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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, June 18, 2015.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Margaret E. O'Brien.

The roll was called by the Secretary of the Senate, who announced that a quorum was present.

Ananich—excused  
Bieda—present  
Booher—present  
Brandenburg—present  
Casperson—present  
Colbeck—present  
Emmons—present  
Green—present  
Gregory—present  
Hansen—present  
Hertel—present  
Hildenbrand—present  
Hood—present

Hopgood—present  
Horn—present  
Hune—present  
Johnson—present  
Jones—present  
Knezek—present  
Knollenberg—present  
Kowall—present  
MacGregor—present  
Marleau—present  
Meekhof—present  
Nofs—present  
O'Brien—present

Pavlov—present  
Proos—present  
Robertson—present  
Rocca—present  
Schmidt—present  
Schuitmaker—present  
Shirkey—present  
Smith—present  
Stamas—present  
Warren—present  
Young—present  
Zorn—present

Reverend Pamelajune Anderson of Space for Grace Fellowship Center of Lansing offered the following invocation:

Eternal God and faithful friend, on the beginning of this Juneteenth day of celebration, incline Your ear to the Michigan Legislature, and make Your presence known in such a way that each one will recognize You in their individual lives and in the life of the Senate. You have called these noble women and men to the awesome task of discovering, deliberating, and deciding on the best practices to ensure inclusive justice, economic growth, and constitutional quests for equality, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all the citizens of the state of Michigan.

Bless those who have in their hearts a passion for social justice; those who cannot be content as long as some have too little to meet their basic needs, and some have too much and continue to hoard; those who work industriously on behalf of Michiganders to generate jobs for the unemployed and shelter for the homeless, especially our homeless veterans; those training to break the generational curse of the impoverished; and the best education for those in search of knowledge, wisdom, and understanding.

Dear God, You have called these women and men to a powerful place in political history. Surely, You call upon their lives as daunting and divine, disappointing and doubtless, thankless and rewarding, meaningless and worthwhile. For the opportunity You present to all of us in this spoken prayer and for all of the unspoken burdens and blessings in Creation, we thank You for hearing and responding.

In the name of the Divine One, called by many names, Amen.

The Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

### Motions and Communications

Senator Hopgood entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Kowall moved that Senator Schuitmaker be temporarily excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Hood moved that Senator Young be temporarily excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Hood moved that Senator Ananich be excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow the guests of Senator Jones admittance to the Senate floor.  
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senators Schuitmaker and Young entered the Senate Chamber.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, June 17:  
**House Bill Nos. 4039 4185 4314 4459 4460 4637 4638 4639 4640 4641**

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, June 17, and are available at the Michigan Legislature website:

**Senate Bill Nos. 399 400 401 402 403 404**  
**House Bill Nos. 4716 4717 4718 4719 4720 4721 4722 4723 4724 4725 4726**

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of  
**Resolutions**

Senator Kowall moved that consideration of the following concurrent resolution be postponed for today:  
**House Concurrent Resolution No. 3**  
The motion prevailed.

Senators Meekhof and Hertel offered the following resolution:  
**Senate Resolution No. 73.**

A resolution to commemorate July 5-11, 2015, as Arteriovenous Malformation (AVM) Awareness Week.

Whereas, Arteriovenous malformation (AVM) is defined as an abnormal connection between arteries and veins which bypass the capillary system. AVM is a rare condition that affects approximately 300,000 American citizens. Although many AVMs are asymptomatic, they can cause intense pain or bleeding in addition to other serious medical problems; and

Whereas, This vascular anomaly is widely known because of its occurrence in the central nervous system, but it can appear in any location. It may also cause abnormal sensations such as numbness, tingling, or spontaneous pain; difficulties with movement or coordination, including muscle weakness and even paralysis; vertigo, difficulties of speech, communication, and challenges with everyday activities; and

Whereas, A team of researchers has initiated research on AVM, with the goal of identifying a drug therapy to cure the disease. The objectives of this research include determining the mechanism of progression of AVM in humans; developing tools for testing potential pharmacotherapy; and developing drug treatment for humans with AVM; and

Whereas, The efforts of Kelleigh's Cause, a not-for-profit organization founded by Kelleigh Gustafson, a 16-year-old girl originally from Haslett, Michigan, in conjunction with the Sparrow Hospital Foundation, have been instrumental in raising attention and funds to support the research and treatment of AVM in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, There exists a great need for public awareness surrounding this rare condition and increased attention to efforts to support opportunities for advancement in AVM research and treatment; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate July 5-11, 2015, as Arteriovenous Malformation (AVM) Awareness Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Sparrow Hospital Foundation, Kelleigh Gustafson, and Kelleigh's Cause as a token of our appreciation.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations, Senator Kowall moved that the rule be suspended.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Bieda, Booher, Brandenburg, Gregory, Hansen, Kowall, Marleau, Nofs, Proos, Schmidt, Warren and Zorn were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Meekhof asked and was granted unanimous consent to make a statement and moved that the statement be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Meekhof's statement is as follows:

With me are Senator Hertel and Danny Gustafson from Senate General Services, whose family has been impacted by this serious disease. This is a resolution for Arteriovenous Malformation Awareness Week:

“Whereas, Arteriovenous malformation (AVM) is defined as an abnormal connection between arteries and veins which bypass the capillary system. AVM is a rare condition that affects approximately 300,000 American citizens. Although many AVMs are asymptomatic, they can cause intense pain or bleeding in addition to other serious medical problems; and

Whereas, This vascular anomaly is widely known because of its occurrence in the central nervous system, but it can appear in any location. It may also cause abnormal sensations such as numbness, tingling, or spontaneous pain; difficulties with movement or coordination, including muscle weakness and even paralysis; vertigo, difficulties of speech, communication, and challenges with everyday activities; and

Whereas, A team of researchers has initiated research on AVM, with the goal of identifying a drug therapy to cure the disease. The objectives of this research include determining the mechanism of progression of AVM in humans; developing tools for testing potential pharmacotherapy; and developing drug treatment for humans with AVM; and

Whereas, The efforts of Kelleigh's Cause, a not-for-profit organization founded by Kelleigh Gustafson, a 16-year-old girl originally from Haslett, Michigan, in conjunction with the Sparrow Hospital Foundation, have been instrumental in raising attention and funds to support the research and treatment of AVM in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, There exists a great need for public awareness surrounding this rare condition and increased attention to efforts to support opportunities for advancement in AVM research and treatment; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate July 5-11, 2015, as Arteriovenous Malformation (AVM) Awareness Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Sparrow Hospital Foundation, Kelleigh Gustafson, and Kelleigh's Cause as a token of our appreciation.”

Senators Zorn, Horn, Marleau, Colbeck, Rocca, Hansen, Proos and Bieda offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 74.**

A resolution commemorating June 28 - July 4, 2015, as Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week.

