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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, March 6, 2008.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor John D. Cherry, Jr.

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

Allen—present
Anderson—present
Barcia—present
Basham—present
Birkholz—present
Bishop—present
Brater—present
Brown—present
Cassis—present
Cherry—present
Clark-Coleman—present
Clarke—present
Cropsey—present

Garcia—present
George—present
Gilbert—present
Gleason—present
Hardiman—present
Hunter—present
Jacobs—present
Jansen—present
Jelinek—present
Kahn—present
Kuipers—present
McManus—present
Olshove—present

Pappageorge—present
Patterson—present
Prusi—present
Richardville—present
Sanborn—present
Schauer—present
Scott—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Thomas—present
Van Woerkom—present
Whitmer—present

Pastor Andre L. Spivey of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church of Detroit offered the following invocation:

We thank You, Lord, for this day that You have made for us and all that we've been able to experience thus far. We ask Your blessing upon this session of the Michigan State Senate as they come forth to represent their constituents and take care of the business of our state.

Bless our entire state from Bad Axe to Ludington, from Cassopolis to Iron Mountain, and all in between. Bless all of the Senators who shall be here on today as they come to give account for their stewardship and the work in their districts and moving our state forward.

We ask Your blessing upon all those who dwell in this state, all those who visit here, and all that You have planned for us in the days, months, and years to come. We know without a doubt that You shall move us forward and take us where we need to be—on the map of this state and this country and this world to make Michigan the place—the stopping point, the center point of this country and this world. We thank You for all that has transpired on today, all those who are on their way, and all those who are here.

This is our prayer we pray. In the Lord's name, let's all say, "Amen."

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Motions and Communications

Senator Garcia entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Cropsey moved that Senators Brown, Allen and Van Woerkom be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senators Allen, Gleason, Van Woerkom and Brown entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Cropsey moved that the Committee on Government Operations and Reform be discharged from further consideration of the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 218, 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 9 (MCL 207.559), as amended by 2006 PA 436.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, and the bill was placed on the order of General Orders.

The following communication was received:
Office of the Great Lakes

March 3, 2008

This letter is being sent in compliance with Act 156 of the Public Acts of 1989. Section 10(1) of the PA 156 requires that a list of grants be submitted annually to the legislature.

The Office of the Great Lakes did not release a request for new proposals from the Michigan Great Lakes Protection Fund in 2007 due to funding constraints.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Emily Finnell of my staff at 517-241-7927, or you may contact me.

Sincerely,
Ken DeBeaussaert, Director
517-335-4056

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, March 5:
House Bill Nos. 5560 5561 5562 5700

The Secretary announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Wednesday, March 5, for her approval the following bills:

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 1061 at 3:34 p.m.

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 1062 at 3:36 p.m.

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 654 at 3:38 p.m.
Enrolled Senate Bill No. 966 at 3:40 p.m.
Enrolled Senate Bill No. 206 at 3:42 p.m.

The Secretary announced that the following official bills and joint resolution were printed on Wednesday, March 5, and are available at the legislative website:

Senate Bill Nos. 1161 1162 1163 1164 1165 1166 1167 1187 1188 1189 1190
House Bill Nos. 5857 5858 5859 5860
House Joint Resolution RR

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Messages from the Governor

Senator Cropsey moved that consideration of the following bills be postponed for today:

Senate Bill No. 436
Senate Bill No. 222
Senate Bill No. 229
Senate Bill No. 232
Senate Bill No. 238
Senate Bill No. 240

The motion prevailed.

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

March 5, 2008

I respectfully submit to the Senate, pursuant to Section 6 of Article 5 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the following reappointment to office under Section 5 of the Shared Credit Rating Act, 1985 PA 227, MCL 141.1055:

Michigan Municipal Bond Authority Board of Trustees

Mr. Richard A. Huebler of 15827 Englewood Avenue, Allen Park, Michigan 48101, county of Wayne, reappointed to represent residents of the state, for a term expiring January 1, 2011.

Sincerely,
 Jennifer M. Granholm
 Governor

The appointment was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Reform.

