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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 5, 2019**

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Families, Seniors, and Veterans was scheduled for Wednesday, June 5, 2019, at 3:00 p.m., in the 1200 Room of the Binsfeld Building.

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The agenda summary is as follows:

1. Reported SR 55 (Sen. MacGregor) with recommendation.

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. He instructed the Clerk to call the roll. At that time, the following members were present: Chairman Bizon, Sen.(s) Barrett, Runestad, Johnson, Zorn, Bullock, and Alexander; a quorum was present.

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Alexander to adopt the meeting minutes from May 22, 2019. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman invited Leah Maher, staff of Senator MacGregor, to summarize SB 55.

The Chairman invited the following individuals to present testimony regarding SR 55:

Erika Hoover, Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency – support  
Gale Owens, Jill Mathews, and Karri Bradshaw, WINC – support

Due to time constraints, the following individuals were unable to present testimony regarding SR 55::

Dr. Sylvia M. Rafels, Col. (Ret.), Michigan Women Veterans Advisory Board – No position given

The Chairman entertained a motion by Sen. Runestad to report SR 55 to the floor with recommendation that it be adopted. The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Chairman Bizon, Sen.(s) Barrett, Runestad, Johnson, Zorn, Bullock, and Alexander  
Nays: None.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was reported.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chairman moved to adjourn the committee. Without objection, the committee was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

Date Adopted by Committee:

