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**Minutes of the Joint Committee Meeting of
the House Standing Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs
and
the Senate Standing Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland
Security**

Thursday, June 11, 2015 8:00 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, and Faris.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Glenn moved to adopt the minutes from the Thursday, May 21, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Senate Standing Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security was called to order by the Chairwoman, Senator O'Brien.

Members present: Senators O'Brien, Emmons, Zorn, Colbeck, and Knezek.

Members absent/excused: None.

Chairman Barrett laid before the committee:

HB 4521 (Barrett) Animals; other; identification for service animals; create.

HB 4527 (Rutledge) Animals; other; penalties for false claims to use a service dog; modify.

Chairman Barrett explained substitute (H-1) to HB 4521 and substitute (H-1) to HB 4527.

Representative Hooker moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4521.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Glenn, Talabi, Faris.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Faris moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4521.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Glenn, Talabi, Faris.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Chairwoman O'Brien laid before the committee:

SB 298 (Knezek) Crimes; animals; assault of or interference with a service animal and refusal by certain persons to allow entry of a person using or training a service animal; prohibit.

SB 299 (O'Brien) Animals; dogs; licensing fees for service animals; provide exemption for certain individuals.

*The Senate committee on Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security adopted substitute (S-1) to SB 298 and substitute (S-1) to SB 299.

Chairman Barrett, Chairwoman O'Brien, and Senator Knezek testified to HB 4521, HB 4527, SB 298, and SB 299.

The following people testified in support of HB 4521, HB 4527, SB 298, and SB 299:

Eric Calley, representing himself.

Tom Jones and Jennifer Petrey, representing Stiggy's Dogs.

Jerome Smith, representing himself.

Mike Latvis, representing the University of Michigan- Dearborn.

Christine Myran, representing the Eisenhower Center.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4521, HB 4527, SB 298, and SB 299, but did not wish to speak:

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

Justin Winslow, representing the Michigan Restaurant Association.

Steve Kozera and Jason Allen, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Brad Williams, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Mark Sutton, representing the American Legion- Department of Michigan.

Chris Iannuzzi, representing the Michigan Human Society.

Lee Gonzalez, representing the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4527, SB 298, SB 299, and was neutral on HB 4521, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Outman moved to report HB 4521 (H-1), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Glenn moved to report HB 4527 (H-1), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

*The Senate committee on Veterans, Military Affairs And Homeland Security reported with recommendation SB 289 (S-1) and SB (S-1).

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 9:20 a.m.

Representative Tom Barrett, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
June 11, 2015
1 hour 20 minutes

Date Approved and Signed