Whereas, Michigan and its economy are defined by the Great Lakes and depend on its great abundance of fresh water for manufacturing, tourism, fishing, public water supplies, agriculture, and numerous other uses; and

Whereas, Preventing the introduction of aquatic invasive species ultimately benefits Michigan. Stopping the introduction of these species would eliminate the need of the state, business, industry, and citizens from employing costly methods to control and manage them; and

Whereas, Michigan has taken the lead in protecting the Great Lakes from aquatic invasive species from a number of pathways, including ballast water, canals and waterways, organisms in trade, and recreational activities; and

Whereas, Over 180 nonindigenous aquatic species are established in the Great Lakes Basin, many of which are displacing native species, disrupting habitats, and degrading natural, managed, and agricultural landscapes, resulting in millions of dollars for control efforts each year; and

Whereas, Michigan has over 900,000 registered boaters and many other recreational, commercial, and industrial users of over 11,000 inland lakes and over 36,000 miles of rivers and streams, many of which are impacted by aquatic invasive species; and

Whereas, Aquatic invasive species awareness is an important first step toward behavior change which prevents the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species; and

Whereas, Spring marks the beginning of water-related recreational activities in Michigan; and

Whereas, Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week is an opportunity for government to join forces with business, industry, environmental groups, community organizations, and citizens to take action against the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate June 28 - July 4, 2015, as Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That all citizens are encouraged to increase their understanding and awareness of aquatic invasive species and their environmental and economic impacts, and take preventative measures to stop the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Department of Transportation, Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Council of Great Lakes Governors, Michigan congressional delegation, and Great Lakes Commission.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations,

Senator Kowall moved that the rule be suspended.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Booher, Brandenburg, Hertel, Nofs, Robertson, Schmidt, Warren and Kowall were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

### **House Concurrent Resolution No. 13.**

A concurrent resolution prescribing the legislative schedule.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on Thursday June 18, 2015, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, July 14, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.; when it adjourns on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, August 18, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.; and when it adjourns on Thursday, August 20, 2015, it stands adjourned until Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.; and be it further

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, July 23, 2015, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

The House of Representatives has adopted the concurrent resolution.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the concurrent resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations,

Senator Kowall moved that the rule be suspended.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Senators Booher, Brandenburg, Hansen, Kowall, Marleau, Nofs and Proos were named co-sponsors of the concurrent resolution.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

### **Motions and Communications**

Senator Kowall moved that rule 3.311 be suspended to permit reconsideration and that the following bill, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

### **House Bill No. 4391**

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of  
**General Orders**

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for consideration of the General Orders calendar.

The motion prevailed, and the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, designated Senator Hertel as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President, Lieutenant Governor Calley, having assumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4463, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 37 of chapter XVII (MCL 777.37), as amended by 2002 PA 137.

**House Bill No. 4558, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 3 (MCL 205.93), as amended by 2014 PA 80. The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4553, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 9f, 9m, and 9n (MCL 211.9f, 211.9m, and 211.9n), sections 9f and 9m as amended by 2014 PA 87 and section 9n as amended by 2013 PA 154. Substitute (S-3).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4554, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 92, entitled "State essential services assessment act," by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1053, 211.1055, and 211.1057).

Substitute (S-2).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4555, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 93, entitled "Alternative state essential services assessment act," by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1073, 211.1075, and 211.1077).

Substitute (S-2).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4556, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 86, entitled "Local community stabilization authority act," by amending sections 5, 13, 14, 17, 19, and 20 (MCL 123.1345, 123.1353, 123.1354, 123.1357, 123.1359, and 123.1360).

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4557, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and

collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties,” by amending section 11a (MCL 207.561a), as added by 2012 PA 397.

Substitute (S-2).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

### Recess

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:34 a.m.

10:47 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Calley.

Senator Gregory asked and was granted unanimous consent to make a statement and moved that the statement be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory’s statement is as follows:

I solemnly rise to request a moment of silence for our colleague in the South Carolina State Senate, Reverend Clementa Pinckney, pastor of Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, who was tragically shot to death, along with eight other churchgoers last evening while attending a prayer service at the church. We ask for prayers for the victims, and send our condolences to their families and loved ones.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of South Carolina State Senator and Reverend Clementa Pinckney.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

### Messages from the House

#### Senate Bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to amend 1957 PA 29, entitled “An act to provide for the disposition of certain files and records in the probate courts of this state,” by amending section 1 (MCL 720.551).

(This bill was returned from the House without amendment on June 17 and the recommendation for immediate effect postponed. See Senate Journal No. 58, p. 1271.)

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

#### Senate Bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend 1921 PA 137, entitled “An act authorizing counties of this state to contract with agencies, institutions, and hospitals licensed by the department of consumer and industry services for the aid, care, support, maintenance, treatment, cure, or relief of children,” by amending section 1 (MCL 722.501), as amended by 1996 PA 411.

Substitute (H-1).

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,

The substitute was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

### Roll Call No. 302

Yeas—37

Bieda  
Booher

Hildenbrand  
Hood

Kowall  
MacGregor

Rocca  
Schmidt

Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

**Senate Bill No. 114, entitled**

A bill to amend 1921 PA 137, entitled "An act authorizing counties of this state to contract with agencies, institutions, and hospitals licensed by the department of consumer and industry services for the aid, care, support, maintenance, treatment, cure, or relief of children," by amending section 3 (MCL 722.503), as amended by 1996 PA 411.

Substitute (H-1).

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,

The substitute was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 303**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor. The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Kowall moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage:

**House Bill No. 4553**

**House Bill No. 4554**

**House Bill No. 4555**

**House Bill No. 4556**

**House Bill No. 4557**

**House Bill No. 4558**

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senator Kowall moved that the following bills be placed at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

**House Bill No. 4271**

**House Bill No. 4272**

**House Bill No. 4273**

**House Bill No. 4274**

**House Bill No. 4276**

**House Bill No. 4385**

**House Bill No. 4122**

**House Bill No. 4203**

**House Bill No. 4204**

**House Bill No. 4205**

**House Bill No. 4457**

**Senate Bill No. 298**

**Senate Bill No. 299**

**House Bill No. 4226**

**House Bill No. 4553**

**House Bill No. 4554**

**House Bill No. 4555**

**House Bill No. 4556**

**House Bill No. 4557**

**House Bill No. 4558**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4271, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 570a (MCL 168.570a).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Kowall moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed temporarily.

The motion prevailed.

**Recess**

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:57 a.m.



11:02 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Calley.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to consideration of the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4122, entitled**

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled “Michigan strategic fund act,” by amending section 29h (MCL 125.2029h), as amended by 2014 PA 396.

The above bill was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Meekhof offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 1, line 8, after “**UNDER**” by striking out “**ANY**” and inserting “**A NEW**”.

The amendment was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 304**

**Yeas—24**

Booher	Hildenbrand	MacGregor	Robertson
Casperson	Horn	Marleau	Schmidt
Colbeck	Hune	Meekhof	Schuitmaker
Emmons	Jones	Nofs	Shirkey
Green	Knollenberg	O’Brien	Stamas
Hansen	Kowall	Proos	Zorn

**Nays—13**

Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Smith
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Johnson	Rocca	Young
Hertel			

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act relating to the economic development of this state; to create the Michigan strategic fund and to prescribe its powers and duties; to transfer and provide for the acquisition and succession to the rights, properties, obligations, and duties of the job development authority and the Michigan economic development authority to the Michigan strategic fund; to provide for the expenditure of proceeds in certain funds to which the Michigan strategic fund succeeds in ownership; to provide for the issuance of, and terms and conditions for, certain notes and bonds of the Michigan strategic fund; to create certain boards and funds; to create certain permanent funds; to exempt the property, income, and operation of the

fund and its bonds and notes, and the interest thereon, from certain taxes; to provide for the creation of certain centers within and for the purposes of the Michigan strategic fund; to provide for the creation and funding of certain accounts for certain purposes; to impose certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to make certain loans, grants, and investments; to provide penalties; to make an appropriation; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

