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10:00 a.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore.

The roll was called by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, who announced that a quorum was present.

Accavitti—present	Dillon—present	Lahti—present	Pearce—present
Acciavatti—present	Donigan—present	LaJoy—present	Polidori—present
Agema—present	Ebli—present	Law, David—present	Proos—present
Amos—present	Elsenheimer—present	Law, Kathleen—present	Robertson—present
Angerer—present	Emmons—present	LeBlanc—present	Rocca—present
Ball—present	Espinoza—present	Leland—present	Sak—present
Bauer—present	Farrah—present	Lemmons—present	Schuitmaker—present
Bennett—present	Gaffney—present	Lindberg—present	Scott—present
Bieda—present	Garfield—excused	Marleau—present	Shaffer—present
Booher—present	Gillard—present	Mayes—present	Sheen—present
Brandenburg—present	Gonzales—present	McDowell—present	Sheltrown—present
Brown—present	Green—present	Meadows—present	Simpson—present
Byrnes—present	Griffin—present	Meekhof—present	Smith, Alma—present
Byrum—present	Hammel—present	Meisner—present	Smith, Virgil—present
Calley—present	Hammon—present	Melton—present	Spade—present
Casperson—present	Hansen—present	Meltzer—present	Stahl—present
Caswell—present	Hildenbrand—present	Miller—present	Stakoe—present
Caul—present	Hood—present	Moolenaar—present	Steil—present
Cheeks—excused	Hoogendyk—present	Moore—present	Tobocman—present
Clack—present	Hopgood—present	Moss—excused	Vagnozzi—present
Clemente—present	Horn—present	Nitz—present	Valentine—present
Condino—present	Huizenga—present	Nofs—present	Walker—present
Constan—present	Hune—present	Opsommer—present	Ward—present
Corriveau—present	Jackson—present	Palmer—excused	Warren—present
Coulouris—present	Johnson—present	Palsrok—present	Wenke—present
Cushingberry—present	Jones, Rick—present	Pastor—present	Wojno—present
Dean—present	Jones, Robert—present	Pavlov—present	Young—present
DeRoche—present	Knollenberg—present		

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Robert B. Jones, from the 60th District, offered the following invocation:

“Father we come to You today asking for Your blessing. We ask for Your blessing for reason, moderation and above all service to the great people of this great state. Father we ask that You help us put service before self. And we ask that You direct and guide our leaders with wisdom and discernment. Father we ask that You bless this nation and all its leaders from the President to the lowest official. We ask that You look after and protect our servicemen that are serving this country in foreign lands and foreign wars. We ask that You bless our law enforcement officers. Bless our police, firefighters and all those who risk their lives providing services to the public. Most of all Father we ask that You bless the deliberations of this body that we together reach resolution for this great state so that we can do Your will. We ask that You consider these blessings and ask that You bless everyone here today. In thy son Jesus name we pray. Amen.”

Rep. Booher moved that Reps. Garfield, Moss and Palmer be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Miller moved that Rep. Cheeks be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Education be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4797**.
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Education be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4798**.
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Education be discharged from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 188**.
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Families and Children’s Services be discharged from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 271**.
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 436**.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Oversight and Investigations be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4809**.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rule 42 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Angerer moved that the Committee on Families and Children's Services be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4284**.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.
The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 436, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the legislative branch, and the judicial branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Cushingberry moved to substitute (H-1) the bill.
The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Tobocman moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 38, line 18, by striking out the balance of the page.

