

MINUTES

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS

DATE: Wednesday, May 22, 2019

The subcommittee meeting was called to order by Representative Albert at 10:30 a.m.

Roll was taken: Present – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, Maddock, Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy
Absent – None

I. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Subcommittee Meeting

A motion was moved by Representative Slagh to approve minutes from the subcommittee meeting held on April 10, 2019. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative.

II. House Substitute for HB 4231 (H-1)

- A. Representative Slagh moved to adopt the House Substitute for HB 4231 (H-1). The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (9) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, Maddock, Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- B. Representative Albert gave a brief overview of the contents of the bill. The House Subcommittee Chairman's recommendation is \$1,992.1 million Gross, \$1,928.5 million GF/GP. The budget is \$27.0 million Gross, \$35.3 million GF/GP under current year appropriated levels and \$57.9 million Gross, \$63.4 million GF/GP under the Executive recommendation. He highlighted appropriation changes and new boilerplate sections included in the House Substitute.
- C. Representative Pagan moved to amend the bill to include boilerplate requiring the department to report on the prevalence of PTSD and other psychological issues among corrections officers that are exacerbated by the corrections environment. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (9) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, Maddock, Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- D. Representative Pagan moved to amend the bill to restore \$1,500,000 for Goodwill Flip the Script. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (3) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (1) – Representative Anthony.
- E. Representative Pagan moved to amend the bill to include a line item appropriation of \$10,466,800 for new custody staff training. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- F. Representative Sabo moved to amend the bill to include boilerplate requiring the director of the department to take all reasonable steps to ensure businesses in deprived and depressed communities compete for and perform contracts to provide services, supplies, or both. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).

- G. Representative Pagan moved to amend the bill to restore 69.1 FTE positions and \$11,412,200 for the Detroit Detention Center. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- H. Representative Sabo moved to amend the bill to include boilerplate expressing intent of the legislature that the department resume staff line-ups. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- I. Representative Anthony moved to amend the bill to include an additional \$6,965,100 for Hepatitis C treatment for prisoners. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- J. Representative Kennedy moved to amend the bill to restore \$1,000,000 to the Budget and Operations Administration line item; \$200,000 to the Property Management line item; and \$7,368,800 to the Information and Technology Services and Projects line item. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- K. Representative Anthony moved to amend the bill to include boilerplate requiring the department to work with organizations that promote minorities and women to recruit more minorities and females to help increase diversity of the state's corrections officers' workforce. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- L. Representative Kennedy moved to amend the bill to restore \$4,000,000 for the Public Safety Initiative. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- M. Representative Anthony moved to amend the bill to include \$2,100,000 for the department to establish a housing unit specifically for elderly prisoners having intense treatment needs. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) – Representatives Pagan, Sabo, Anthony, and Kennedy. Nays (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Passes (0).
- N. Representative Slagh moved to report the House Substitute for HB 4231 (H-1), as amended, out of the House subcommittee and refer it to the House Standing Committee on Appropriations with recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (5) – Representatives Albert, Slagh, VanSingel, Lightner, and Maddock. Nays (2) – Representatives Anthony and Kennedy. Passes (2) – Representatives Pagan and Sabo.

III. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the subcommittee, Representative Albert adjourned the subcommittee meeting at 11:30 a.m.