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THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
COMMERCE AND TRADE

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

10:30 a.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Commerce and Trade was called to order by **Representative Joseph Graves**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Callton, Jenkins, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Shepard moved to adopt the minutes from the **October 27, 2015**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chair Graves laid **SB 538** before the committee:

SB 538 (Brandenburg) State financing and management; escheats; uniform unclaimed property act; streamline audit process.

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt the substitute (**H-1**) to **SB 538**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **18-0-0**.

Yeas: Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Jenkins, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

TESTIMONY

Dan Papineau from Senator Brandenburg's office testified in support of the bill.

Nick Khouri, Treasurer for the State of Michigan, testified in support of the bill.

Questions and discussion followed.

Howard Ryan, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Treasury, answered questions from the committee.

Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, testified in support of the bill.

Jon Hallack, representing the Stryker Corporation, testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals submitted a card and/or written testimony but did not want to speak:

Eric Tuori, representing the Spartannash Company, supports the bill.

Carolee Kvorciak Smith, Director of Tax Planning and Tax Counsel, representing CMS Energy, supports the bill.

Chair Graves laid **HR 184** before the committee:

HR 184 (Sheppard) A resolution to urge the United States Senate to concur with the United States House of Representatives and repeal the country-of-origin labeling regulations.

TESTIMONY

Representative Sheppard, sponsor of the resolution, explained the resolution to the committee.

Questions and discussion followed.

Matt Blakely, representing the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD), testified in support of the resolution.

The following people submitted a card but did not wish to speak:

Rebecca Park, representing Michigan Farm Bureau, supports the resolution.

Tony Des Chenes, representing the Potato Growers of Michigan, supports the resolution.

Justin Clement, representing the Michigan Soybean Association, supports the resolution.

Chair Graves laid **SB 310** before the committee:

SB 310 (Colbeck) Labor; fair employment practices; employee absence from work to provide emergency civil air patrol services; protect from adverse employment action.

TESTIMONY

Nick Plescia from Senator Colbeck's office testified in support of the bill.

James Matthews, representing the Civil Air Patrol, answered questions from the committee.

Representative Schor offered and moved to adopt the following amendments to **SB 310**:

1. Amend page 2, line 3, after "employee" by striking out the balance of the line through the first "the" on line 4 and inserting "for any of the following reasons:

(a) The employee is a member of the civil air patrol.

(b) The".

2. Amend page 2, line 6, by striking out "(a)" and inserting "(i)".

3. Amend page 2, line 9, by striking out "(b)" and inserting "(ii)".

4. Amend page 2, line 12, by striking out "(c)" and inserting "(iii)".

5. Amend page 2, following line 21, by inserting:

"(5) By 30 days after the effective date of this act, the date of employment, or the date of joining the civil air patrol, whichever is latest, an employee who is a member of the civil air patrol and is trained and qualified to provide emergency services shall notify his or her employer that the employee may be called to an emergency." and renumbering the remaining subsection.

Questions and discussion followed.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **19-0-0**.

Yeas: Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Callton, Jenkins, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard offered and moved to adopt the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, line 8, after "governor" by inserting "or the president of the United States".

The motion prevailed by a vote of **19-0-0**.

Yeas: Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Callton, Jenkins, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to report **SB 310** with recommendation as substitute (**H-4**).

The motion prevailed by a vote of **19-0-0**.

Yeas: Representatives Graves, Sheppard, Callton, Jenkins, Johnson, Rendon, Somerville, Hughes, Barrett, Garcia, Glenn, Leutheuser, Schor, Townsend, Byrd, Garrett, Geiss, Love and Moss,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

Representative Joseph Graves, Chair
House Standing Committee on Commerce and Trade
Malika Abdul-Basir
Committee Clerk
517-373-7256
58 Minutes