



MICHIGAN  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE**

**Wednesday, December 13, 2017 9:30 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building, Lansing**

Representative Alexander, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order.

The Vice-Chair stated that the Committee would stand at ease, the time being 9:31 a.m.

Representative Barrett, Chair, reconvened the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Barrett, Alexander, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Frederick, Elder, Phelps, Sabo, Sneller, Cambensy.**

Representative Alexander made a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on December 6, 2017. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 5227 (Victory) Agriculture; regulation; seed potato standards for distributing, growing, and planting; require to comply with the national harmonization program.

Representative Lauwers made a motion to adopt HB 5227 (H-1).

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Barrett, Alexander, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Frederick, Elder, Phelps, Sabo, Sneller, Cambensy. (12/12)**

**Nays: None. (0/12)**

**Pass: None. (0/12) (12/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Lauwers made a motion to report HB 5227 (H-1) with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Barrett, Alexander, Lauwers, Howell, Albert, Calley, Frederick, Elder, Phelps, Sabo, Sneller, Cambensy. (12/12)**

**Nays: None. (0/12)**

**Pass: None. (0/12) (12/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Cards indicating support for HB 5227 were submitted by:

Don and Ben Sklarczyk, representing Sklarczyk Seed Farm

Duane Anderson, representing Andersen Brothers, LLC

Jeff Thorlund, representing Thorlund Brothers Farm

Phillip Gusmano, representing Better Made Snack Foods

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Barrett declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 9:52 a.m.

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Representative Tom Barrett, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538