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MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Education held a meeting on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower.

Senator Pavlov called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons, Colbeck, Hopgood and Young

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Pavlov announced the order of business for the Education Committee:

- Adoption of the minutes from May 1, 2013 meeting.
- Adoption of the minutes from May 15, 2013 meeting.
- SB 74 Sen. Anderson Education; discipline; cyberbullying to be defined and addressed in anti-bullying policy; require, and require certain reporting.
- SB 374 Sen. Emmons Law enforcement; other; Michigan student safety act; create.

Senator Emmons made a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 1, 2013 meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Colbeck made a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 15, 2013 meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 74. He advised members that he was Recommending that the bill be referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Being no further comments, Senator Pavlov made a motion to report Senate Bill 74 and recommend the bill be referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Yeas: Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons, Colbeck

Nays: None

Pass: Senators Hopgood and Young

The motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov announced the next order of business would be Senate Bill 374. Senator Emmons placed an S-2 version before the members and gave a brief overview of the bill and the changes in the substitute.

The following individuals testified before the members to share their position on SB 374:

- Rep. Phil Potvin—Support
- Rep. Rick Outman—Support
- Joann Spry, Superintendent, Cadillac Public Schools—Support
- Bill Schuette, Attorney General, State of Michigan—Support
- Sgt. Dwayne Gill, Michigan State Police—Support
- Paul Liabenow, Michigan Elementary & Middle School Principals Association—Support
- Sandra York, Michigan Parent Teacher Association—Support
- Vic Pitz, Prosecuting Attorney Association of Michigan—Support
- Terry Jungel, Michigan Sheriffs Association—Support
- William Mayes, Michigan Association of School Administrators—Support

The following individuals submitted a card indicating their position on SB 374, but did not wish to speak:

- Jennifer Smith, Michigan Association of School Boards—Support
- Lisa Hansknecht, Oakland Schools—Support
- Wendy Larvick, Department of Education—Support
- Ellen Hoekstra, MI Association of School Social Workers—Support
- Ellen Hoekstra, American Federation of Teachers, Michigan—Support
- Brian Broderick, Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools—Support
- Paul Stankewitz, Michigan Catholic Conference—Support
- Bob Kefgen, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals—Support
- Chris Cameron, Silent Observer (crime stopper organization) of Kent County—Neutral

Being no further business, Senator Pavlov adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:17 p.m.

Date Approved: June 12, 2013

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.