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

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 436, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the legislative branch, and the judicial branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 173**Yeas—69**

Accavitti	Corriveau	Huizenga	Proos
Acciavatti	DeRoche	Jones, Rick	Robertson
Agema	Dillon	Lahti	Rocca
Angerer	Donigan	LaJoy	Scott
Ball	Ebli	Law, David	Shaffer
Bieda	Espinoza	McDowell	Sheen
Booher	Farrah	Meekhof	Sheltrown
Brandenburg	Gaffney	Meltzer	Simpson
Brown	Gonzales	Miller	Spade
Byrnes	Green	Moore	Stahl
Byrum	Griffin	Nofs	Steil
Casperson	Hammel	Opsommer	Tobocman
Caswell	Hammon	Palsrok	Vagnozzi
Caul	Hansen	Pastor	Valentine
Clack	Hildenbrand	Pavlov	Walker
Clemente	Hoogendyk	Pearce	Wojno
Condino	Hopgood	Polidori	Young
Constan			

Nays—37

Amos	Hood	Leland	Nitz
Bauer	Horn	Lemmons	Sak
Bennett	Hune	Lindberg	Schuitmaker
Calley	Jackson	Marleau	Smith, Alma
Coulouris	Johnson	Mayer	Smith, Virgil
Cushingberry	Jones, Robert	Meadows	Stakoe
Dean	Knollenberg	Meisner	Ward
Elsenheimer	Law, Kathleen	Melton	Warren
Emmons	LeBlanc	Moolenaar	Wenke
Gillard			

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Kathleen Law, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on SB436 because of the lack of a tie bar to revenue. While SB 436 does not cut medicade funding and funding for medical providers it does cut into the bone and sinew of the states citizens. Continued administrative shifts and deferrals will not solve our current crisis.”

Rep. Elsenheimer, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I would vote for this bill if it did not include the cut to the Bovine TB fund. I have spent a great deal of time working to move toward several northern Michigan counties acquiring TB free status, and the loss of this line item will make that almost impossible. The resulting disruption to the sale and movement of beef cattle has the potential to affect millions of dollars in transactions in this industry, and will set back the advances being made to fight this devastating disease. There were several other areas in the budget where cuts could have been made without raiding this fund.

Beyond the Bovine TB issue, I am not pleased that the bill was distributed to the minority only minutes before a vote was taken on the bill.”

Rep. Leland, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on SB 436 because of the cuts to services that are critical to the most vulnerable citizens in my district and the state of Michigan as a whole. In particular, cuts to the Healthy Michigan Fund, which funds the Morris Hood Diabetes Outreach program, and minority health initiatives. Additionally, cuts to Arts & Cultural grants will cause devastation to important cultural tourism and local arts programs that are essential to the development and revitalization of our communities. Furthermore, because this bill is not tie-barred to a bill that provides additional revenues, it still leaves our state in a budget deficit after these draconian cuts.”

Rep. Hood, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on SB436 because of the reductions and elimination of programs that are critical to the most vulnerable of our citizens. The cut to Community Colleges, where people go when they are unable to attend a University, is crucial. The institutions of higher learning provide a service when people have limited choices, because of finances, transportation, or health issues. The reduction in Community Health (61million plus) hits many of the programs that are needed. These cuts will cost us more in the long run because of the loss of preventional measures. When we talk about being Environmentally responsible, but turn around and cut over 310,000 dollars in our Environmental Quality budget, which is used for contamination cleanup, are we as really worried about our environment. When programs are cut out of this budget such as the Morris Hood diabetes center, located on the campus of Wayne State University, which serves people with diabetes, which is one of our leading contributors of death, all across this state with treatment and prevention is a disgrace.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Tobocman moved that the Committee on Education be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4799**.

(For first notice see House Journal No. 52, p. 798.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Tobocman,

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4799, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled “The public school employees retirement act of 1979,” by amending section 61 (MCL 38.1361), as amended by 2006 PA 158.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Tobocman moved to substitute (H-5) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-5) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Wenke moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4799, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled "The public school employees retirement act of 1979," by amending section 61 (MCL 38.1361), as amended by 2006 PA 158.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 174

