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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS

Wednesday, March 18th, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building

Representative Hooker, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Hooker requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, Talabi, and Liberati,

Absent: None,

Excused: None.

Representative Crawford moved to approve the minutes from the March 11th, 2015 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4041 before the committee:

HB 4041	(Pscholka)	Human services; services or financial assistance; family Independence assistance program group's compliance with compulsory school attendance; require in order to receive assistance.
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D.J. Hilson, Muskegon County Prosecutor, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following person submitted a testimony card in opposition to the bill but did not wish to speak:

Antoinette Debose, National Association of Social Workers – Michigan.

Representative Liberati offered the following amendment to HB 4041:

1. Amend page 4, line 13, after "(6)" by striking out the balance of the line through "GROUP." on line 21 and inserting "**IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE, ALL SCHOOL-AGED MEMBERS OF A FAMILY INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE GROUP MUST MEET THE ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1561 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1561. IF A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY**

INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE GROUP DOES NOT MEET THE ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1561 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1561, THE CHILD WHO DOES NOT MEET THOSE ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE PROGRAM GROUP."

Representative Liberati moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4041. The motion failed by a vote of 3-5-0.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hovey-Wright, Talabi, Liberati,
Nays: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel,
Pass: None.

Representative Talabi offered the following amendment to HB 4041:

1. Amend page 4, following line 25, by inserting:

"(7) IN IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

(A) ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE PARENT OR ADULT MEMBER OF THE PROGRAM GROUP. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION OF THE EFFORTS MADE TO RESOLVE THE NONCOMPLIANCE.

(B) PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FROM THE PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6) IF THE PROGRAM GROUP CAN SHOW THAT THERE WAS GOOD CAUSE FOR THE NONCOMPLIANCE.

(C) PROVIDE FOR AN APPEALS PROCESS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 37 FOR A DETERMINATION MADE UNDER SUBSECTION (6)."

Representative Talabi moved to adopt the amendment do HB 4041. The motion failed by a vote of 3-5-0.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hovey-Wright, Talabi, Liberati,
Nays: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel,
Pass: None.

Representative Vaupel moved to report HB 4041 with recommendation. The motion prevailed by a vote of 5-3-0

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel,
Nays: Reps. Hovey-Wright, Talabi, Liberati,
Pass: None.

The Chair introduced Dr. Phillip Knight and Kait Skwir to give the committee an overview of the Food Bank Council of Michigan. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting the time being 10:07 a.m.

Representative Hooker, Chair

Matthew Carnegie
Committee Clerk
March 18th, 2015
67 minutes

Date Approved and Signed