



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY

REP. BRONNA KAHLE

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 22, 2021 10:30 AM Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building

The House Committee on Health Policy was called to order by Chair Kahle.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Neeley, Morse.

Absent: Rep. Whitsett.

Excused: Rep. Whitsett.

Representative Filler moved to adopt the meeting minutes from April 15, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4059 before the committee:

HB 4059 (Rep. Wendzel)

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 109n.

Representative Wendzel, testified in support of HB 4059. Questions and discussion followed.

Kristin Wier, representing the Benton Harbor Logan Center, testified in support of HB 4059. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4059, but did not wish to speak:

Mike Dow, representing the Michigan Behavioral Analysis Providers Association.

The following people submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4059, but did not wish to speak:

Kris Kraft, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

The Chair laid HB 4657 before the committee:

HB 4657 (Rep. Kahle)

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 3406s (MCL 500.3406s), as amended by 2016 PA 276.

At 10:54 AM, the Chair laid the committee at ease.

At 10:55 AM, the Majority Vice Chair Luke Meerman called the committee back to order.

Chair Kahle, testified in support of HB 4657. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Rick Solomon, representing the Ann Arbor Center for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, testified in support of HB 4657. Questions and discussion followed.

At 11:29 AM, the Majority Vice Chair Luke Meerman laid the committee at ease.

At 11:30 AM, the Chair called the committee back to order.

Janet Ringle Bartels, Executive Director, representing the Children's Therapy Corner, testified in support of HB 4657.

Stacey and Evan Nalepka, representing themselves, testified in support of HB 4657.

Benton Hokkanen, representing himself, testified in support of HB 4657.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4657, but did not wish to speak:

Sierra Cameron, representing the Michigan Chapter - American Academy of Pediatrics.

Melissa Roy, representing the Autism Alliance of Michigan.

Brooke Ingersoll, representing the MSU Autism Research Lab.

Brent Wirth, Executive Director, representing Easterseals Michigan.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4657, but did not wish to speak:

Julie Kornack, representing the Center for Autism and Related Disorders.

Judith Ursitti, VP of Community Affairs, representing The Council of Autism Service Providers.

The Chair laid HB 4089 before the committee:

HB 4089 (Rep. Allor)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 7212 (MCL 333.7212), as amended by 2013 PA 268.

Representative Alexander moved to report out HB 4089 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 18-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Neeley, Morse.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 4497 before the committee:

HB 4497 (Rep. Paquette)

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 2221 (MCL 333.2221).

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4497, but did not wish to speak:
Emily Schwarzkopf, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Representative Allor moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4497. The motion prevailed 18-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Neeley, Morse.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Hauck moved to report out HB 4497 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 14-4-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Kahle, Meerman, Whiteford, Alexander, Allor, Hauck, Filler, Mueller, Beeler, Fink, Roth, Tisdell, Witwer, Morse.

Nays: Reps. Clemente, Pohutsky, Stone, Neeley.

Pass: None.

Representative Fink moved to excuse Representative Whitsett from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Kahle adjourned the meeting at 11:57 AM.

Representative Bronna Kahle, Chair

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