Yeas—58

Accavitti	Dean	Jones, Robert	Sak
Angerer	Dillon	Law, Kathleen	Scott
Ball	Donigan	LeBlanc	Sheltrown
Bauer	Ebli	Leland	Simpson
Bennett	Espinoza	Lemmons	Smith, Alma
Bieda	Farrah	Lindberg	Smith, Virgil
Brown	Gillard	Mayes	Spade
Byrnes	Gonzales	McDowell	Tobocman
Byrum	Griffin	Meisner	Valentine
Clemente	Hammel	Melton	Ward
Condino	Hammon	Meltzer	Warren
Constan	Hood	Miller	Wenke
Corriveau	Hopgood	Polidori	Wojno
Coulouris	Jackson	Rocca	Young
Cushingberry	Johnson		

Nays—45

Acciavatti	Hansen	Marleau	Pearce
Agema	Hildenbrand	Meadows	Proos
Amos	Hoogendyk	Meekhof	Robertson
Booher	Horn	Moolenaar	Schuitmaker
Brandenburg	Huizenga	Moore	Shaffer
Calley	Hune	Nitz	Sheen
Casperson	Jones, Rick	Nofs	Stahl
DeRoche	Knollenberg	Opsommer	Stakoe
Elsenheimer	Lahti	Palsrok	Steil
Emmons	LaJoy	Pastor	Vagnozzi
Gaffney	Law, David	Pavlov	Walker
Green			

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Caswell, under Rule 31, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I did not vote on Roll Call No. 174 because of a possible conflict of interest."

Rep. Caul, under Rule 31, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I did not vote on Roll Call No. 174 because of a possible conflict of interest.”

Rep. Clack, under Rule 31, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I did not vote on Roll Call No. 174 because of a possible conflict of interest.”

Rep. Sheen, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted against this bill for two reasons, the first is that it was tie barred to HB 4500 which is an income tax hike, and the second because I only had 2 minutes to read the substitute H-1 before I had to vote for it and I will not vote for a bill I do not have time read. No explanation was given when requested.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Tobocman moved that the Committee on Oversight and Investigations be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4804**.

(For first notice see House Journal No. 52, p. 798.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Tobocman,

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4804, entitled

A bill to provide for the creation and operation of a program to allow public employers to participate in the state health plan; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Tobocman moved to substitute (H-3) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-3) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Elsenheimer moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, line 14, by striking out all of enacting section 1.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Elsenheimer,

Rep. Ward demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Elsenheimer,

Rep. Tobocman moved that consideration of the bill be postponed temporarily.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Tobocman moved that the Committee on Government Operations be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4246**.

(For first notice see House Journal No. 52, p. 798.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Tobocman,

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4246, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 8, entitled “An act to provide for intergovernmental transfers of functions and responsibilities,” by amending section 4 (MCL 124.534).

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Tobocman moved to substitute (H-2) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Steil moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4246, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 8, entitled “An act to provide for intergovernmental transfers of functions and responsibilities,” by amending section 4 (MCL 124.534).

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 175

Yeas—105

Accavitti	Dillon	Lahti	Polidori
Acciavatti	Donigan	LaJoy	Proos
Agema	Ebli	Law, David	Robertson
Amos	Elsenheimer	Law, Kathleen	Rocca
Angerer	Emmons	LeBlanc	Sak
Ball	Espinoza	Leland	Schuitmaker
Bauer	Farrah	Lemmons	Scott
Bennett	Gaffney	Lindberg	Shaffer
Bieda	Gillard	Marleau	Sheen
Booher	Gonzales	Mayer	Sheltrown
Brandenburg	Griffin	McDowell	Simpson
Brown	Hammel	Meadows	Smith, Alma
Byrnes	Hammon	Meekhof	Smith, Virgil
Byrum	Hansen	Meisner	Spade
Calley	Hildenbrand	Melton	Stahl
Casperson	Hood	Meltzer	Stakoe
Caswell	Hoogendyk	Miller	Steil
Caul	Hopgood	Moolenaar	Tobocman
Clack	Horn	Moore	Vagnozzi
Clemente	Huizenga	Nitz	Valentine
Condino	Hune	Nofs	Walker
Constan	Jackson	Opsommer	Ward
Corriveau	Johnson	Palsrok	Warren
Coulouris	Jones, Rick	Pastor	Wenke
Cushingberry	Jones, Robert	Pavlov	Wojno
Dean	Knollenberg	Pearce	Young
DeRoche			

Nays—0

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Tobocman moved that the Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4266**.

(For first notice see House Journal No. 52, p. 798.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Tobocman,

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills**House Bill No. 4266, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, entitled "Urban cooperation act of 1967," by amending section 5 (MCL 124.505), as amended by 1985 PA 10.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Tobocman moved to substitute (H-2) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Opsommer moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills**House Bill No. 4266, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, entitled "Urban cooperation act of 1967," by amending section 5 (MCL 124.505), as amended by 1985 PA 10.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 176**Yeas—105**

Accavitti	Dillon	Lahti	Polidori
Acciavatti	Donigan	LaJoy	Proos
Agema	Ebli	Law, David	Robertson
Amos	Elsenheimer	Law, Kathleen	Rocca
Angerer	Emmons	LeBlanc	Sak
Ball	Espinoza	Leland	Schuitmaker
Bauer	Farrah	Lemmons	Scott
Bennett	Gaffney	Lindberg	Shaffer
Bieda	Gillard	Marleau	Sheen

Booher	Gonzales	Mayes	Sheltrown
Brandenburg	Griffin	McDowell	Simpson
Brown	Hammel	Meadows	Smith, Alma
Byrnes	Hammon	Meekhof	Smith, Virgil
Byrum	Hansen	Meisner	Spade
Calley	Hildenbrand	Melton	Stahl
Casperson	Hood	Meltzer	Stakoe
Caswell	Hoogendyk	Miller	Steil
Caul	Hopgood	Moolenaar	Tobocman
Clack	Horn	Moore	Vagnozzi
Clemente	Huizenga	Nitz	Valentine
Condino	Hune	Nofs	Walker
Constan	Jackson	Opsommer	Ward
Corriveau	Johnson	Palsrok	Warren
Coulouris	Jones, Rick	Pastor	Wenke
Cushingberry	Jones, Robert	Pavlov	Wojno
Dean	Knollenberg	Pearce	Young
DeRoche			

Nays—0

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Ebli, Donigan, Robert Jones, Constan, Vagnozzi, Griffin, Virgil Smith, Mayes, Espinoza, Hammel, Clemente, Melton, Polidori, Brown, Gonzales, Miller, Bauer, Valentine, Kathleen Law, Leland, Jackson, Gillard, Farrah, Corriveau, Coulouris, LeBlanc, Dean, Angerer, Young, Alma Smith, McDowell, Bennett, Lemmons, Johnson, Opsommer and Rick Jones offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 122.

A resolution to urge all of Michigan's public universities to create an exception to grant residency status to students seeking to maintain their Michigan residency status following the transfer of an active duty parent by the military.

Whereas, There is no state or federal requirement regarding how public universities treat the children of active duty military personnel for tuition purposes. Each public university in Michigan is free to develop its own policy regarding the residency status of children of our active duty servicepersons. These policies are critical to the many young men and women who, through no fault of their own, may be unjustly classified as nonresidents for tuition purposes; and

Whereas, In fact, a Michigan resident who graduated from high school in Michigan, attended community college in Michigan, and works in Michigan was recently denied resident tuition status at the University of Michigan merely because his father, who is in active military service, was transferred to Illinois. This incident sheds light on a gap in the University of Michigan's policy. Currently, a Michigan resident whose military family leaves the state after being stationed elsewhere would qualify for a tuition waiver, but a student from a military family that was not originally from Michigan would not. Clearly, the many sacrifices made by those in service to our nation should not be exacerbated by an unreasonable public policy affecting their families; and

Whereas, Moreover, every effort should be made to support and accommodate our valiant men and women who are in active military service. Creating an exemption to grant resident tuition status to the children of these men and women would make a strong statement honoring their service. Indeed, there could be no finer testament to our respect and enduring appreciation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we hereby urge all of Michigan's public universities to create an exception to grant residency status to students seeking to maintain their Michigan residency status following the transfer of an active duty parent by the military; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President and members of the boards of Michigan's public universities.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Tobocman moved that Rule 71 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Rep. Virgil Smith offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 123.

A resolution to express support for the securitization of tobacco settlement fund money to the general fund as part of the effort to balance the state budget, provided this step is part of a long-term solution to the structural deficit.

Whereas, Michigan's budget challenges require the serious consideration of all options. Past practices have proven inadequate in dealing with the financial situation facing the state as it works to balance our budget and deal with what is clearly a structural deficit; and

Whereas, The seriousness of our ongoing budget shortfall has placed in jeopardy many vital programs and services and has a negative impact on virtually every public initiative in Michigan, from the classroom to public health and safety; and

Whereas, In light of the crisis facing our state, innovative solutions and resources must be considered; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we hereby express support for the securitization of tobacco settlement fund money to the general fund as part of the effort to balance the state budget, provided this step is part of a long-term solution to the structural deficit; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Office of the Governor and the State Treasurer.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Tobocman moved that Rule 71 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Rep. Meisner offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 124.

A resolution to express support for amending the Higher Education Loan Authority Act to extend to the Higher Education Loan Authority the power to grant and pay money to the Michigan Merit Award Trust Fund, provided this step is part of a long-term solution to the structural deficit.

Whereas, House Bill No. 4851 of 2007 would amend 1975 PA 222, the Higher Education Loan Authority Act, to provide that the authority shall have the power to grant and pay money to the Michigan Merit Award Trust Fund under section 9 of the Michigan Trust Fund Act, 2000 PA 489, for any scholarship or tuition incentive program funded under section 10 of the Michigan Trust Fund Act 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.260, whenever the authority determines that grant and payment are necessary or beneficial in order to effectuate and carry out the powers, duties, and function of the authority under the act; and

Whereas, House Bill No. 4851 of 2007 adds section 4b to 1975 PA 222 to provide that in addition to the powers enumerated in section 4 and section 4a the authority would have the power to transfer money to the Michigan Merit Award Trust Fund established under section 9 of the Michigan Trust Fund Act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.259, for any scholarship or tuition incentive program funded under section 10 of the Michigan Trust Fund Act, 2000 PA 489, MCL 12.260, at the times and in the amounts the chairperson of the authority determines are available for transfer. The authority shall make a transfer under this section for the state fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, in the amount the chairperson of the authority determines is available; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we express support for amending the Higher Education Loan Authority Act to extend to the Higher Education Loan Authority the power to grant and pay money to the Michigan Merit Award Trust Fund, provided this step is part of a long-term solution to the structural deficit; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House, the Senate Majority Leader, and the chairperson of Higher Education Loan Authority.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Tobocman moved that Rule 71 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Espinoza, Ebli, Leland, Kathleen Law, Scott, Polidori, Brown, Young, Warren, Gonzales, Simpson, Johnson and Jackson offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 125.

A resolution to express support for the governor's proposal to consolidate and centralize state internal auditing and internal control system functions.

