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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 10:30 a.m. Room 326 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Alexander, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Alexander, Meerman, LaFave, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Elder, Coleman, Garza, C. A. Johnson, Witwer.
ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Eisen made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on February 6, 2019. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Rebecca Park, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, provided a presentation regarding agriculture in the state of Michigan.

The Chair laid the committee at ease, the time being 10:39 a.m.

The Chair brought the committee back to order, the time being 10:40 a.m.

Laurie Isley and Kathy Maurer, both representing the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee, and Brian Mckenzie, President of the Michigan Soybean Association, presented a video and provided a presentation on the Michigan Soybean industry and the overarching goals of both the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee and the Michigan Soybean Association. Questions and discussion followed.

John Boothroyd, Manager of Government Relations for the Michigan Sugar Company, provided a presentation on the Michigan Sugar Company and the Sugar Beet industry in Michigan. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:14 a.m.

Representative Julie Alexander, Chair

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