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HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE

SENATOR JIM MARLEAU, CHAIRMAN

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Health Policy Committee was held on Thursday, May 05, 2011, at 2:37 p.m. in the Boji Tower, Senate Hearing Room.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

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

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Marleau announced the order of business:

Adoption of the March 3, 2011, minutes

SB 213 Sen. Casperson	Health; pharmaceuticals; prohibition on dispensing a prescription for a controlled substance received via electronic means from an individual licensed to practice dentistry in a state other than Michigan; remove.
HB 4389 Rep. Stamas	Occupations; dentists; dentists practicing under special volunteer license; extend immunity from liability.
HB 4192 Rep. Scott	Health; pharmaceuticals; access to the Michigan automated prescription system for prescribers; provide for under certain circumstances.
SB 333 Sen. Proos	Health; pharmaceuticals; sale of pseudoephedrine; prohibit under certain circumstances and require retailer to enter sale information into a statewide tracking system.
SB 350 Sen. Nofs	Crimes; controlled substances; false identification used to purchase ephedrine and pseudoephedrine; prohibit, and provide penalties.

Senator Hune moved, to adopt the Health Policy Committee Minutes of March 03, 2011; support was offered by Senator Gleason. Without objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Bill 213, sponsored by Senator Casperson. Kendra Everett, representing Senator Casperson, gave testimony explaining the bill.

Dr. Alan Mead, from MI Dental Association gave testimony in support of Senate Bill 213.

Karen Jonas, representing the MI Pharmacists Association, submitted a card in support of Senate Bill 213 but did not wish to speak.

Being no further testimony, Senator Emmons offered a motion to report Senate Bill 213 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 213. Being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was House Bill 4389, sponsored by Representative Stamas. On behalf of Representative Stamas, Jason Griffin, gave testimony providing a brief explanation of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of House Bill 4389 but did not wish to speak:

- Doug Paterson, representing MI Primary Care Association
- Dr. Alan Mead, with the MI Dental Association

Being no further testimony, Senator Robertson offered a motion to report House Bill 4389 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect for House Bill 4389. Being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was House Bill 4192, sponsored by Representative Scott. On behalf of Representative Stamas, James Lower, gave testimony providing a brief explanation of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of House Bill 4192 but did not wish to speak:

- Dr. Alan Mead, with MI Dental Association
- Andrew Schepers, representing MI State Medical Society
- Karen Jonas, from MI Pharmacists Association
- Kevin McKinney, on behalf of MI Osteopathic Association

Being no further testimony, Senator Emmons offered a motion to report House Bill 4192 with recommendation.

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

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect for House Bill 4192. Being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Bill 333, sponsored by Senator Proos. Senator Proos gave testimony providing a brief explanation of the bill.

The following individuals testified in support of Senate Bill 333:

- Kevin Kraushaar, from Consumer Healthcare Products Association, Germantown, MD
- James Acquisto, of Appriss, Inc., Louisville, KY
- Sheriff Keith Cain, Daviess County Sheriff's office, KY

Senator Gleason left the meeting.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of Senate Bill 333 but did not wish to speak:

- David Mason, with Perrigo Company
- Erik Hingst, for Deputy Sheriff Association
- Andrew Schepers, representing MI State Medical Society
- Karen Jonas, from MI Pharmacists Association
- Kevin McKinney, on behalf of MI Osteopathic Association
- James Vance, from Merck
- Mia McNeil, for Norvartis
- Tim Ward, on behalf of the Police Officers Assn of MI
- Sharon Lollo, representing the Attorney General of MI
- KC Steckelberg, for the Prosecuting Attorney's Assn of MI
- Sharon D'Agostino, with Johnson and Johnson
- Kim Ross, Jessup, on behalf of Pfizer
- Amanda Radaz, from the National Federation of Independent Business
- Christine Shearer, with the MI Association of Health Plans
- Eric Rule, from the MI Retailers Association
- John Valenti, representing Sanofi Aventis
- Linda Gobler, MI Grocer's Assn

Paul Condino, from MI Associated Food and Petroleum Dealers, submitted a card indicating their members were neutral on the bill, but they support the policy and will work with the sponsor.

Being no further testimony, Senator Jones offered a motion to report SB 333 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker and Warren

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Robertson made a motion to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 333. Being no objection, the motion carried.

Senator Marleau announced the next order of business was Senate Bill 333, sponsored by Senator Nofs. Senator Nofs gave testimony providing a brief explanation of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of Senate Bill 350 but did not wish to speak:

- Karen Jonas, from MI Pharmacists Association
- KC Steckelberg, for the Prosecuting Attorney's Assn of MI
- Christine Shearer, with the MI Association of Health Plans

Being no further testimony, Senator Robertson offered a motion to report SB 350 with recommendation.

Yeas: Senators Marleau (C), Robertson, Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker and Warren

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

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Senator Warren made a motion to recommend immediate effect for Senate Bill 350. Being no objection, the motion carried.

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Marleau adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:42 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: May 19, 2011

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