Senator Kowall moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow the guests of Senator Schuitmaker admittance to the Senate floor.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4203, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 327, entitled “An act to provide for the organization, regulation and classification of corporations; to provide their rights, powers and immunities; to prescribe the conditions on which corporations may exercise their powers; to provide for the inclusion of certain existing corporations within the provisions of this act; to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which foreign corporations may be admitted to do business within this state; to require certain annual reports to be filed by corporations; to prescribe penalties for the violations of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts relating to corporations,” by amending section 157 (MCL 450.157).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 305**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O’Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor. The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4204, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled “The social welfare act,” by amending section 55 (MCL 400.55), as amended by 1998 PA 516.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 306**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O’Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4205, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending the heading of part 58 and sections 5801, 5805, 5815, 5817, 5821, 5823, 5825, 5828, 5831, 5835, 5841, 5843, 5847, 5863, 5871, 5874, 5879, and 17711 (MCL

333.5801, 333.5805, 333.5815, 333.5817, 333.5821, 333.5823, 333.5825, 333.5828, 333.5831, 333.5835, 333.5841, 333.5843, 333.5847, 333.5863, 333.5871, 333.5874, 333.5879, and 333.17711), section 5805 as amended by 1988 PA 236, section 5817 as amended by 1998 PA 88, and section 17711 as amended by 2014 PA 413; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 307**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4457, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 203, entitled "Foster care and adoption services act," by amending section 8 (MCL 722.958), as amended by 2002 PA 646.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 308**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

"An act to establish certain standards for foster care and adoption services for children and their families; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments and adoption facilitators,".

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 298, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 50a and 502c (MCL 750.50a and 750.502c), section 50a as added by 1994 PA 42 and section 502c as amended by 1998 PA 38.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 309**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt

Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0****Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Senators Casperson, Colbeck, Green, Hansen, Hune, Johnson, Kowall, MacGregor, Meekhof, Pavlov, Shirkey, Smith and Stamas were named co-sponsors of the bill.

Senators Knezek and O'Brien asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Knezek's statement, which Senator Young concurred, is as follows:

Senate Bill No. 298 is part of a four-bill package developed with myself, Senator O'Brien, Representative Rutledge, and Representative Barrett. I wanted to briefly rise to just say thank you to some individuals who have played a huge role in the development of this legislation over the past two years: first and foremost, the members I have just mentioned, the business community that has been so instrumental in helping get this where it is today, Mr. Dave Meador of DTE Energy, and to you, Mr. President, and your staff. Thank you all for your help.

When we are talking with members across the chamber about this bill and what it does, it is pretty easy to look at it and, in some cases, get a good chuckle out of it. It really speaks to a larger issue that I think we need to have a greater conversation about in the state of Michigan, which is the issue of veterans mental health.

When I was thinking about what I would say today to try and get additional buy-in from members in the hope that it could be the first of many moving forward, I thought about what that reintegration process looks like for veterans as they are coming home and why we are having the problems we are having here today. The fact is so many of our veterans are coming home with what we call the invisible wounds sustained on the battlefield—post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury. Where we spend six to eight months doing a workup getting ready to go, you come back home and spend six to eight days going through the reintegration process, and then are dumped back out into society.

To give you a better picture of this process and why it is so flawed—right, wrong, or indifferent—I want to tell you specifically what that experience looks like. Before you go overseas, you complete what is called a PDHA—pre-deployment health assessment. Individuals want to get a baseline for where you are mentally, physically, and the whole nine yards. You go overseas and are in a combat zone exposed to the rigors and trials of war. You come back home and are given a PDHRA—post-deployment health reassessment. Have you seen any dead bodies? Did you shoot anyone; get shot? Inhale any gases? Did the vehicle you were in at any time get blown up by a 155-round on the side of the road? Do you know that by virtue of what we refer to as the Lance Corporal Underground, if you answer “yes” to any of those questions, you will be put on a medical hold? Seeing your parents, boyfriends, girlfriends, and family is the only thing you want to do, but anything that comes in between that opportunity, the veterans will try to push aside. Everyone, myself included, looks at that PDHRA, goes down the list and says, “No, no, no.”

Another problem as it relates to the veterans community is you have to remember where we are coming from. The military is an organization that preaches if you ask for help, that is a sign of weakness. Again—right, wrong, or indifferent—that is the mentality that we have to include before the members who are going overseas. So for a number of our veterans who need help, they don't have the capacity or courage to reach out and ask for it.

For those veterans who do have the ability to finally gain the courage to reach out for help and assistance and someone pulls out their PDHRA and says they were told they didn't need help, they say have a nice day. This is why I make no bones when I commend this Governor when he talks about “no wrong door policy” and that veterans are not turned away from services that they have earned. When the veterans are turned away from gaining access to health care that they need, this is when we have instances of self-medication, alcoholism, depression, and the like. When veterans decide that life here in the United States is something they can no longer tolerate, they take their own lives.

I speak very openly with anyone interested about my experiences and those of my friends. During each and every deployment we went on, we made the commitment that we would all come home. Each and every one came home. It wasn't until we arrived home that I started to lose the people I deployed with. I had gained a family when I went overseas, but when I got home, I started losing them.

When we talk about service dogs, it seems innocuous and incredibly small, but please understand how much this all means to the veterans community in their ability to make a seamless transition home. When we come home, we aren't asking for special treatment; the free fishing licenses, etc., that doesn't do anything to make a difference. But to be able to come back and go about daily lives and feel comfortable is huge.

I really hope this is the beginning of conversations about veterans mental health and suicide. Twenty-two veterans a day commit suicide in the United States. When you break those numbers down even further, you will see that female statistics are twice that of their male counterparts.

Senator O'Brien's statement is as follows:

This is a package of bills that really is a testament to leadership and bipartisanship. I would like to thank Senator Knezek for allowing us to participate in this package of bills. He started a few years ago and brought in colleagues from both chambers and both sides of the aisle. In a world where partisanship and politics rule, you see good public policy being put before politics.

I really appreciate all who came and shared in front of the Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security Committee. Many veterans shared their personal stories and how difficult it can be not just to wake up, but to actually go to sleep; also how a service animal can change your life so drastically from one with no future to one where you can have success in your family and see a bright future.

I thank the committee for doing such great work. They were very instrumental in moving this forward. Again, thank you, Senator Knezek, for your leadership. Without him, we wouldn't have landed here so quickly to help our veterans.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 299, entitled**

A bill to amend 1970 PA 207, entitled “An act to exempt certain dogs from license fees,” by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 287.291), the title as amended by 1981 PA 74 and section 1 as amended by 2000 PA 4.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 310**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Senators Casperson, Colbeck, Green, Hansen, Hune, Johnson, Kowall, MacGregor, Meekhof, Pavlov, Smith and Stamas were named co-sponsors of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4226, entitled**

A bill to amend 1986 PA 281, entitled “The local development financing act,” by amending section 12b (MCL 125.2162b), as added by 2008 PA 104.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 311****Yeas—33**

Bieda	Hood	MacGregor	Rocca
Booher	Hopgood	Marleau	Schmidt
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Schuitmaker
Emmons	Johnson	Nofs	Smith
Green	Jones	O’Brien	Stamas
Gregory	Knezek	Pavlov	Warren
Hansen	Knollenberg	Proos	Young
Hertel	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hildenbrand			

**Nays—4**

Brandenburg	Colbeck	Hune	Shirkey
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**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.



Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to encourage local development to prevent conditions of unemployment and promote economic growth; to provide for the establishment of local development finance authorities and to prescribe their powers and duties; to provide for the creation of a board to govern an authority and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the creation and implementation of development plans; to authorize the acquisition and disposal of interests in real and personal property; to permit the issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness by an authority; to prescribe powers and duties of certain public entities and state officers and agencies; to reimburse authorities for certain losses of tax increment revenues; and to authorize and permit the use of tax increment financing.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4553, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending sections 9f, 9m, and 9n (MCL 211.9f, 211.9m, and 211.9n), sections 9f and 9m as amended by 2014 PA 87 and section 9n as amended by 2013 PA 154.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 312**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O’Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to provide for the assessment of rights and interests, including leasehold interests, in property and the levy and collection of taxes on property, and for the collection of taxes levied; making those taxes a lien on the property taxed, establishing and continuing the lien, providing for the sale or forfeiture and conveyance of property delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the state and not redeemed or purchased; to provide for the establishment of a delinquent tax revolving fund and the borrowing of money by counties and the issuance of notes; to define and limit the jurisdiction of the courts in proceedings in connection with property delinquent for taxes; to limit the time within which actions may be brought; to prescribe certain limitations with respect to rates of taxation; to prescribe

certain powers and duties of certain officers, departments, agencies, and political subdivisions of this state; to provide for certain reimbursements of certain expenses incurred by units of local government; to provide penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4554, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 92, entitled “State essential services assessment act,” by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1053, 211.1055, and 211.1057).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 313**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O’Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to levy a specific tax on certain personal property; to provide for the administration, collection, and distribution of the specific tax; to provide for an exemption from that specific tax; to impose certain duties on persons and certain state departments; to impose penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4555, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 93, entitled “Alternative state essential services assessment act,” by amending sections 3, 5, and 7 (MCL 211.1073, 211.1075, and 211.1077).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 314****Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0****Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to levy a tax on certain personal property; to provide for the administration, collection, and distribution of the tax; to impose certain duties on persons and certain state departments; to impose penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4556, entitled**

A bill to amend 2014 PA 86, entitled “Local community stabilization authority act,” by amending sections 5, 13, 14, 17, 19, and 20 (MCL 123.1345, 123.1353, 123.1354, 123.1357, 123.1359, and 123.1360).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 315****Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to create a metropolitan authority; to prescribe the powers, duties, and jurisdictions of the metropolitan authority; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officials; to levy, collect, and distribute a tax; and to repeal acts and parts of acts;”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4557, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled “An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties,” by amending section 11a (MCL 207.561a), as added by 2012 PA 397.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 316**

**Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O’Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4558, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 3 (MCL 205.93), as amended by 2014 PA 80.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 317****Yeas—37**

Bieda	Hildenbrand	Kowall	Rocca
Booher	Hood	MacGregor	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Shirkey
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Smith
Emmons	Johnson	O'Brien	Stamas
Green	Jones	Pavlov	Warren
Gregory	Knezek	Proos	Young
Hansen	Knollenberg	Robertson	Zorn
Hertel			

**Nays—0****Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

"An act to provide for the levy, assessment, and collection of a specific excise tax on the storage, use, or consumption in this state of tangible personal property and certain services; to appropriate the proceeds of that tax; to prescribe penalties; and to make appropriations,".

The Senate agreed to the full title.

**Recess**

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate recess until 1:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed, the time being 11:52 a.m.

The Senate reconvened at the expiration of the recess and pursuant to rule 1.101, in the absence of the Presiding Officers, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary of the Senate.

### Recess

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 1:31 p.m.

2:08 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to consideration of the following bill:

#### House Bill No. 4271, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 570a (MCL 168.570a).  
(This bill was read a third time earlier today and consideration postponed. See p. 1290.)

The question being on the passage of the bill,  
Senator Johnson offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, following line 16, by inserting:  
" (f) Senate Bill No. 59."

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Hood requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

#### Roll Call No. 318

#### Yeas—14

Bieda	Hertel	Knezek	Smith
Colbeck	Hood	Knollenberg	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Rocca	Young
Hansen	Johnson		

#### Nays—23

Booher	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Brandenburg	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Casperson	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Proos	Zorn
Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson	

#### Excused—1

Ananich

#### Not Voting—0

In The Chair: O'Brien

Senator Bieda offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, following line 16, by inserting:

“(f) Senate Bill No. 61.”.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Hood requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 319**

**Yeas—10**

Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Smith	Young
Hertel	Johnson		

**Nays—27**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O’Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	Kowall	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor	Robertson	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O’Brien

Senator Warren offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, following line 16, by inserting:

“(f) Senate Bill No. 89.”.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Hood requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 320**

**Yeas—11**

Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Rocca	Young
Hertel	Johnson	Smith	

**Nays—26**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt

Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	Kowall	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

Senator Hertel offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, following line 16, by inserting:  
“(f) Senate Bill No. 58.”.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Hood requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 321****Yeas—11**

Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Schuitmaker	Young
Hertel	Johnson	Smith	

**Nays—26**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Rocca
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schmidt
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	Kowall	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien



Senator Hood offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, following line 16, by inserting:

“(f) Senate Bill No. 60.”.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Hood requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 322**

**Yeas—11**

Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Rocca	Young
Hertel	Johnson	Smith	

**Nays—26**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	Kowall	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 323**

**Yeas—30**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knezek	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Knollenberg	Proos	Stamas
Gregory	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Nays—7**

Bieda	Hood	Johnson	Young
Hertel	Hopgood	Warren	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

Senators Johnson, Bieda, Hertel and Hood asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson's statement is as follows:

This amendment would tie-bar the bill before us to Senate Bill No. 59 to allow for no-reason absentee voting in Michigan. Supporters of the bills before us say that February elections have very low voter turnout, so we should simply eliminate them. My amendment would help increase voter turnout by allowing for voters to vote by absentee ballot for no reason. It's a commonsense reform that is long overdue in our state.

Just this week, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson testified before the House Elections Committee supporting no-reason absentee voting, stating that Michigan is ready to join 27 other states that already allow this practice. If the supporters of these bills are so concerned about voter turnout, I hope they will join me in supporting this amendment, and I urge my colleagues for their support.

Senator Bieda's statement is as follows:

The supporters of the bills before us say they are concerned about low voter turnout at February elections. I have been concerned about low voter turnout for years, but we are not proposing doing away with elections. Instead, we have urged commonsense reforms to help increase access to voting. My amendment would allow for electronic submission of voter registration applications on the Secretary of State's website.

In the year 2015, this is something we should be able to do very easily. It's a small, commonsense reform that will make a real difference increasing voter turnout. I ask my colleagues for their support.

Senator Hertel's statement is as follows:

This amendment would tie-bar the bill before us to Senate Bill No. 58, which would allow for voter pre-registration starting at age 16. We know that often the initial registration process is one of the biggest hurdles we face in getting new voters to participate in elections. Allowing young people to pre-register to vote helps engage them in the process so they will be ready to cast a ballot when they reach voting age.

If some of my colleagues in this chamber think we need to do away with February elections because of low voter turnout, this amendment is commonsense reform that will help us increase the number of voters at the polls. I ask my colleagues for their support.

