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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Health Policy was held on Thursday, September 13, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room of the Boji Tower.

Senator Marleau called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

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

Absent: None

Excused: Senator Hune

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

- Adoption of July 18, 2012 minutes
 - SR 134 Sen. Green A resolution to memorialize Congress to change the eligibility requirements for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income benefits for individuals with a terminal illness.
 - HB 5089 Rep. Johnson Health; pharmaceuticals; unused prescription drug repository and distribution program; create, establish duties relating to the program, provide immunity under certain circumstances, and require the promulgation of rules.
 - HB 5090 Rep. Ananich Health; pharmaceuticals; acceptance and destruction or disposal of drugs or medications not eligible for distribution; require.
 - A presentation given by Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, "Report on Clinical Trials in Michigan."
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Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Resolution 134.

Emily Carney, Chief of Staff for Senator Green, gave members an overview of the resolution.

Senator Robertson offered a motion to report Senate Resolution 134 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was House Bills 5089-90.

Representatives Johnson and Ananich gave the members an overview of the bills.

The following people gave testimony in support of the bills:

- Tom Pirnstill, a citizen
- Officer Kenneth R. Szmansky, Swartz Creek Police Department

The following people submitted cards in support of the bills but did not wish to speak:

- Kim Gaedeke, MI Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs
- Sean Gehle, Ascension Health – MI
- Christine Shearer, MI Association of Health Plans
- Doug Paterson, MI Primary Care Association
- Greg Baran, MI Pharmacists Association

Being no further testimony, Senator Robertson offered a motion to report House Bill 5089 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Jones offered a motion to report House Bill 5060 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Robertson made a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting of July 18, 2012; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

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

The members also heard a presentation from Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of American (PhRMA), providing an overview of prescription drug clinical trials in Michigan. The following gave testimony:

- Dr. Stephen Rapundalo, MichBio
- Sharon Brigner, RN with PhRMA,
- Dean Knuth, Jasper Clinical Research and Development, Inc.
- David Kaufman, D.O., Michigan State University
- Linda Burghardt, National Alliance on Mental Illness – Michigan

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

Date approved by the Committee: November 29, 2012

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