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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**JUDICIARY**

Tuesday, February 2, 2016                      12:00 p.m.                      Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Judiciary was called to order by Chairman Kesto.

Members present: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Heise, Johnson, Howrylak, Cole, Runestad, Irwin, Robinson, Chang, Guerra.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Lucido moved to adopt the minutes of January 26, 2016. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

SB 251     (Proos)                      Courts; other; consent calendar for juveniles; create.

Senator Proos and Chief Judge Susan Dobrich, from Cass County Probate Court, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Peter Cunningham, representing the State Bar of Michigan, submitted a card in support of the bill but did not wish to speak.

Cami Pendell, representing the Michigan Judges Association, submitted a card in opposition to the bill but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

SB 503     (Emmons)                      Children; adoption; Michigan Indian family preservation act (MIFPA); modify.

Senator Emmons, Homer A. Mandoka, representing the Huron Band of Potawatomi, and Judge Tim Connors, representing the Michigan Tribal-State-Federal Forum, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill but did not wish to speak:

Stacey Tadgerson, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Frank Cloutier, representing the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe.

United Tribes of Michigan, submitted written testimony.

Representative Heise moved to report out SB 503 with recommendation. The motion prevailed, the vote being 10-1-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Heise, Johnson, Howrylak, Cole, Irwin, Robinson, Chang, Guerra.

Nays: Rep. Runestad.

Pass: None.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 4869      (Schor)      Courts; juries; physicians to be exempt from jury duty in certain circumstances; provide for.

Ray Voet, representing the Michigan District Judges Association, submitted a card in opposition to the bill but did not wish to speak.

Peter Cunningham, representing the Michigan State Bar Association, submitted a card with a neutral position on the bill but did not wish to speak.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill but did not wish to speak:

Kevin McKinney, representing the Michigan Osteopathic Association.

Carol Christner, representing the Michigan Society of Hematology and Oncology.

Andrew Schepers, representing the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network.

Representative Irwin moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) to HB 4869. The motion prevailed, the vote being 10-1-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Heise, Johnson, Howrylak, Cole, Runestad, Irwin, Chang, Guerra.

Nays: Rep. Robinson.

Pass: None.

Representative Irwin moved to report out HB 4869 with recommendation as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed, the vote being 9-1-1.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Heise, Johnson, Cole, Runestad, Irwin, Chang, Guerra.

Nays: Rep. Robinson.

Pass: Rep. Howrylak.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Kesto adjourned the meeting,

the time being 12:58 p.m.

**Representative Klint Kesto, Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

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