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THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Thursday, November 5, 2015

10:30 a.m.

Room 327 House Office Building

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The House Standing Committee on Government Operations was called to order by Representative Bradford Jacobsen, Chair.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Jacobsen, Webber, LaFontaine and Greimel.

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representative Singh.

**Representative LaFontaine** moved to adopt the minutes of the **June 11, 2015**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**Chair Jacobsen** moved to excuse Representative Singh from the committee. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**Chair Jacobsen** laid **SB 556** before the committee:

SB 556 (Horn) Economic development; other; commercial rehabilitation act; repeal sunset.

**TESTIMONY**

**Melody Ellison** from Senator Horn's office testified in support of the bill.

**David Carroll**, representing Bedrock Real Estate Services, testified in support of the bill.

**Representative Moss**, representing the 35th District, testified in support of the bill.

**Chris Miller**, Economic Developer, representing the City of Adrian, testified in support of the bill.

**Niki Brown**, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in support of the bill.

**Greg McDuffee**, representing the Building Owners and Managers Association, testified and submitted written testimony in support of the bill.

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

Taylor Benavenke, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber, supports the bill.  
Mike Hawks, representing Richard Karp of Karp Development, supports the bill.

Elizabeth Gorz, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, indicated neutrality on the bill.

Ken Osborn, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, supports the bill.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, supports the bill.

James Ryan, representing the International Council of Shopping Centers, supports the bill.

Bill Zaagman, representing the City of Southfield, supports the bill.

Ken Cole, representing the City of Detroit, supports the bill

Nancy Finegood, representing the Michigan Historic Preservation Network, supports the bill.

**Representative Webber** moved to report **SB 556** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **4-0-0**.

Yeas: Representatives Jacobsen, Webber, LaFontaine and Greimel,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

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**Representative Bradford Jacobsen, Chair**  
**House Standing Committee on Government Operations**

Malika Abdul-Basir

Committee Clerk

517-373-7256

28 Minutes