - SB 973 Sen. Marleau Insurance; health; interstate health care compact; provide for. Creates new act.
  - SR 120 Sen. Hansen A resolution to affirm the rights of the citizens of the state of Michigan to make their own health care decisions, express support for an interstate health care compact, and memorialize Congress to ratify an interstate compact.
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Senator Robertson moved to adopt the Health Policy Committee Minutes of March 6, 2012; without objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Bills 414, 415 and 981.

Senator Marleau gave a brief overview of the bills and substitutes before the members.

The following people submitted cards in support of SB 414, 415, and 981 but did not wish to speak:

- Jennifer Zagon, Parent
- Allison Greening, The Early Intervention Center
- Jessica Rogers, The Early Intervention Center
- Melanie Nau, Citizen
- Dominique Csapo, Citizen
- Danielle Csapo, Citizen
- Lisa Sulkowski, Citizen
- Ronald Sulkowski, Grandparent
- Mara Husband, Parent
- Anita Bringman, Citizen
- April Bughol, Citizen
- Alex Klooster, Citizen
- Beverly Klooster, Citizen
- Stacie Rulison, Parent
- Andrew Schepers, Michigan State Medical Society
- Susan Brown, Citizen
- Dan Sills, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Londa Sills, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht, Citizen
- Ann Breznai, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Jim Breznai, Parent
- Sarah Zehnder, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Justin Giersdorf, Parent
- Andrew Giersdorf, Relative
- Lisa Espinoza, Autism Insurance of Michigan and Autism Speaks
- Barb Byers, Parent
- Marlowe Franklin, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Kelli Stapleton, Autism Insurance of Michigan
- Thomas Riopelle, Autism Speaks
- Courtney Goldberg, Autism Insurance of Michigan

The following people submitted cards in opposition to SB 414, 415, and 981 but did not wish to speak:

- Malisa Pearson, Association for Children's Mental Health
- Lois DeMott, Association for Children's Mental Health

Being no further testimony, Senator Marleau offered a motion to adopt the S-3 version of Senate Bill 414.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Jones, Warren, and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau offered a motion to report the S-3 version of Senate Bill 414 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Warren and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: Senator Jones

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau made a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau offered a motion to adopt the S-3 version of Senate Bill 415.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Jones, Warren, and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau offered a motion to report the S-3 version of Senate Bill 415 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Warren and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: Senator Jones

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau made a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau offered a motion to adopt the S-1 version of Senate Bill 981.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Jones, Warren, and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau offered a motion to report the S-1 version of Senate Bill 981 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau, Robertson, Emmons, Warren and Gleason

Nays: None

Pass: Senator Jones

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau made a motion to recommend immediate effect; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Bill 973. As the sponsor of the measure, the Chair gave a brief overview of the bill.

The following individuals gave testimony on the bill, their position is listed:

- Dan Tripp, National Field Director, Health Care Compact Alliance, Support
- Tina DuPont, Resident, Opposed
- William Bigler, Resident, Opposed

The following individuals submitted testimony cards. They did not speak on the issue but their position is listed:

- Curt Buckley, Resident, Neutral
- Doug Paterson, Michigan Primary Care, Opposed

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Resolution 120. As the sponsor of the measure, Senator Hansen gave a brief overview of the resolution.

Senator Marleau requested a motion to excuse absent members. Senator Robertson made the motion; being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:33 p.m.

**Date approved by the Committee: March 15, 2012**

(An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.)