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SENATE MICHIGAN COMPETITIVENESS COMMITTEE

MINUTES
December 3, 2015

The Senate Michigan Competitiveness Committee held a meeting on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. in Rooms 402-403 of the Capitol Building.

The agenda summary is as follows:

- 1) SB 616 – Reported S-1 with recommendation and recommendation for immediate effect
 - 2) SB 617 – Reported S-1 with recommendation and recommendation for immediate effect
 - 3) SB 618 – Reported S-1 with recommendation and recommendation for immediate effect
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The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Shirkey(C), Robertson, Proos, Warren
Excused: Senator Stamas

Senator Shirkey made a motion to excuse absent members. Being no objection, the motion carried.

The Chair announced Senate Bills 616-618 were the next order of business.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards to indicate their position on Senate Bills 616-618:

- Allie Bush, Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce—Support
- Doug Small, CEO, Experience Grand Rapids—Support
- Stacie Behler, Meijer—Support
- John Liskey, TelNet Worldwide—Support with amendments
- Christina Canfield, Michigan Education Association—Oppose
- Kathleen Merry, Wayne Regional Education Service Agency—Oppose as introduced
- Lisa Hansknecht, Oakland Schools—Oppose
- Julie Row, American Federation of Teachers-MI—Oppose as introduced
- Jennifer Smith, Michigan Association of School Boards—Oppose
- Jason Gillman, Jr, a citizen—Oppose
- Judy Allen, Michigan Townships Association—Has concerns
- Emily Laidlaw, Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators—No position given

- Chris Hackbarth, Michigan Municipal League—Concern over impact on local PPT revenue
- Sam Boumis, Oakland County/Brooks Patterson—Neutral if applied uniformly with local approval
- Jason Puscas, Detroit Regional Chamber—Support in concept

The Chairman gave members an overview of the changes in the S-1 substitutes for Senate Bills 616-618.

Senator Robertson made a motion to adopt the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 616.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

Senator Robertson made a motion to report the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 616, with recommendation that the bill be passed.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect be granted to the bill; being no objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Senator Proos made a motion to adopt the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 617.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

Senator Proos made a motion to report the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 617, with recommendation that the bill be passed.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Proos made a motion to recommend immediate effect be granted to the bill; being no objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Senator Proos made a motion to adopt the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 618.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the substitute was adopted.

Senator Proos made a motion to report the S-1 substitute for Senate Bill 618, with recommendation that the bill be passed.

Yeas: Senators Shirkey (C), Robertson, Proos

Nays: Senator Warren

The motion prevailed and the bill was reported.

Senator Proos made a motion to recommend immediate effect be granted to the bill; being no objection, immediate effect was recommended.

Being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 9:45 a.m.

Date Approved: February 24, 2016