Messages from the House

Senator Cropsey moved that consideration of the following bills be postponed for today:

Senate Bill No. 53
House Bill No. 4120
Senate Bill No. 511
House Bill No. 4507
Senate Bill No. 388
Senate Bill No. 868

The motion prevailed.

Senator Cropsey moved that rule 3.202 be suspended to permit immediate consideration of the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 712
Senate Bill No. 713
Senate Bill No. 714

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

Senate Bill No. 712, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 307 and 310 (MCL 257.307 and 257.310), section 307 as amended by 2006 PA 298 and section 310 as amended by 2005 PA 141.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-1) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-1), ordered that it be given immediate effect and amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to impose liability upon the state or local agencies; to provide appropriations for certain purposes; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date,” by amending sections 307 and 310 (MCL 257.307 and 257.310), as amended by 2008 PA 7.

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,
Senator Clarke moved that his name be removed as prime sponsor of the bill.

The question being on the motion,

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

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 713, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 13n of chapter XVII (MCL 777.13n), as amended by 2004 PA 215.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-1) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-1), ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

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. 101

Yeas—37

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Prusi
Anderson	Clarke	Jansen	Richardville
Barcia	Cropsey	Jelinek	Sanborn
Basham	Garcia	Kahn	Schauer
Birkholz	George	Kuipers	Scott
Bishop	Gilbert	McManus	Stamas
Brater	Gleason	Olshove	Switalski
Brown	Hardiman	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Patterson	Whitmer
Cherry			

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—1

Thomas

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,
 The recommendation was not concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor.
 Senator Cropsey requested the yeas and nays.
 The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.
 The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 102**Yeas—34**

Allen	Cherry	Jacobs	Patterson
Anderson	Clarke	Jansen	Prusi
Barcia	Cropsey	Jelinek	Richardville
Basham	Garcia	Kahn	Sanborn
Birkholz	George	Kuipers	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	McManus	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Olshove	Van Woerkom
Brown	Hardiman	Pappageorge	Whitmer
Cassis	Hunter		

Nays—1

Thomas

Excused—0**Not Voting—3**

Clark-Coleman	Schauer	Scott
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In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the full title.
 The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 714, entitled

A bill to amend 1953 PA 181, entitled “An act relative to investigations in certain instances of the causes of death within this state due to violence, negligence or other act or omission of a criminal nature or to protect public health; to provide for the taking of statements from injured persons under certain circumstances; to abolish the office of coroner and to create the office of county medical examiner in certain counties; to prescribe the powers and duties of county medical examiners; to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and to prescribe a referendum thereon,” by amending section 9 (MCL 52.209), as added by 2005 PA 176.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-1) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-1) and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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. 103**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn

Barcia
 Basham
 Birkholz
 Bishop
 Brater
 Brown
 Cassis
 Cherry

Cropsey
 Garcia
 George
 Gilbert
 Gleason
 Hardiman
 Hunter
 Jacobs

Kahn
 Kuipers
 McManus
 Olshove
 Pappageorge
 Patterson
 Prusi

Schauer
 Scott
 Stamas
 Switalski
 Thomas
 Van Woerkom
 Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—0

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.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

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

Senate Bill No. 948
Senate Bill No. 950
Senate Bill No. 951
Senate Bill No. 1133
House Bill No. 5443
House Bill No. 5446
House Bill No. 4940
House Bill No. 4941
House Bill No. 4945
Senate Bill No. 82

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 948, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled "State housing development authority act of 1966," by amending section 44 (MCL 125.1444), as amended by 2004 PA 549.