Senator Hood's statement is as follows:

I rise to express my support of my amendment and ask for the support of my colleagues. This amendment is simply because voter turnout is so low, and there is no reason to hold the election. If that is true, this chamber should have no trouble supporting a tie-bar to Senate Bill No. 60, which provides for an early voting period.

This amendment would increase voter turnout by giving Michigan citizens more opportunities to vote. Once again, if we are attempting to remedy the problem of low voter turnout, I am certain that this body will have no problem supporting this amendment.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4272, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 642 (MCL 168.642), as amended by 2013 PA 51.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 324**

**Yeas—30**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knezek	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Knollenberg	Proos	Stamas
Gregory	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Nays—7**

Bieda	Hood	Johnson	Young
Hertel	Hopgood	Warren	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

"An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act,".

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4273, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 641 (MCL 168.641), as amended by 2015 PA 2.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 325****Yeas—30**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knezek	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Knollenberg	Proos	Stamas
Gregory	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Nays—7**

Bieda	Hood	Johnson	Young
Hertel	Hopgood	Warren	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4274, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 970e (MCL 168.970e), as added by 2012 PA 417.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 326****Yeas—30**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker

Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knezek	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Knollenberg	Proos	Stamas
Gregory	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Nays—7**

Bieda	Hood	Johnson	Young
Hertel	Hopgood	Warren	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4276, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 963 (MCL 168.963), as amended by 2012 PA 417.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 327****Yeas—31**

Booher	Hertel	MacGregor	Rocca
Brandenburg	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Schmidt
Casperson	Horn	Meekhof	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Hune	Nofs	Shirkey
Emmons	Jones	O'Brien	Smith
Green	Knezek	Pavlov	Stamas
Gregory	Knollenberg	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	Kowall	Robertson	

**Nays—6**

Bieda	Hopgood	Warren	Young
Hood	Johnson		

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4385, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 322 (MCL 168.322), as amended by 2012 PA 276.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 328****Yeas—30**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knezek	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Knollenberg	Proos	Stamas
Gregory	Kowall	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Nays—7**

Bieda	Hood	Johnson	Young
Hertel	Hopgood	Warren	

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

Senator Kowall moved that the following bill be placed at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

**Senate Bill No. 343**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 343, entitled**

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled “The public school employees retirement act of 1979,” by amending sections 41 and 41a (MCL 38.1341 and 38.1341a), as amended by 2012 PA 300.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Schuitmaker offered the following amendments:

1. Amend page 4, line 13, after “(E)” by striking out “**BEGINNING**” and inserting “**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, BEGINNING**”.

2. Amend page 4, line 17, after “**UNIT.**” by inserting “**THE CAP ON THE CONTRIBUTION RATE APPLIED TO THE COMBINED PAYROLL UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION DOES NOT APPLY TO A UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT THAT, AFTER JUNE 1, 2015, ADOPTS AND IMPLEMENTS AN INCREASE IN TUITION AND FEE RATES FOR RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS THAT IS GREATER THAN THE PERCENTAGE PROVIDED IN SECTION 265 OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1865.**”.

The amendments were adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senator Kowall requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendments were adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 329****Yeas—28**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Rocca
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Smith
Green	Kowall	Proos	Stamas
Hansen	MacGregor	Robertson	Zorn

**Nays—9**

Bieda  
Gregory  
Hertel

Hood  
Hopgood

Johnson  
Knezek

Warren  
Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on the passage of the bill,  
The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 330****Yeas—32**

Bieda  
Booher  
Brandenburg  
Casperson  
Emmons  
Green  
Gregory  
Hansen

Hertel  
Hildenbrand  
Horn  
Hune  
Jones  
Knezek  
Knollenberg  
Kowall

MacGregor  
Marleau  
Meekhof  
Nofs  
O'Brien  
Pavlov  
Proos  
Robertson

Rocca  
Schmidt  
Schuitmaker  
Shirkey  
Smith  
Stamas  
Warren  
Zorn

**Nays—5**

Colbeck  
Hood

Hopgood

Johnson

Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.



Senators Schuitmaker and Young asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Schuitmaker's first statement is as follows:

Seven of Michigan's public universities currently participate in the MPSERS retirement system. Like K-12 schools, as retirement costs have increased, employer contributions to MPSERS have become increasingly burdensome to these universities' budgets.

In 2012, the Legislature capped employer contributions to MPSERS for K-12 schools. However, that change did not apply to the seven participating universities. I understand the costs to the universities and that the increasing MPSERS obligations have put them at a disadvantage, which is why I sponsored Senate Bill No. 343, which would cap employer contributions for them as well. We have already been doing this in practice, and this year, \$5.2 million from the Higher Education budget will be going to cover those higher MPSERS costs.

It is frustrating that, as the Legislature is on the cusp of providing this needed relief, at least one of these universities—with perhaps more in the next few weeks—has chosen to disregard the tuition restraint put in place by the Legislature and signed by the Governor just yesterday by substantially increasing the costs to their students.

As you all know, I have been a tireless advocate for a public reinvestment in higher education here in Michigan. At the same time, I have insisted that along with this reinvestment, universities must keep their tuition costs down so that a quality higher education does not move even further out of reach for our students. The tuition restraint level set this year is 3.2 percent, which is twice the rate of inflation. Along with that allowable tuition increase, universities received a 1.5 percent increase in their operations funding from the state. It is unsettling to me, and I know it's unsettling to many of you as well, that, as we are taking steps to provide financial relief to them, they are increasing the financial burden on their students.

My amendment states that in order for this cap on MPSERS employer contributions to apply to a university, they must comply with tuition restraint for the duration of the existence of the cap. Should a university choose to disregard the tuition restraint at any time, the MPSERS cap would no longer be applied to them going forward.

My primary reason for supporting a public reinvestment in higher education is not just to give universities more money to spend; it is to make college more affordable for students. The reason for the tuition restraint is not just to squeeze universities; it is to make college more affordable for students. If a university is unable to partner with us in that mission of making college more affordable, then they should not be rewarded with even more state money.

I would encourage my colleagues to support this amendment and to support Senate Bill No. 343.

Senator Schuitmaker's second statement is as follows:

Through you to the Senator from the 23rd District, most of the universities in this state are making difficult decisions to trim expenses and find inefficiencies. What does it say to them if we reward universities who don't? What does it say to our kids who are having to pay more and more when we reward their school for making school more expensive?

Over the last five years, EMU has increased their tuition by 24 percent. What does that represent? Their appropriation from the state is \$4,000. Wayne State University gets a whole \$8,000 per student. EMU gets over \$4,000 per student, and that makes it the sixth highest paid per student out of the other universities. To put that in context: Grand Valley State University, in the Senate Majority Leader's backyard, gets \$2,932 per student. EMU, who increased their tuition by over 7.8 percent, gets \$4,000. They are getting over \$1,300 more per student. We have to stand for the students and the parents whom we represent.

Senator Young's statement is as follows:

I think this amendment is horrible. I cannot directly speak for EMU, but I know for Wayne State University, we're a research university, and that's why we receive more money. We are a university that actually deals with the sciences and cutting-edge technology every day. In order for us to solve the issue of funding for universities, we have to look at why we are cutting them and not investing in them. This is an issue of investment. Just because a university may or may not get more money, that is not enough of a reason to take money from them. There has to be a justification for what you are doing with that revenue and what you think you can do with that revenue better than another university. I haven't heard that. All I have heard is one side gets this amount, and the other side gets this little amount, so that's a justification to take money from them. No, it's not, because that is making the assumption that money is being wasted and it's not.

