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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
Health Policy

Thursday, June 20, 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 Frederick 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 June 13th, 2019, minutes. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid **Senate Bill No. 228** to the committee:

SB 228 (Sen. Runestad) Health; suicide; suicide prevention commission; provide for.

Krista Vincent, representing Senator Runestad, and Corbin Standley, representing the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Michael Pine, representing Health West and Muskegon Suicide Prevention, and Jody Nelson, representing the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Counties and the Tri County Life Savers, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The chair called Krista Vincent, representing Senator Runestad, and Corbin Standley, representing the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention, to answer additional questions pertaining to the bill.

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

Justin Fisher, representing the Michigan Psychiatric Society.

Steve James, representing the Service Employees International Union - Michigan State Council.

Andy Potter, representing the Michigan Corrections Organization.

David Newman, representing the Michigan Primary Care Association.

Rebecca Mastee, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Amy Zaagman, representing the Michigan Council for Material and Child Health.

Rachel Richards, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy.

Sam Champagne, representing Henry Ford Health System.  
Jon Villasurda, representing, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.  
Leo Nouhan, representing Kevin's Song.  
Ken Grabowski, representing the Police Officers Association of Michigan.  
Julie Szyska, representing Universal Health Services.  
Dr. Judith Kovach, representing the Michigan Psychological Association.  
Mike Sauger, representing the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police.  
Renee Edmondson, representing the School-Community Health Alliance.  
Mark Docherty, representing the Michigan Professional Firefighters Union.  
Sean Sorenson-Abbott, representing the Michigan Health and Hospital Association.  
John McNamara, representing McLaren Health Care.  
Dan Jarvis, representing the Michigan Family Forum.

The Chair laid **House Bill Nos. 4516 and 4517** to the committee:

HB 4516 (Rep. LaFave) Civil rights; disabilities discrimination; symbol of accessibility; modify.

HB 4517 (Rep. VanWoerkom) Traffic control; parking; signage for parking spaces designated for persons with disabilities; modify.

Representative LaFave testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Kirstie Sieloff, representing the Disability Network of Michigan, Dr. Kimberly Kennedy, representing the Disability Advocates of Kent County, testified in support of the bills.

Paul Palmer, representing himself, testified in support of the bills.

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

Deb Rock, representing the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council.  
Joel Cooper, representing the Disability Network of Southwest Michigan.  
Laurie Morse-Dell, representing the Michigan Association of Rehabilitation Organizations.

The Chair laid **House Bill No. 4710** to the committee:

HB 4710 (Rep. Kahle) Health occupations; acupuncturists; licensure of acupuncturist; provide for.

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

Henry Buchtel, representing the Michigan Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, testified in support of the bill.

Jennifer Beahan, representing the Center for Inquiry Michigan, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Lisa Letts, representing Medical Acupuncture, testified in support of the bill.

Dr. Jeffery Russell, representing the Michigan Medical Acupuncture Association, testified in opposition to the bill.

Sarah Schwartz, representing herself, testified in support of the bill.

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

Gigi Cristache, representing the Michigan Association of Acupuncture.

Evie Sweeney, representing the Michigan Physical Therapy Association.

Heather Leonard, representing the Blue Heron Academy.

Dr. Gregory Lawton, representing the Blue Heron Academy.

Brian Johnsen, representing Michigan Medical Acupuncture.

Randall Letts, representing Medical Acupuncture.

Chelsea Showalter, representing herself.

Adam Trisler, representing the Michigan Medical Acupuncture Association.

Kristin Whitfield, representing Michigan Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

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

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

Sondra Gordon, Committee Clerk

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