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. 104

Yeas—38

Allen
 Anderson
 Barcia
 Basham
 Birkholz

Clark-Coleman
 Clarke
 Cropsey
 Garcia
 George

Jansen
 Jelinek
 Kahn
 Kuipers
 McManus

Richardville
 Sanborn
 Schauer
 Scott
 Stamas

Bishop
Brater
Brown
Cassis
Cherry

Gilbert
Gleason
Hardiman
Hunter
Jacobs

Olshove
Pappageorge
Patterson
Prusi

Switalski
Thomas
Van Woerkom
Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville's statement is as follows:

Colleagues, today I'm going to be talking about Senate Bill Nos. 948, 950, 951, and 1133, as well as House Bill Nos. 5443 and 5446. We talked about these yesterday, so I'm going to be rather succinct. These bills enable MSHDA to create the ARM Refinance Program and the MSDHA Rescue Refinance Program. All of us in this chamber have constituents who are facing difficult times with the state's economy, and some of them are struggling even to make their mortgage payments. This legislation will serve as an economic stimulus by helping homeowners and future homebuyers secure home loans with lower interest rates. These bills are bipartisan, bicameral, an effort to make more residents take advantage, would help more residents take advantage of the housing programs offered by the state, and also will help boost the state's economy.

As I said yesterday, we worked with the Governor's office; we worked with House Democrats, House Republicans, Senate Democrats, and Senate Republicans in order to get this done. I would like to take a moment to thank Minority Vice Chair Tupac Hunter for his work on this package of bills as well.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 950, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled "State housing development authority act of 1966," (MCL 125.1401 to 125.1499c) by adding section 24f.

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. 105

Yeas—38

Allen
Anderson
Barcia
Basham
Birkholz
Bishop
Brater
Brown
Cassis
Cherry

Clark-Coleman
Clarke
Cropsey
Garcia
George
Gilbert
Gleason
Hardiman
Hunter
Jacobs

Jansen
Jelinek
Kahn
Kuipers
McManus
Olshove
Pappageorge
Patterson
Prusi

Richardville
Sanborn
Schauer
Scott
Stamas
Switalski
Thomas
Van Woerkom
Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 951, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending section 1 (MCL 125.1401), as amended by 1998 PA 33.

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. 106

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 1133, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending section 44 (MCL 125.1444), as amended by 2004 PA 549.

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. 107**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0**Excused—0****Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 5443, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled "State housing development authority act of 1966," by amending section 32a (MCL 125.1432a), as amended by 2004 PA 535.

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. 108**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0**Excused—0**

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 state housing development authority; to define the powers and duties of the authority; to establish a housing development revolving fund; to establish a land acquisition and development fund; to establish a rehabilitation fund; to establish a conversion condominium fund; to create certain other funds and provide for the expenditure of certain funds; to authorize the making and purchase of loans, deferred payment loans, and grants to qualified developers, sponsors, individuals, mortgage lenders, and municipalities; to establish and provide acceleration and foreclosure procedures; to provide tax exemption; to authorize payments instead of taxes by nonprofit housing corporations, consumer housing cooperatives, limited dividend housing corporations, mobile home park corporations, and mobile home park associations; and to prescribe criminal penalties for violations of this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 5446, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending section 32 (MCL 125.1432), as amended by 2004 PA 535.

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. 109**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0**Excused—0****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 state housing development authority; to define the powers and duties of the authority; to establish a housing development revolving fund; to establish a land acquisition and development fund; to establish a rehabilitation

fund; to establish a conversion condominium fund; to create certain other funds and provide for the expenditure of certain funds; to authorize the making and purchase of loans, deferred payment loans, and grants to qualified developers, sponsors, individuals, mortgage lenders, and municipalities; to establish and provide acceleration and foreclosure procedures; to provide tax exemption; to authorize payments instead of taxes by nonprofit housing corporations, consumer housing cooperatives, limited dividend housing corporations, mobile home park corporations, and mobile home park associations; and to prescribe criminal penalties for violations of this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4940, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending the heading of part 101 and sections 10101, 10102, 10103, 10104, 10105, 10106, 10107, 10108, 10109, 10204, and 20165 (MCL 333.10101, 333.10102, 333.10103, 333.10104, 333.10105, 333.10106, 333.10107, 333.10108, 333.10109, 333.10204, and 333.20165), section 10102 as amended by 2003 PA 62, section 10104 as amended by 2005 PA 140, section 10108 as amended by 2006 PA 301, section 10204 as amended by 1999 PA 60, and section 20165 as amended by 1998 PA 108, and by adding sections 10110, 10111, 10112, 10113, 10114, 10115, 10116, 10117, 10118, 10119, 10120, 10121, 10122, and 10123; 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. 110

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0

Excused—0

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. 4941, 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 2005 PA 143.