Coming from a research university such as Wayne State University, that money is used every day for medical, biological, and technological advances. It has to be more than they are getting more money; there has to be a "why" there. I haven't seen that. Again, we have to get rid of those garbage metrics we're using and go to something more accurate. I don't mean to say I told you so, but I did.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

#### **Motions and Communications**

Senator Kowall moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Committee Reports, be placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

**House Bill No. 4325**

**House Bill No. 4326**

**House Bill No. 4327****House Bill No. 4328****House Bill No. 4329****House Bill No. 4330**

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**General Orders**

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for consideration of the General Orders calendar.

The motion prevailed, and the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, designated Senator Hertel as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President pro tempore, Senator Schuitmaker, having assumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4391, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 8307a, 8308, 8310, 8310a, 8312, 8313, 8317, 8504, 8505, 8506, 8704, 8708, 8710, 8715, 8716, and 8807 (MCL 324.8307a, 324.8308, 324.8310, 324.8310a, 324.8312, 324.8313, 324.8317, 324.8504, 324.8505, 324.8506, 324.8704, 324.8708, 324.8710, 324.8715, 324.8716, and 324.8807), section 8307a as added and sections 8312 and 8313 as amended by 2002 PA 418, section 8310 as amended and section 8310a as added by 2008 PA 18, section 8317 as amended by 2012 PA 316, sections 8504 and 8505 as amended by 2014 PA 178, section 8506 as amended by 2006 PA 503, sections 8704, 8710, 8715, and 8716 as amended by 2011 PA 2, section 8708 as amended by 2013 PA 46, and section 8807 as amended by 2011 PA 1, and by adding section 8506a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Substitute (S-6).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4325, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1219.

Substitute (S-5).

The following is the amendment to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole:

1. Amend page 9, line 21, after "**TREASURER**" by striking out "**SHALL**" and inserting "**MAY**".

The Senate agreed to the substitute as amended recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4326, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled "Local financial stability and choice act," by amending sections 2 and 4 (MCL 141.1542 and 141.1544).

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4327, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1220.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4328, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 102 (MCL 388.1702), as amended by 2013 PA 60.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:  
**House Bill No. 4329, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled "Local financial stability and choice act," (MCL 141.1541 to 141.1575) by adding section 7a.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:  
**House Bill No. 4330, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending sections 17a and 18 (MCL 388.1617a and 388.1618), section 17a as amended by 2014 PA 196 and section 18 as amended by 2015 PA 5.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of  
**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Kowall moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

**House Bill No. 4391**

**House Bill No. 4325**

**House Bill No. 4326**

**House Bill No. 4327**

**House Bill No. 4328**

**House Bill No. 4329**

**House Bill No. 4330**

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, resumed the Chair.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4391, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 8307a, 8308, 8310, 8310a, 8312, 8313, 8317, 8504, 8505, 8506, 8514, 8702, 8703, 8704, 8707, 8708, 8710, 8713a, 8715, 8716, and 8807 (MCL 324.8307a, 324.8308, 324.8310, 324.8310a, 324.8312, 324.8313, 324.8317, 324.8504, 324.8505, 324.8506, 324.8514, 324.8702, 324.8703, 324.8704, 324.8707, 324.8708, 324.8710, 324.8713a, 324.8715, 324.8716, and 324.8807), section 8307a as added and sections 8312 and 8313 as amended by 2002 PA 418, section 8310 as amended and section 8310a as added by 2008 PA 18, section 8317 as amended by 2012 PA 316, sections 8504 and 8505 as amended by 2014 PA 178, sections 8506 and 8514 as amended by 2006 PA 503, sections 8702, 8704, 8710, 8715, and 8716 as amended and section 8713a as added by 2011 PA 2, sections 8703, 8707, and 8708 as amended by 2013 PA 46, and section 8807 as amended by 2011 PA 1, and by adding sections 8506a and 8512h; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 331**

**Yeas—24**

Booher	Horn	Marleau	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Meekhof	Schuitmaker
Emmons	Jones	Nofs	Shirkey
Green	Knollenberg	O'Brien	Smith
Hansen	Kowall	Proos	Stamas
Hildenbrand	MacGregor	Robertson	Zorn

**Nays—13**

Bieda	Hertel	Johnson	Rocca
Brandenburg	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Colbeck	Hopgood	Pavlov	Young
Gregory			

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to protect the people’s right to hunt and fish; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4325, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1219.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Knezek offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 17, following line 4, by striking out the balance of the enacting section.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 332****Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Proos	Zorn
Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4326, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled “Local financial stability and choice act,” by amending sections 2 and 4 (MCL 141.1542 and 141.1544).

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 333**

**Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Proos	Zorn
Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to safeguard and assure the financial accountability of local units of government and school districts; to preserve the capacity of local units of government and school districts to provide or cause to be provided necessary services essential to the public health, safety, and welfare; to provide for review, management, planning, and control of the financial operation of local units of government and school districts and the provision of services by local units of government and school districts; to provide criteria to be used in determining the financial condition of local units of government and school districts; to authorize a declaration of the existence of a financial emergency within a local unit of government or school district; to prescribe remedial measures to address a financial emergency within a local unit of government or school district; to provide for a review and appeal process; to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the powers and duties of an emergency manager for a local unit of government or school district; to provide for the modification or termination of contracts under certain circumstances; to provide for the termination of a financial emergency within a local unit of government or school district; to provide a process by which a local unit of government or school district may file for bankruptcy; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials and officials within local units of government and school districts; to provide for appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts;”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4327, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1220.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 334**

**Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O'Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Proos	Zorn
Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4328, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” by amending section 102 (MCL 388.1702), as amended by 2013 PA 60.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 335**

**Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O’Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
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Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O’Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to make appropriations to aid in the support of the public schools, the intermediate school districts, community colleges, and public universities of the state; to make appropriations for certain other purposes relating to education; to provide for the disbursement of the appropriations; to authorize the issuance of certain bonds and provide for the security of those bonds; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to create certain funds and provide for their expenditure; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4329, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled “Local financial stability and choice act,” (MCL 141.1541 to 141.1575) by adding section 7a.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 336**

**Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O’Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Pros	Zorn
Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O’Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to safeguard and assure the financial accountability of local units of government and school districts; to preserve the capacity of local units of government and school districts to provide or cause to be provided necessary services essential to the public health, safety, and welfare; to provide for review, management, planning, and control of the financial operation of local units of government and school districts and the provision of services by local units of government and school districts; to provide criteria to be used in determining the financial condition of local units of government and school districts; to authorize a declaration of the existence of a financial emergency within a local unit



of government or school district; to prescribe remedial measures to address a financial emergency within a local unit of government or school district; to provide for a review and appeal process; to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the powers and duties of an emergency manager for a local unit of government or school district; to provide for the modification or termination of contracts under certain circumstances; to provide for the termination of a financial emergency within a local unit of government or school district; to provide a process by which a local unit of government or school district may file for bankruptcy; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials and officials within local units of government and school districts; to provide for appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4330, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” by amending sections 17a and 18 (MCL 388.1617a and 388.1618), section 17a as amended by 2014 PA 196 and section 18 as amended by 2015 PA 5.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 337**

**Yeas—25**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Knollenberg	O’Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Kowall	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	MacGregor	Pros	Zorn
Hansen			

**Nays—12**

Bieda	Hood	Jones	Smith
Gregory	Hopgood	Knezek	Warren
Hertel	Johnson	Rocca	Young

**Excused—1**

Ananich

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O’Brien

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to make appropriations to aid in the support of the public schools, the intermediate school districts, community colleges, and public universities of the state; to make appropriations for certain other purposes relating to education; to provide for the disbursement of the appropriations; to authorize the issuance of certain bonds and provide for the security of those bonds; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to create certain funds and provide for their expenditure; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of  
**Messages from the Governor**

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

**APPROPRIATIONS; OMNIBUS BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

June 17, 2015

Today I have signed Enrolled Senate Bill 133, which makes appropriations for various departments and agencies, the judicial branch and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. The appropriations in Enrolled Senate Bill 133 total \$38.6 billion and provide funding for critical services throughout the state.

