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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

March 19, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

Chair Price called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Price, Garcia, Callton, Hooker, McBroom, Somerville, Yonker, Kelly, Chatfield, Courser, Tedder, Zemke, Santana, Brinks, Schor, Chang, Greig,

Absent and excused: None.

Rep. Garcia moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 12, 2015. The motion prevailed.

Chair Price laid before the Committee the following two bills for testimony only.

HB 4284 – Price – Education; curriculum; high school diploma endorsement in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM); direct the department of education to issue for certain pupils.

HB 4385 – Price – Education curriculum; high school diploma endorsement in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) provide for.

Chair Price explained HB 4284 and HB 4285 to members of the Education Committee.

Chair Price recognized the following people who testified in support of HB 4284 and HB 4285.

Greg Straka, teacher and representing himself

Heidi & Mark Skodack representing the Farmington Public Schools (Project Lead the Way)

Robert Last representing SAE Foundation/FEV North America, Inc.

Dan Clark representing Grand Rapids Community College

Dr. Jerry Zondstra representing Pyramid Campus

Gary Farina representing the Michigan STEM Partnership

Delaney McKinley representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association

Chair Price recognized the following person who testified in opposition to HB 4284 and HB 4285.

Melanie Kurdys representing Stop Common Core/Freedom to Learn.

With no further business to come before the committee Chair Price adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:30 a.m.

Representative Amanda Price, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk