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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Thursday, March 5, 2015                      10:30 a.m.                      Room 308, House Office Building

The House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Tom Barrett.

Members present: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Courser, Glenn, Rutledge, Talabi, Faris.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Hooker moved to adopt the minutes from the Thursday, February 19, meeting.

The motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4060 before the committee:

HB 4060 (Hughes)                      Higher education; state universities; acceptance of an American council on education transcript; allow, and clarify transferable credits.

Representative Hughes introduced her bill with Representative Rendon, and answered questions for committee members.

Jason Allen, representing the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, testified in support of HB 4060.

Mark Sutton, representing the American Legion Department of Michigan, testified in support of HB 4060.

Michael Boulos, representing the President's Council State Universities of Michigan, testified in support of HB 4060.

Lino Pretto, representing the Military Order of the Purple Heart, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4060, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4060, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 4238 before the committee:

HB 4238 (Theis) Property tax; exemptions; exemption for spouses of veterans; allow.

Representative Theis introduced her bill to the committee.

Howard Ryan, and Kelli Sobel, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified without a position on HB 4238.

Lino Pretto, representing the Military Order of the Purple Heart, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4238, but did not wish to speak.

Mark Sutton, representing the American Legion, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4238, but did not wish to speak.

Jason Allen, and Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4238, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4238, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:45 a.m.

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Representative Tom Barrett, Chair

Kevin Gawronski  
Committee Clerk  
March 5, 2015  
1 hour 15 minutes

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Date Approved and Signed