I have, however, disapproved one item pursuant to Section 19 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963. The specific veto is detailed in the attached copy of the bill that has been filed with the Secretary of State.

I have disapproved the attempted re-appropriation of lapsed funds in section 1010(1) of Article X because the legislature has already appropriated, and I have approved, funding for the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans as necessary to comply with federal regulations and state law.

I have considered the enforceability of boilerplate provisions as I provide direction to departments in implementing appropriations contained in Enrolled Senate Bill 133. Among the various provisions that are considered unenforceable, I note the following: section 453(2) (Article I); section 1069 (Article VIII); and section 382 (Article XVII).

Enrolled Senate Bill 133 also contains numerous boilerplate sections that include statements of legislative intent. We will take these legislative preferences into consideration as departments and agencies implement the appropriations. However, these legislative intent statements do not impose conditions on appropriations and are non-binding upon departments and agencies implementing the appropriations.

I commend the Legislature for completing its work on this omnibus appropriations bill. I look forward to reaching resolution on a road funding package with the same spirit of cooperation. A properly maintained transportation infrastructure is vital to Michigan's economy and to the safety of residents and visitors of this great state. I am hopeful that, in partnership with the Legislature, a permanent plan is set in motion to make this critical investment.

Respectfully,  
Rick Snyder  
Governor

This bill was signed by the Governor on June 17, 2015, at 2:02 p.m. (Filed with the Secretary of State on June 17, 2015, at 4:03 p.m.) and assigned Public Act No. 84.

The question being on the passage of the vetoed line item, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, Senator Kowall moved that the veto message be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of  
**Statements**

Senators Meekhof and Johnson asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Meekhof's statement is as follows:

I rise today to recognize one of my staffers, Emily LeBlanc. Over the course of the past two years, Emily has compiled an impressive résumé of experiences, beginning with her position on the communications staff at the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and with her most recent position as deputy press secretary in my office. Emily has demonstrated an ever-increasing skill set to the benefit of each agency and employer.

As a member of my team, Emily interacted with the media, drafted caucus communication documents, worked on social media, and focused on improved communication with the residents of my district. Emily has amassed an impressive résumé in a relatively short period of time. Her value is evident in her willingness to complete any task assigned. In short, Emily is someone you want on your team. Perhaps what is most special about Emily is her warm and pleasant demeanor, her easy-going attitude, and her eagerness to take on new challenges.

I'm sorry to see her leave, but she has a good reason. She will soon be moving to New Hampshire to be with her fiancé and to start their lives as a married couple. I wish Emily and her fiancé Michael the very best, and I ask the Senate to join me in thanking Emily for her hard work and service to the citizens of Michigan.

Senator Johnson's statement is as follows:

As we approach June 19, which every year across the United States of America is recognized as Juneteenth, I thought that I would rise today to read the contents of a resolution that we will see offered to the Judiciary Committee, and we'll have a lot of conversation about it in the coming days. Before I do that, I would like to thank my colleagues from the 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 15th, 18th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 29th, 33rd, 35th, and 27th Districts for signing onto a resolution that I think we will take testimony on in the Judiciary Committee on June 30:

"A resolution recognizing June 19, 2015, as Juneteenth.

Whereas, The transatlantic slave trade system established both Europe and North America as world powers by and through the commoditization of Africans. Millions of Africans suffered disease and death on the eight week voyages across the Middle Passage; and

Whereas, From 1619 through 1865, millions of Africans and their descendants were enslaved in the United States, the thirteen American colonies, and eventually the United States of America; and

Whereas, Maritime, agricultural, insurance, defense, tobacco, sugar, and cotton industries were established off profits from the atrocities of slavery; and

Whereas, Slavery highlights the fundamental hypocrisy and moral contradiction of European whites in America who declared independent rights from Great Britain, while holding in bondage more than 100,000 Africans; and

Whereas, Michigan served as the major hub of the Underground Railroad and home to several white abolitionists, including U.S. Representative and U.S. Senator Jacob Merritt Howard, Guy Beckley of Ann Arbor, Erastus Hussey of Battle Creek, and Seymour Finney of Detroit; and

Whereas, Through the work of these great men of all colors, Second Baptist Church of Detroit, Friends of the Fugitives, Anti-Slavery Society, and other institutions, thousands of slaves were freed; and

Whereas, On this day in 1865, Texas was the last state to recognize that enslaved persons were free, two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed by President Lincoln. For this reason, it is celebrated as Juneteenth; and

Whereas, Slavery was abolished through the passage of the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution in 1865, after the end of the Civil War; and

Whereas, After the emancipation from 246 years of slavery, Africans in American continue to experience the vestiges of slavery from challenges to voting rights, inadequate public education systems, lack of access to capital lending institutions, and other social and economic injustices; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body commemorate June 19, 2015, as Juneteenth in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize the devastating legacy of American slavery, and encourage all citizens of Michigan to educate each other and future generations on the history of slavery to ensure that this tragedy will never be forgotten or repeated."

Madam President, it is important to me, because in this chamber and in this state and all across this country, we have found a way to commemorate, to memorialize, and to then celebrate the freedoms of people who have achieved that freedom through their struggles; people like the Jews, the Armenians, people of Asian-Pacific descent, and people who are Native American. It is high time that in this country we begin the very slow and, in my mind, the very necessary process of healing this country from its first atrocity, and that is what we did to not just Native Americans, but black folks in this country.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

### **Introduction and Referral of Bills**

Senators Schuitmaker and Emmons introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 405, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1311 and 1561 (MCL 380.1311 and 380.1561), section 1311 as amended by 2008 PA 1 and section 1561 as amended by 2009 PA 204.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Schuitmaker and Emmons introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 406, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1586 (MCL 380.1586).

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Emmons and Schuitmaker introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 407, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1310a (MCL 380.1310a), as amended by 2000 PA 230.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Emmons and Schuitmaker introduced

**Senate Bill No. 408, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending section 2 of chapter XIIA (MCL 712A.2), as amended by 2014 PA 342.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators O'Brien, Casperson and Knezek introduced

**Senate Bill No. 409, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 7340c (MCL 333.7340c), as added by 2014 PA 217.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Casperson, O'Brien and Knezek introduced

**Senate Bill No. 410, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 13m of chapter XVII (MCL 777.13m), as amended by 2014 PA 218.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Bieda introduced

**Senate Bill No. 411, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 61505b.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Senators Knollenberg and Marleau introduced

**Senate Bill No. 412, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 3104 (MCL 500.3104), as amended by 2002 PA 662.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Senators Knollenberg and Marleau introduced

**Senate Bill No. 413, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," (MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 805a.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Senator Schmidt introduced

**Senate Bill No. 414, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending sections 1, 51, and 601 (MCL 206.1, 206.51, and 206.601), section 51 as amended by 2012 PA 223 and section 601 as added by 2011 PA 38.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Hansen introduced

**Senate Bill No. 415, entitled**

A bill to create the road and bridge fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the road and bridge fund; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Brandenburg, Colbeck, Hansen, Hune, Robertson, Zorn, Nofs, Schmidt, Marleau and Hildenbrand introduced

**Senate Bill No. 416, entitled**

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," (MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 4ee.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Brandenburg, Colbeck, Hansen, Hune, Robertson, Zorn, Nofs, Schmidt, Marleau and Hildenbrand introduced **Senate Bill No. 417, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," (MCL 205.91 to 205.111) by adding section 4cc. The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Schmidt introduced

**Senate Bill No. 418, entitled**

A bill to amend 1945 PA 327, entitled "Aeronautics code of the state of Michigan," by amending section 203 (MCL 259.203), as amended by 2008 PA 25.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

**House Bill No. 4039, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 78f and 78i (MCL 211.78f and 211.78i), section 78f as amended by 2003 PA 263 and section 78i as amended by 2006 PA 611, and by adding section 78s.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

**House Bill No. 4185, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 217c (MCL 257.217c), as amended by 2002 PA 642.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 4314, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 601d (MCL 257.601d), as added by 2008 PA 463.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**House Bill No. 4459, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 310 (MCL 257.310), as amended by 2013 PA 27.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**House Bill No. 4460, entitled**

A bill to amend 1972 PA 222, entitled "An act to provide for an official personal identification card; to provide for its form, issuance and use; to regulate the use and disclosure of information obtained from the card; to prescribe the powers and duties of the secretary of state; to prescribe fees; to prescribe certain penalties for violations; and to provide an appropriation for certain purposes," by amending section 2 (MCL 28.292), as amended by 2013 PA 28.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**House Bill No. 4637, entitled**

A bill to regulate transportation network companies in this state; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 4638, entitled**

A bill to amend 1990 PA 271, entitled "Limousine transportation act," by amending section 5 (MCL 257.1905).

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 4639, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending sections 3009, 3037, 3101, and 3113 (MCL 500.3009, 500.3037, 500.3101, and 500.3113), section 3009 as amended by 1988 PA 43, section 3037 as amended by 1980 PA 461, section 3101 as amended by 2014 PA 492, and section 3113 as amended by 2014 PA 489, and by adding section 3017.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 4640, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 3114 (MCL 500.3114), as amended by 2002 PA 38.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 4641, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 6 and 7 (MCL 257.6 and 257.7), section 6 as amended by 2002 PA 534, and by adding sections 12c, 40c, 43b, 76a, 76b, 76c, and 518a.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Senator Kowall moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, June 30, at 10:00 a.m. The motion prevailed.

### Committee Reports

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 225, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled "An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices without a license or other authorization; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms and electro-muscular disruption devices under certain circumstances; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to prohibit certain conduct against individuals who apply for or receive a license to carry a concealed pistol; to make appropriations; to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act," by amending sections 2 and 2a (MCL 28.422 and 28.422a), section 2 as amended by 2014 PA 201 and section 2a as amended by 2013 PA 3, and by adding section 12c.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 340, entitled**

A bill to amend 1915 PA 31, entitled "Youth tobacco act," by amending sections 1 and 2 (MCL 722.641 and 722.642), as amended by 2006 PA 236.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 384, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending section 43b (MCL 400.43b), as added by 2002 PA 573.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Rick Jones

Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 385, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 231 (MCL 750.231), as amended by 2006 PA 401.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Rick Jones

Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker and Bieda

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at 3:30 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Jones (C), Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda

Excused: Senator Colbeck

The Committee on Appropriations reported

**Senate Bill No. 356, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 12, 1211, and 1260 (MCL 380.12, 380.1211, and 380.1260), section 12 as amended by 2013 PA 96, section 1211 as amended by 2012 PA 285, and section 1260 as amended by 1995 PA 289.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-3) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

David S. Hildenbrand

Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hildenbrand, MacGregor, Hansen, Stamas, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg, Booher, Shirkey, Nofs, Green, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel and Knezek

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Appropriations submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building  
 Present: Senators Hildenbrand (C), MacGregor, Hansen, Stamas, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg, Booher, Shirkey, Proos, Nofs, Green, Marleau, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel and Knezek  
 Excused: Senator Young

The Committee on Insurance reported

**Senate Bill No. 150, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406t. With the recommendation that the substitute (S-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass. The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Joe Hune  
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Jones, Bieda, Johnson and Young  
 Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Insurance reported

**House Bill No. 4193, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 328 (MCL 257.328), as amended by 2004 PA 52.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Joe Hune  
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hune, Schmidt, O'Brien, Bieda and Johnson  
 Nays: Senator Brandenburg

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Insurance reported

**House Bill No. 4354, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending sections 2021, 2108, 2112, 2406, 2458, 2606, and 2652 (MCL 500.2021, 500.2108, 500.2112, 500.2406, 500.2458, 500.2606, and 500.2652), section 2021 as added by 1982 PA 7, section 2112 as amended by 2012 PA 454, section 2406 as amended by 1993 PA 200, and section 2458 as amended by 1988 PA 262.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Joe Hune  
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hune, Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Jones, Bieda, Johnson and Young  
 Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Insurance submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building  
 Present: Senators Hune (C), Brandenburg, Schmidt, O'Brien, Jones, Bieda, Johnson and Young  
 Excused: Senator Horn



The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4326, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled "Local financial stability and choice act," by amending sections 2 and 4 (MCL 141.1542 and 141.1544).

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher and Colbeck

Nays: Senator Knezek

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4329, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 436, entitled "Local financial stability and choice act," (MCL 141.1541 to 141.1575) by adding section 7a.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher and Colbeck

Nays: Senator Knezek

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4330, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending sections 17a and 18 (MCL 388.1617a and 388.1618), section 17a as amended by 2014 PA 196 and section 18 as amended by 2015 PA 5.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck and Knezek

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4325, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1219.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-5) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck and Knezek

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4327, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1220.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

**To Report Out:**

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck and Knezek

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Education reported

**House Bill No. 4328, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 102 (MCL 388.1702), as amended by 2013 PA 60.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Phillip J. Pavlov  
Chairperson

**To Report Out:**

Yeas: Senators Pavlov, Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck and Knezek

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

**COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT**

The Committee on Education submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, June 18, 2015, at 8:15 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Knollenberg, Booher, Colbeck and Knezek

**Scheduled Meetings**

**Criminal Justice Policy Commission** - Wednesday, July 1, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-0212)

**Elections and Government Reform** - Tuesday, June 30, 9:00 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1721)

**Finance** - Tuesday, June 23, 8:30 a.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-5312) (CANCELED)

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:56 p.m.

In pursuance of the order previously made, the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

JEFFREY F. COBB  
Secretary of the Senate