

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS

February 5, 2014

12:00 p.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

Chair Kurtz called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Kurtz, Hooker, Denby, Outman, Kesto, Victory, Hovey-Wright, Slavens,

Absent and excused: Rep. Kosowski.

Rep. Victory moved to approve the minutes from the held on January 29, 2014. The motion prevailed.

Chair Kurtz laid before the Families, Children, and Seniors Committee the following 2 bills.

HB 5038 – Kurtz – Children; services; child welfare caseloads; codify.

HB 5039 – Kurtz – Children; protection; duties of children’s ombudsman; expand.

Chair Kurtz recognized Director Corrigan, Michigan Department of Human Services, who testified in support of HB 5038 and HB 5039.

Chair Kurtz recognized Director Ruffin, Office of the Children’s Ombudsman, who testified in support of HB 5038 and HB 5039.

The following people testified with a neutral position on HB 5038 and HB 5039.

Judy Wollack, representing the Association of Accredited Child & Family Agencies
Mike Williams, representing the Association of Accredited Child & Family Agencies
Thomas Krolicki, representing Wolverine Human Services

The following people filled out a testimony card in support of HB 5038 and HB 5039 but did not want to testify.

Shelley Jipson Lomay, representing the Michigan County Social Service Association
Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference

The following person filled out a testimony card in support of HB 5038 but did not want to testify.

Janet Snyder representing the Michigan Federation for Children and Families

Rep. Denby moved to adopt the substitute H-1 to HB 5038. The motion prevailed, the vote being 8-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Kurtz, Hooker, Denby, Outman, Kesto, Victory, Hovey-Wright, Slavens,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Rep. Hooker moved to report out HB 5038, substitute H-1, with the recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, the vote being 8-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Kurtz, Hooker, Denby, Outman, Kesto, Victory, Hovey-Wright, Slavens,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Rep. Hovey-Wright moved to excuse the member that was absent. The motion prevailed.

With no further business to come before the Committee Chair Kurtz adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:45 p.m.

Representative Kenneth Kurtz, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien
Acting Clerk