Whereas, Michigan's ongoing budget crisis reflects fundamental shifts in our economy. While these shifts are indicative of challenges that are complex and include the impact of global forces, especially in the area of manufacturing that is central to Michigan, there is great need to reexamine how all branches of state government handle their respective responsibilities; and

Whereas, Just as the practices of the past are no longer as valid as they were in the business world, it would also be wise for all of state government to look at itself and assess the performance of functions and administrative organization with a new approach; and

Whereas, Because the executive power of this state is vested in the governor, the governor is in the best position to have knowledge of the structural problems and needs that exist in the executive branch, and the governor's recommendations for administrative adjustments should be given considerable weight; and

Whereas, The centralization of state internal auditing and internal control system functions as proposed by the governor will minimize the duplication of activities among state agencies, between state agencies and businesses, and effect a better organization and consolidation of functions among state agencies in a manner that is advantageous to this state; and

Whereas, The centralization of state internal auditing and internal control system functions for all state departments within a single state department, as proposed by the governor, will increase administrative efficiencies, improve the effectiveness of financial controls, and could yield notable results and increased savings for the state of Michigan; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we express our support for the governor's proposal to consolidate and centralize internal audit and internal control functions within a single department of state government and to secure support from Michigan's nonprofit community to support the implementation of this and other consolidation efforts; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Executive Office of the Governor and the Michigan Nonprofit Association.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Tobocman moved that Rule 71 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Rep. Tobocman demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted, a majority of the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 177

Yeas—106

Accavitti	Dillon	Lahti	Polidori
Acciavatti	Donigan	LaJoy	Proos
Agema	Ebli	Law, David	Robertson
Amos	Elsenheimer	Law, Kathleen	Rocca
Angerer	Emmons	LeBlanc	Sak
Ball	Espinoza	Leland	Schuitmaker
Bauer	Farrah	Lemmons	Scott
Bennett	Gaffney	Lindberg	Shaffer
Bieda	Gillard	Marleau	Sheen
Booher	Gonzales	Mayes	Sheltrown
Brandenburg	Green	McDowell	Simpson
Brown	Griffin	Meadows	Smith, Alma
Byrnes	Hammel	Meekhof	Smith, Virgil
Byrum	Hammon	Meisner	Spade
Calley	Hansen	Melton	Stahl
Casperson	Hildenbrand	Meltzer	Stakoe
Caswell	Hood	Miller	Steil

Caul	Hoogendyk	Moolenaar	Tobocman
Clack	Hopgood	Moore	Vagnozzi
Clemente	Horn	Nitz	Valentine
Condino	Huizenga	Nofs	Walker
Constan	Hune	Opsommer	Ward
Corriveau	Jackson	Palsrok	Warren
Coulouris	Johnson	Pastor	Wenke
Cushingberry	Jones, Rick	Pavlov	Wojno
Dean	Jones, Robert	Pearce	Young
DeRoche	Knollenberg		

Nays—0

In The Chair: Sak

Second Reading

Pending the Second Reading of
Senate Bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to amend 1973 PA 116, entitled “An act to provide for the protection of children through the licensing and regulation of child care organizations; to provide for the establishment of standards of care for child care organizations; to prescribe powers and duties of certain departments of this state and adoption facilitators; to provide penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 5 (MCL 722.115), as amended by 2006 PA 580, and by adding sections 5h, 5i, 5j, and 5k.

Rep. Tobocman moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Families and Children’s Services.
The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Tobocman moved to suspend that portion of Rule 41 requiring bills to be handed to the Clerk three hours prior to calling the House to order.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Tobocman moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Tuesday, May 29, at 1:30 p.m.
The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Friday, May 25:

House Bill Nos.	4821	4822	4823	4824	4825	4826	4827	4828	4829	4830	4831	4832	4833	4834
	4835	4836	4837	4838	4839	4840	4841	4842	4843	4844	4845	4846	4847	4848
	4849	4850	4851	4852										
Senate Bill Nos.	530	531	532	533	534	535	536	537	538	539	546	547	548	549
	550	551	553											

Notices

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Appropriations from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4116**.

Rep. Moolenaar

Introduction of Bills

Rep. Cushingberry introduced

House Bill No. 4853, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled "The public school employees retirement act of 1979," by amending section 43a (MCL 38.1343a), as amended by 2002 PA 94.

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

Rep. David Law moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 8:15 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 29, at 1:30 p.m.

RICHARD J. BROWN
Clerk of the House of Representatives