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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2014

A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Wednesday, December 3, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 110 of the Farnum Building.

Senator Kowall called the meeting to order at 2:26 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Agenda

- HB 4783 (Rep. Kivela): Economic development; other; next Michigan development act; modify.
- HB 4480 (Rep. Leonard): Economic development; Michigan strategic fund; chief compliance officer; modify.
- HB 4481 (Rep. Santana): Economic development; Michigan strategic fund; commercialization funds; modify.
- HB 4482 (Rep. Foster): Economic development; Michigan strategic fund; powers and duties; modify.
- SB 658 (Sen. Ananich): Sales tax; collections; collection of sales tax by retailers; create a statutory nexus standard.
- SB 659 (Sen. Ananich): Use tax; collections; collection of use tax by retailers; create a statutory nexus standard.

Members Present: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Members Excused:

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the committee meeting minutes of October 22, 2014. Sen. Emmons so moved, and without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman moved to excuse absent members, and without objection, absent members were excused.

Senator Kowall invited Representative Kivela, Mayor Mike Duggan, and Tom Lewand, Group Executive for Economic Development and Jobs for the City of Detroit to explain the legislation.

The following individuals provided testimony before the Senate Economic Development Committee regarding HB 4783:

- Joel Freeman, Michigan Economic Development Corporation – Support
- Jim Casha, Himself – Opposed

The following individuals submitted a testimony card to note their position on HB 4783, but did not wish to speak:

- Jason Puscas, Detroit Regional Chamber – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4783 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Smith so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4783. Sen. Nofs so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The following individuals provided testimony before the Senate Economic Development Committee regarding HB 4480, 4481, and 4482:

- James McBryde, Michigan Economic Development Corporation – Support
- Jason Puscas, Detroit Regional Chamber – Support
- Bill McMaster, Taxpayers United – Support

The following individuals submitted a testimony card to note their position on HB 4480, 4481, and 4482, but did not wish to speak:

- David Worthams, Michigan Bankers Association – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4480 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Ananich so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4480. Sen. Hildenbrand so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4481 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Nofs so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4481. Sen. Hansen so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report HB 4482 to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Smith so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: Senator Hansen

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for HB 4482. Sen. Emmons so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Senator Kowall and Senator Ananich gave a brief overview of SB 658 and 659.

The following individuals provided testimony before the Senate Economic Development Committee regarding SB 658 and 659:

- Bill McMaster, Taxpayers United – Opposed

The following individuals submitted a testimony card to note their position on SB 658 and 659, but did not wish to speak:

- Erik Hingst, Walmart – Support
- Samantha Harkins, Michigan Municipal League – Support
- Deena Bosworth, Michigan Association of Counties – Support
- Julie Allen, Michigan Townships Association – Support
- Tricia Kinley, Michigan Chamber of Commerce – Support
- Amy Drumm, Michigan Retailers Association – Support
- Bryan Harrison, Amway – Support

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-2) substitute to SB 658. Sen. Smith so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 658 (S-2) to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Smith so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Nofs, Emmons, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: Senators Hildenbrand and Hansen

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 658. Sen. Smith so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the (S-2) substitute to SB 659. Sen. Ananich so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: Senator Hansen

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to report SB 659 (S-2) to the floor with the recommendation that the bill then pass. Sen. Smith so moved, and a roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Nofs, Emmons, Smith, and Ananich

Nays: None

Abstain: Senators Hildenbrand and Hansen

The motion prevailed.

The Chairman entertained a motion to recommend immediate effect for SB 659. Sen. Ananich so moved, and without objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee:

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