



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

REP. SARAH L. LIGHTNER

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

12:00 PM

Room 308, House Office Building

The House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Judiciary was called to order by the Chair, Representative Lightner.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Lightner, Yaroch, Green, Borton, C.A. Johnson, T. Carter, and Brabec.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Green moved to adopt the meeting minutes from February 15, 2022. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Tom Boyd, State Court Administrator, Andrew Smith, Problem Solving Courts Manager, and Thomas Myers, Problem Solving Courts Analyst, appeared before the subcommittee to give an overview and status report on Michigan's problem solving courts (i.e., Drug Treatment Courts, Mental Health Courts, and Veterans Treatment Courts) and Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program. Mr. Smith discussed the purpose and types of problem solving courts and provided statistics on court caseloads, court outcomes, and recidivism. Mr. Myers discussed the purpose of the Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation program, program eligibility, and the structure of the program. Questions and answers followed.

Jeremy Burns, Jackson County Court Administrator, and Kimberly Colligan, Jackson County Probation Officer, appeared before the subcommittee to discuss the Domestic Violence Court in the 12th Judicial District Court. They discussed how the court operates and programming and services offered to offenders and victims. Questions and answers followed.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Chair Lightner adjourned the meeting at 12:55 PM.

Representative Sarah Lightner, Chair

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