

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

9:30 a.m.

308 House Office Building

Representative Jim Stamas, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Stamas, Franz, Haines, Kurtz, Hooker, Zorn, Graves, Santana, Darany, Slavens, Banks, Yanez, and Kosowski.

Representative Franz moved to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2014 meeting.

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

The Chair laid HB 5418 before the committee:

HB 5418 (Knezek) Labor; employment preference; voluntary veterans' preference; allow for private businesses.

Representative Knezek testified in support of HB 5418.

General Mike Stone, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, testified in support of HB 5418.

Douglas Williams, representing American Legion, Marine Corps League & Commanders Group, testified in support of HB 5418.

Steve Kozera and Jason Allen, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Erik Hingst, representing Walmart, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Lino B. Pretto, representing the Military Order of the Purple Heart, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association, submitted a card in support of HB 5418 but did not wish to speak.

Representative Graves moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) for HB 5418.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stamas, Franz, Haines, Kurtz, Hooker, Zorn, Graves, Santana, Darany, Slavens, Banks, Yanez, Kosowski,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Haines moved to report out HB 5418 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1).

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Stamas, Franz, Haines, Kurtz, Hooker, Zorn, Graves, Santana, Darany, Slavens, Banks, Yanez, Kosowski,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 9:44 a.m.

Representative Jim Stamas, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
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October 1, 2014
14 minutes