



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND COMPETITIVENESS

REP. JIM LILLY

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 12:00 PM Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building

The House Committee on Rules and Competitiveness was called to order by Chair Lilly.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Lilly, Clements, Bellino, Calley, Wendzel, Damoose, Posthumus, Anthony, Hertel, Sneller, Kuppa.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Anthony moved to adopt the meeting minutes from March 24, 2022. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5477 before the committee:

HB 5477 (Rep. Stone)

A bill to regulate the preparation, distribution, and sale of kratom products; to prohibit the preparation, distribution, and sale of adulterated or contaminated kratom products; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to prescribe fines and penalties; and to provide remedies.

Representative Clements moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 5477. The motion prevailed 11-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lilly, Clements, Bellino, Calley, Wendzel, Damoose, Posthumus, Anthony, Hertel, Sneller, Kuppa.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Stone testified in support of HB 5477.

Mac Haddon, representing the American Kratom Association, testified in support of HB 5477. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 5477, but did not wish to speak:

Dawn Kettinger, representing the Michigan Nurses Association.

Charlene McGunn, representing licensed psychologists.

Karen Wood, representing the MyCare Health Center.

Mark Kilgore, a recovery coach, representing prevention specialists.

Ryan Reblin, representing prevention specialists.

Mike Tobias, a recovery coach, representing the Prevention Network.

Chris Sexton, representing peer recovery.

Berni Nowakowski, representing himself.

Wendy Chamberlain, representing her son - kratom related death -.

Jane Reagan, representing her nephew - kratom related death -.

Michelle Hetherington, a former kratom addict, representing herself.

Representative Clements moved to report out HB 5477 with recommendation, as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed 11-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lilly, Clements, Bellino, Calley, Wendzel, Damoose, Posthumus, Anthony, Hertel, Sneller, Kuppa.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Lilly adjourned the meeting at 12:16 PM.

Representative Jim Lilly, Chair

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