



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY

REP. BRONNA KAHLE

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 10, 2022

10:30 AM

Room 519, House Office Building

The House Committee on Health Policy was called to order by Chair Kahle.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Whitsett, Neeley, Morse.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Filler moved to adopt the meeting minutes from January 27, 2022. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5637 before the committee:

HB 5637 (Rep. Whiteford)

A bill to amend 2014 PA 345, entitled "Right to try act," by amending section 1 (MCL 333.26451).

Representative Whiteford moved to report out HB 5637 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 13-6-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Whitsett.

Nays: Reps. Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Neeley, Morse.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 246 before the committee:

SB 246 (Sen. VanderWall)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 2705 (MCL 333.2705), as amended by 2016 PA 499.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 246, but did not wish to speak:

Amy Zaagman, representing the Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health.

Frank Waters, representing the Michigan Primary Care Association.

Heather Nicholoff, representing the Michigan Council of Nurse Practitioners.

Matt Black, representing the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians.

Ryan Burtka, representing My Community Dental Centers.

Todd Tennis, representing the Alzheimer's Association - Michigan Chapter.

Representative Filler moved to report out SB 246 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 18-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Whitsett, Neeley, Morse.

Nays: Rep. Beeler.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 435 before the committee:

SB 435 (Sen. MacDonald)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 2701 and 2711 (MCL 333.2701 and 333.2711), section 2701 as amended by 2016 PA 499 and section 2711 as amended by 2014 PA 172.

The following people submitted a card in support of SB 435, but did not wish to speak:

Frank Waters, representing the Michigan Primary Care Association.

Heather Nicholoff, representing the Michigan Council of Nurse Practitioners.

Matt Black, representing the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians.

Monica Martinez, representing the Michigan School of Psychology.

Todd Tennis, representing the Alzheimer's Association - Michigan Chapter.

Representative Hauck moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to SB 435. The motion prevailed 19-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Whitsett, Neeley, Morse.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Meerman moved to report out SB 435 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 18-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Whitsett, Neeley, Morse.

Nays: Rep. Beeler.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 5609 before the committee:

HB 5609 (Rep. Kahle)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 20155, 20155a, 20161, 21734, 21771, 21794, and 21799b (MCL 333.20155, 333.20155a, 333.20161, 333.21734, 333.21771, 333.21794, and 333.21799b), sections 20155, 20155a, and 21734 as amended by 2015 PA 155, section 20161 as amended by 2020 PA 169, section 21771 as amended by 2012 PA 174, section 21794 as added by 2014 PA 529, and section 21799b as amended by 2000 PA 437, and by adding section 21771a.

At 10:38 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 10:39 AM, Majority Vice Chair Meerman called the committee back to order.

Chair Kahle testified in support of HB 5609. Questions and discussion followed.

Richie Farran, representing the Health Care Association of Michigan, testified in support of HB 5609. Questions and discussion followed.

Robert Norcross II, representing Prestige Healthcare, LLC, testified in support of HB 5609. Questions and discussion followed.

At 11:27 AM, Majority Vice Chair Meerman laid the committee at ease.

At 11:28 AM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Dalton Herbel, representing LeadingAge Michigan, testified in support of HB 5609.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 5609, but did not wish to speak:
Paige Fults, representing the Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

The Chair laid HB 5266 before the committee:

HB 5266 (Rep. Yaroch)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 20965 (MCL 333.20965), as amended by 2014 PA 312.

Representative Yaroch, Orlando Blanco and Angela Madden, both representing the Michigan Association of Ambulance Services, testified in support of HB 5266. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 5266, but did not wish to speak:
Bill Flory, representing the Michigan Association for Justice.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Kahle adjourned the meeting at 11:52 AM.

Representative Bronna Kahle, Chair

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