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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
Health Policy

Thursday, May 2, 2019

10:30 a.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

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

Chairman Vaupel requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Members present: Reps. Vaupel, Frederick, Alexander, Calley, Hornberger, Lower, Whiteford, Afendoulis, Filler, Mueller, Wozniak, Liberati, Garrett, Clemente, Ellison, Koleszar, Pohutsky, Stone and Witwer.

Members absent/excused: None

Representative Frederick moved to adopt the April 25, 2019, minutes. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid **House Bill No. 4412** before the committee:

HB 4412 (Rep. Kahle) Health; pharmaceuticals; sale or purchase of dextromethorphan for individuals under the age of 18; prohibit.

Representative Kahle testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Carlos Gutierrez, representing the Consumer Healthcare Products Association, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

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

Moreno Taylor, representing the Michigan Pharmacists Association.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

Christine Shearer, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans.

The Chair laid **House Bill No. 4098** before the committee:

HB 4098 (Rep. Frederick) Health facilities; other; medication aide training and permit program; provide for.

Representative Frederick, along with Richie Farran, representing the Health Care Association of Michigan, and Sue Oginsky, representing Nexcare Health Systems, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Meghann Keit, representing the Michigan County Medical Care Facilities Council, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Tobi Moore, representing American Nurses Association, submitted a card with a neutral position to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid **House Bill No. 4451** before the committee:

HB 4451 (Rep. Calley) Insurance; health insurers; coverage and benefits prescription eye drops; provide for.

Representative Calley, along with Paula Casey, Dr. Matt Trese and Phillip Hessburg, all representing the Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Karen Jonas, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans, testified in opposition to the bill.

Gabe Basso, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Bret Jackson, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Representative Hank Vaupel_____

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