

OHIO SENATE
Committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid Minutes
November 5, 2019
133rd General Assembly

The Senate Committee on Health, Human Services and Medicaid was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at approximately 9:32 a.m. in the South Hearing Room of the Statehouse.

Attendance was taken with a quorum present. The Committee proceeded to its first order of business.

The minutes of the October 22, 2019 meeting were approved.

The Chair called up SB 155 (Lehner) for its fourth hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Jordyn Close, URGE - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Allan Debelak, Citizen of Ohio - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Senator Lehner moved AM 1275X1. Senator Hackett seconded the motion. Senator Lehner testified to the amendment. The motion was agreed to without objection.

Senator Lehner moved AM 1276. Senator Hackett seconded the motion. Senator Lehner testified to the amendment. The motion was agreed to without objection.

Senator Maharath offered AM 1329. Senator Thomas seconded the motion. Senator Maharath testified to the amendment. Senator Huffman motioned to table the amendment. Senator Hackett seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 7-3.

The Chairman called for the Senate Committee on Health Human Services and Medicaid to stand at ease at approximately 9:52 am.

The Chairman called the Senate Committee on Health Human Services and Medicaid back to order at approximately 9:55 am.

The following testimony was provided:

Dr. Anita Somani, Citizen of Ohio - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Nimra Chowdhry and Elisabeth Smith, Center for Reproductive Rights - Opponent (Written Testimony Only)

Senator Lehner motioned that Senate Bill 155 be referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference. Senator Huffman seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 8-4.

The Chair called up SB 208 (Johnson) for its fourth hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Rachel Citak, Esq., Citizens for Community Values - Proponent (Written Testimony)

Dr. Cathy Stein, Ph.D, Equal Protection for Posterity - Interested Party (Written Testimony)

Sarah Inskeep, URGE - Opponent (Written Testimony Only)

Society for Maternal Free Medicine - Opponent (Written Testimony Only)

Nimra Chowdhry and Elisabeth Smith, Center for Reproductive Rights - Opponent (Written Testimony Only)

The Chair called for the Senate Health, Human Services and Medicaid Committee to stand at ease at approximately 11:16 am.

The Chair called the Senate, Health Human Services and Medicaid Committee back to order at approximately 11:32 am.

Senator Antonio moved AM 1289. Senator Thomas seconded the motion. Senator Antonio testified to the amendment. Senator Huffman motioned to table the amendment. Senator Hackett seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 9-3.

Senator Thomas moved AM 1404. Senator Antonio seconded the motion. Senator Thomas testified to the amendment. Senator Huffman motioned to table the amendment. Senator Hackett seconded the motion. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 9-3.

Senator Huffman moved that Substitute Senate Bill 208 be recommended to the Committee on Rules and Reference. Senator Roegner seconded the motion. Senator Antonio testified to the bill. Senator Thomas testified to the bill. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 9-3.

With no further business to come before the committee Chairman Burke adjourned the committee at approximately 11:40 a.m.

Dave Burke, Chair