



MICHIGAN  
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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND SENIORS

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Wednesday, May 15, 2019 9:00 a.m. Room 308 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Families, Children and Seniors was called to order by the Chair, Representative Kathy Crawford.

The roll was called by the Clerk and announced a quorum was present.  
Members present: **Representatives Crawford, Rendon, Hoitenga, Meerman, Wozniak, Garrett, Liberati, Brenda Carter, and Cynthia A. Johnson. (9/9)**

**Representative Wozniak moved to adopt the minutes of May 8, 2019. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present.**

The Chair went at ease at the call of the Chair at 9:03 a.m.  
The Chair reconvened the committee at 9:05 a.m.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4406.

HB 4406 (Rep. Markkanen) Children; foster care; eligibility requirements for the Fostering Futures Scholarship; expand.

Representative Gregory Markkanen explained his bill.

Karie Ward, Director for Fostering Success Michigan, Arielle Duncan, a Wayne State University sophomore, representing The New Foster Care, and Wilbert Fobbs III, Director of Operations, Policy and Youth Services for The New Foster Care, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed. Copies of their written testimony is attached.

Paul G. Connors, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Treasury, and Robin Lott, Executive Director for the Michigan Education Trust for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, testified in the support of the bill. Questions followed.

Rachel Richards, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy, submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Matt Gillard, President and Chief Executive Officer for Michigan's Children, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

Jean Doss, representing the State Public Affairs Committee of the Michigan Junior Leagues, submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

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The Chair laid before the committee House Bills 4549 and 4550.

HB 4549 (Rep. Crawford) Children; child care; access to medical screen information; allow for certain persons.

HB 4550 (Rep. Brenda Carter) Children; guardians; national and state fingerprint checks; include in criminal record check for guardians.

**Representative Liberati moved to refer House Bill 4549 to the Committee on Ways and Means.**

The motion prevailed, the vote being 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

**Yeas: Representatives Crawford, Rendon, Hoitenga, Meerman, Wozniak, Garrett, Liberati, Brenda Carter and Cynthia A. Johnson.**

**Nays: none.**

**Pass: none.**

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**Representative Rendon moved to refer House Bill 4550 to the Committee on Ways and Means.**

The motion prevailed, the vote being 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

**Yeas: Representatives Crawford, Rendon, Hoitenga, Meerman, Wozniak, Garrett, Liberati, Brenda Carter and Cynthia A. Johnson.**

**Nays: none.**

**Pass: none.**

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4233.

HB 4223 (Rep. VanSingel) Health; screening; dental screening of children; require.

Rob Winkelman, Legislative Assistant to Representative Scott VanSingel, introduced David Newman, Associate Director for Michigan Primary Care Association, Anne C. Scott, M.P.H., Deputy Health Officer and Executive Director-Community Health Centers for the Ingham County Health Department, and Meghan Swain, BBA, Executive Director Michigan Association for Local Public Health, who testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

Rick Lantz, Vice President and Chief Lobbyist for Delta Dental of Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed. Copies of his written testimony and handouts are attached.

Josh Kluzak, Government and Insurance Affairs Manager for the Michigan Dental Association, testified in support of the bill, and introduced Dr. Elizabeth Ralstrom, a Pediatric Dentist, who testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

Michelle Spencer, a board officer for the Michigan Dental Hygienists Association, and Kim Crabtree, Co-founder and Director of Smiles on Wheels, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

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

Peter Spadofore, Associate Executive Director for Government Relations for the Michigan Association of School Administrators;

Renee Edmondson, Associate Director for School Community Health Alliance of Michigan;

Dr. Elliot P. Schlang of Farmington Hills;

Macy Borofsky DDS, PT, MPH, Founder of the Mobile Dentists Outreach and Smile America; and

Julie Rowe, Legislative Coordinator for the American Federation of Teachers; and

Andy Newmann, representing the Michigan Education Association.

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There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Johnson moved that the Committee adjourn.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:27 a.m.

The Chair declared the committee adjourned.

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Kathy Crawford, Chair  
House Standing Committee on Families, Children and Seniors

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Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee