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Minutes of the House Standing Committee
On
Criminal Justice

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

10:30 a.m.

327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Criminal Justice was called to order by Representative Kurt Heise, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Heise, Kurtz, Callton, McBroom, O'Brien, Kesto, Oakes, Robinson, Kivela, and Banks. (10/11)**
Member absent and excused was **Representative Graves. (1/11)**
The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of May 7, 2014 as printed.

Representative Callton moved to adopt the minutes of May 7, 2014 as printed. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 5445.

HB 5445 (Walsh) Law enforcement; other; sexual assault kit evidence submission act; create.

Valerie Knol, Legislative Assistant for Representative Walsh, explained the bill to the committee members. Following her testimony, Ms. Knol answered questions from a committee member.

Prosecutor Kym Worthy for Wayne County testified in support of the bill, and addressed questions from various committee members following her testimony.

Stg. Amy Dehner, Legislative Liaison for the Legislative and Legal Resources Section in the Office of the Director of the Michigan State Police, and Captain Gregoire Michaud, Director of the Forensic Science Division in the Michigan Department of State Police, testified in support of the bill, and answered various questions after their testimonies.

Eaton County Circuit Court Judge Jeffrey L. Sauter testified in support of the legislation.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Edward Rivet, Michigan Legislative Director for Right to Life;

John Lazet, Director of Crime Victim's Advocacy in the Office of the Attorney General;

and

Stephanie Johnson, Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Representative Kurtz offered and moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) for House Bill 5445. The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Heise, Kurtz, Callton, McBroom, O'Brien, Kesto, Oakes, Robinson, Kivela, and Banks, (10/11)

Nays: None. (0)

The substitute was adopted.

Representative Kesto moved to report House Bill 5445 with the recommendation that the substitute (H-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Heise, Kurtz, Callton, McBroom, O'Brien, Kesto, Oakes, Robinson, Kivela, and Banks, (10/11)

Nays: None. (0)

The bill and substitute were referred to the full House.

The Chair laid before the committee Senate Bills 250 and 360.

SB 250 (Hansen) Crimes; assaultive; assaulting certain health care professional; increase penalties.

SB 360 (Hansen) Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of assaulting or battering a health care professional; enact.

Anna Moody, Legislative Assistant to Senator Hansen, explained the legislation to the committee members.

Doctor Karen Kent-VanGorder, Family Medicine at Sparrow Health System, and Jerry Dumond, Security Supervisor at Sparrow Health System, testified in support of the bills, and answered questions from various committee members.

Steven Strahle, RN, representing the Michigan Nurses Association (MNA), testified in support of the legislation. Mr. Strahle submitted written testimony.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support, but did not wish to testify:

Chris Mitchell, Senior Director of Advocacy for the Michigan Health and Hospital Association; and

Lesia Liss, RN.

Representative Kivela moved to excuse Representative Graves from today's committee meeting.

There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; Representative Graves was excused.

There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Oakes moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present, the time being 11:49 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee was adjourned.

Kurt Heise, Chair
House Standing Committee on Criminal Justice

Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

Date approved by the committee