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. 111

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0

Excused—0

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. 4945, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 386, entitled “Estates and protected individuals code,” by amending sections 3206, 5506, 5507, 5508, and 5510 (MCL 700.3206, 700.5506, 700.5507, 700.5508, and 700.5510), section 3206 as added by 2006 PA 299 and sections 5506, 5507, 5508, and 5510 as amended by 2004 PA 532.

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. 112**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Gleason	Pappageorge	Thomas
Brown	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hunter	Prusi	Whitmer
Cherry	Jacobs		

Nays—0**Excused—0****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 codify, revise, consolidate, and classify aspects of the law relating to wills and intestacy, relating to the administration and distribution of estates of certain individuals, relating to trusts, and relating to the affairs of certain individuals under legal incapacity; to provide for the powers and procedures of the court that has jurisdiction over these matters; to provide for the validity and effect of certain transfers, contracts, and deposits that relate to death; to provide procedures to facilitate enforcement of certain trusts; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending section 710e (MCL 257.710e), as amended by 1999 PA 29.

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

1. Amend page 5, line 9, after “effect” by striking out “January” and inserting “July”.

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. 113**Yeas—38**

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Richardville
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Kahn	Schauer
Basham	Garcia	Kuipers	Scott
Birkholz	George	McManus	Stamas

Bishop
Brater
Brown
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Cherry

Gilbert
Gleason
Hardiman
Hunter
Jacobs

Olshove
Pappageorge
Patterson
Prusi

Switalski
Thomas
Van Woerkom
Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Senators Anderson, Barcia, Basham, Cassis, Clarke, Gleason, Hunter, Jansen, Kahn, Olshove, Pappageorge, Prusi, Schauer, Scott, Van Woerkom and Whitmer were named co-sponsors of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Messages from the House

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

Senate Bill No. 712, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 307 and 310 (MCL 257.307 and 257.310), section 307 as amended by 2006 PA 298 and section 310 as amended by 2005 PA 141.

(This bill was returned from the House with a substitute earlier today, rule 3.202 suspended, and the motion to remove the bill sponsor's name postponed. See p. 375.)

The question being on the motion to remove Senator Clarke as the prime sponsor of the bill, Senator Clarke withdrew the motion.

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. 114

Yeas—38

Allen
Anderson
Barcia
Basham
Birkholz
Bishop
Brater
Brown
Cassis
Cherry

Clark-Coleman
Clarke
Cropsey
Garcia
George
Gilbert
Gleason
Hardiman
Hunter
Jacobs

Jansen
Jelinek
Kahn
Kuipers
McManus
Olshove
Pappageorge
Patterson
Prusi

Richardville
Sanborn
Schauer
Scott
Stamas
Switalski
Thomas
Van Woerkom
Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—0

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 as amended.

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

Senators Allen, Anderson, Bishop, Brater, Brown, Cassis, Cropsey, Garcia, George, Gilbert, Hardiman, Jansen, Jelinek, Kuipers, Patterson, Stamas, Van Woerkom and Whitmer were named co-sponsors of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

General Orders

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

The motion prevailed, and the President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, designated Senator Allen as Chairperson.

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

Senate Bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 14j.
Substitute (S-1).

The following are the amendments to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole:

1. Amend page 1, line 2, after "**OF**" by striking out "**\$150.00**" and inserting "**\$100.00**".
2. Amend page 1, line 6, after "**THAN**" by striking out "**\$150.00**" and inserting "**\$100.00**".

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:

Senate Bill No. 749, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 3185 and 3285.

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. 4763, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 5453 (MCL 333.5453), as amended by 2002 PA 644.

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 proceeded to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Prusi and Patterson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1191, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 14h of chapter XVII (MCL 777.14h), as amended by 2006 PA 594.

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

Senators Barcia, Jansen, Hardiman, Kuipers, McManus, Richardville, Gilbert, Allen, Prusi, Switalski, Thomas and Anderson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1192, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," by amending section 113 (MCL 208.1113), as amended by 2007 PA 145.

