

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MICHIGAN COMPETITIVENESS

519 House Office Building Thursday 10:30 a.m. December 4, 2014

Representative Mike Shirkey, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Shirkey requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Shirkey, Yonker, Haines, Cotter, Foster, Franz, Goike, Lauwers, Leonard, Pagel, Clemente, Townsend, Schor, Santana and Segal.

Absent/Excused: None

Representative Clemente moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 3, 2014.

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

The Chair laid HB 5977 before the committee

HB 5977 (Poleski) Labor; benefits; mandatory wage, benefit, or leave time requirements; prohibit local units of government from establishing for employers.

Representative Poleski explained HB 5977 to the committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

The following testified on HB 5977:

Charles Owens, representing the National Federation of Independent Business (support)
Bred Williams, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber (support)
Chris Fisher, representing the Associated Builders and Contractors (support)
Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce (support)
Patrick Baker, representing the Great Lakes Fabricators Association (oppose)
Steve Currie, representing the Michigan Association of Counties (oppose)
Patrick Gleason, representing himself (oppose)
Steve Claywell and Todd Tennis, representing the Michigan International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, IBEW State Conference (oppose)

The following submitted testimony cards on HB 5977 wishing to speak but were unable due to time constraints:

Representative Rashida Tlaib (oppose)
Justin Winslow, representing the Michigan Restaurant Association (support)

The following submitted testimony cards on HB 5977 but did not wish to speak.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association (support)
Delaney McKinley, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association (support)
Allie Bush, representing the Grand Rapids Chamber (support)
Nick Ciaramitaro, representing the AFSCME (oppose)
Julie Rowe, representing the AFT Michigan (oppose)
Price Dobernick, representing the Plumbers & Pipe Fitters Local 333 (oppose)
Lisa Canada, representing the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters (oppose)
Tim Hughes, representing the UAW (oppose)
Samantha Hawkins, representing the MML (oppose)
Nathan Triplett, representing the City of East Lansing (oppose)
Ray Holman, representing himself (oppose)
Eric Sales, representing himself (oppose)
Crystal Simmons, representing herself (oppose)
Kimberly DeMott, representing herself (oppose)
James C Harrison, representing himself (oppose)
Ken Bunn, representing himself (oppose)
Jean Thomy, representing herself (oppose)
Jean A Thompson, representing herself (oppose)
James C Harrison, representing himself (oppose)
Ken Brown, representing himself (oppose)
Steve Bartig, representing himself (oppose)
Richard Ransom, representing himself (oppose)
Michael Schulte, representing himself (oppose)
Kevin Mapp, representing himself (oppose)
Peter Ruark, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy (oppose)
Ron Motsinger, representing the IBEW local 252 (oppose)
Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association (oppose)
Jeannette Bradshaw, representing the IBEW Local 58 (oppose)
Joseph Davis, representing the IBEW 6th district (oppose)
Miya Williamson, representing herself (oppose)
Ryan Husse, representing the IBEW local 252 (oppose)
Kathryn Kelly, representing herself (oppose)

The following submitted written comments on HB 5977:

Charles Owens, representing the National Federation of Independent Business
Steve Claywell, representing the Michigan International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

The Chair, placed the committee at ease, the time being 11:55 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting from the House floor, the time being 4:50 p.m.

Representative Mike Shirkey, Chair

David C. Mead
Committee Clerk
December 4, 2014

Date Approved and Signed