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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
Health Policy

Thursday, May 16, 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 May 2, 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.

Christine Shearer submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Liberati moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to **House Bill No. 4412**. The motion prevailed **18-0-0**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

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

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid the committee at ease at 10:38 a.m.

The Chair reconvened the committee at 10:41 a.m.

Representative Frederick moved to refer **House Bill No. 4412** to the committee on Ways and Means with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed **18-0-1**.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

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

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: Rep. Ellison.**

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 Lower, testified in support of the bill.

Representative Lower moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to **House Bill No. 4451**. The motion prevailed **19-0-0**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

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

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Lower moved to refer **House Bill No. 4451** to the committee on Ways and Means with recommendation as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed **19-0-0**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

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

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Gabe Basso, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, submitted a neutral position testimony card, but did not wish to speak.

Rudy Hobbs, representing Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, submitted a card in support of, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid **House Bill No. 4325** before the committee:

HB 4325 (Rep. Miller) Health occupations; counselors; scope of practice for counselors; modify, and revise licensing requirements.

Representative Miller, along with Napoleon Harrington, Irene Ametrano, Jim Blundo and Sara Sue Schaeffer, all representing the Michigan Manufactured Housing Association, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Judith Kovach, representing the Michigan Psychological Association and Dr. Mary Clark, representing the Michigan Association of Professional Psychologist, testified in opposition of the bill.

The following people submitted testimony cards in opposition to HB 4325, but did not wish to speak:

Dr. Thomas Clark, representing Alpha Psychological Services.

Jeff Toepler, representing Michigan Association of Professional Psychologist.

Elissa Patterson, representing the Michigan Psychological Association.

Joy Wolfe Ensor, representing the Michigan Psychological Association.

Kristin Sheridan, representing the Michigan Psychological Association.

Mage Aramian, representing Michigan Association of Professional Psychologist.

Ross Beckley, representing himself.

Dane Vermeris, representing the Michigan Psychological Association.

Dr. Angela Pinheiro, representing the Michigan Psychiatric Society.

Christin Nohner, representing the Michigan State Medical Society.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

**Representative Hank Vaupel** \_\_\_\_\_

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