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

Senators Richardville, Whitmer, Cherry, Birkholz, Jelinek, Kahn, Hardiman and Pappageorge introduced

Senate Bill No. 1193, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 356a (MCL 750.356a), as amended by 1998 PA 311.

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

House Bill No. 5560, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 81e.

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. 5561, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 16d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16d), as amended by 2005 PA 336.

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. 5562, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 81e.

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. 5700, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 7212, 7403, and 7404 (MCL 333.7212, 333.7403, and 333.7404), as amended by 2002 PA 710.

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 Health Policy.

Statements

Senators George, Gleason, Switalski, Clarke and Scott asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator George's statement is as follows:

I rise to comment on the Board of State Canvassers' recent certification of the initiative to legalize smokeable marijuana for medical use. I oppose this measure because I find that it is unnecessary. The proponents, the Michigan Coalition for Compassionate Care, have misused medical studies in arguing that their measure is needed to treat symptoms in certain medical conditions.

Prior to joining you here in the Legislature, I worked for five years as a medical director for a hospice program in my district. I was board-certified in the specialty of hospice and palliative care. In this capacity, I made house calls and routinely treated the symptoms of dying patients. Occasionally, I prescribed medical marijuana. I was able to do this because it has been legal to prescribe marijuana in pill form in the United States since 1986. This oral form of marijuana is known as Marinol, and it has a very narrow use profile. It is used mostly as a third- or fourth-line therapy to treat persistent nausea or as an appetite stimulant. Its use is limited primarily because much more effective medications are available to treat pain, nausea, agitation, and loss of appetite.

Marinol is, however, better than smokeable marijuana because it does not contain the additional chemicals, impurities, or hazards associated with smoke. Also the resulting blood levels from Marinol and hence the effects are more predictable with Marinol than with smokeable marijuana.

Now the proponents might argue that smokeable marijuana has a special use in the treatment of nausea because patients who are nauseated have difficulty swallowing pills, but recent technology has now given us topical antinausea medicines that are absorbed through the skin. There are at least four of these preparations, and they are all more effective than smokeable marijuana. In addition, other delivery systems such as an oral spray and a metered inhaler device are being developed. Last year, the oral spray received FDA approval to begin clinical trials in the United States. So I'm telling you as a former hospice physician that it is of no benefit to legalize smokeable marijuana because more effective treatments are already available.

Additionally, if one reads the language of the petition initiative, you will see a reference to a 1999 National Academy of Sciences report given as evidence of the benefits of marijuana use. Also the spokesperson for the coalition in favor of the petition initiative cites a report by the American College of Physicians as supportive of legalizing medical marijuana.

I would advise you, colleagues, to read both of these reports. They are available online. Neither of them calls for legalization of medical marijuana. Both, in fact, call instead for more study of the effects of marijuana. The Institute of Medicine report, for example, says, "Purified cannabinoid compounds are preferable to plant products, which are of variable and uncertain composition." Whereas, "smokable marijuana is a crude delivery system that also delivers harmful substances." Likewise, the American College of Physicians' position paper supports further research and states it "encourages the use of non-smoked forms of marijuana that have proven therapeutic value."

Both documents then, cited by the proponents, actually then support the position that the ballot initiative is unnecessary because marijuana's therapeutic use is limited; and in the instances where it is beneficial, a non-smoked form, which is already available, should be prescribed.

Senator Gleason's statement is as follows:

A few months ago, I rose on the Senate floor here and I spoke about the Hippocratic and lawyer's oaths here in Michigan. At that time, I quoted remarks from the Hippocratic Oath that is used all across this state and across the country. These words read, "I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug."

In regard to the lawyer's oath that is utilized across this state, it states, "I will not counsel or maintain any suit or proceeding which shall appear to me to be unjust, nor any defense except such as I believe to be honestly debatable under the law of the land."

Mr. President, I rise today to speak on a recent ruling by the United States Supreme Court and quiet the uninformed fanfare regarding its effect on Michigan's drug immunity law. I recently read that Senate Republicans feel that this is a political issue. That was stated in *MIRS*. And they say that they are more concerned with helping our economy and creating more jobs than protecting lives. But despite their ad nauseum assertions that Michigan's drug immunity law keeps and creates pharmaceutical jobs in this state, it's simply untrue. In fact, the opposite is occurring. As Michigan has been losing drug manufacturing jobs, Pfizer just recently announced that they plan on outsourcing even more of their manufacturing jobs to China. They want to boost their market share in Asia up to six percent and will expand operations in China from the 110 cities it now serves to more than 650 cities. Yet my colleagues continue to protect big drug companies and you're continuously diminishing economic investment here in lieu of the rights and well-being of our citizens.

Monday's gridlock vote by the Supreme Court is not a victory for victims of harmful drugs, and it is certainly not a boon for our economy. The tie vote, which the Supreme Court understood the need to hastily hand over a decision by the expedited action that they took to hear this case, that tie vote will not permit a lawsuit to move forward against the Warner-Lambert Company, the maker of a diabetic drug Rezulin, by 27 plaintiffs from Michigan who suffered liver damage while taking it.

These lawsuits can take place in Michigan, our state that we represent. A tie vote in the Supreme Court automatically affirms the lower court's judgment, which, in this case, will allow the case to be heard and the claims of fraud against the Federal Drug Administration to be fully investigated. And, needless to say, establishing fraud against the FDA and successfully recouping damages is minutely more fruitful than my colleague Senator Martha Scott's efforts to get a hearing on her insurance bills from this very body or mine to get legislation to ban drug immunity before a committee. This decision sets a ridiculously high bar, almost unattainable, for legal recourse regarding faulty drugs.

Far too many people are pointing to the Supreme Court's lack of a strong stance and default fallback on the lower ruling as a major coup for advocates of ending Michigan's drug immunity law. But this wasn't a benchmark decision; it was a mark of indecision from the bench. This was an act of cowardice and complacency that, in essence, accomplished nothing. Our argument doesn't need to change because our state's circumstances haven't changed.

What should I tell Leslie Richter or the thousands of other Michigan residents who have lost a loved one or themselves been harmed by a drug that gained legitimate approval by the FDA? It is estimated that the drug Vioxx caused 27,785 fatal heart attacks over five years, and in November, Merck announced that it would be offering a \$4.85 billion lawsuit settlement involving 47,000 victims of the painkiller. That settlement came prior to any allegation or investigation into whether the company committed fraud against the FDA, which means all Michigan residents harmed by that drug are still without justice.

Senator Switalski's statement is as follows:

Results are in from the first semester for ninth grade students who fall under the new high school curriculum standards. As you will recall, we raised our school standards to the highest in the nation, and they include the requirement that students pass Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry.

Report cards are in and my ISD tells me that about 40 percent of students failed Algebra I. That is higher than previous years, which averaged around 30 percent. But more students are taking Algebra now, including many students who failed grade school math and would not have taken Algebra before. So the higher failure rate was predictable and should not surprise us. The question we need to answer is what are we going to do about it? Schools have suggested a variety of solutions, including tutoring, summer school credit recovery programs, and reinstating 180 days versus hours to bolster classroom face time. These are important suggestions and deserve a full review.

But on the occasion of National Consumers Protection Week, with an emphasis on financial literacy, a sound investment, I want to highlight another approach which might help with the math failure rate. The FTC, the FCC, the FDIC, the NCL, the Better Business Bureau—the BBB, the CFA, the NAAG, and the banks, the National Credit Union League, Junior Achievement, and other institutions support or have produced financial literacy curricula appropriate for high school students.

This week we celebrate their efforts to educate the people of Michigan on the basics of prudent financial management. Here's the connection: During this time of high foreclosures and bankruptcies, it is clear that people would benefit from education and financial literacy. Some wags might even suggest, Mr. President, that many members of the Legislature itself would benefit from such training. While that might be useful, I think students would especially benefit from a course in financial literacy. Students take on debt in school loans and also can run up significant credit card debt. They would benefit from learning to analyze options to rent or buy a house or to lease or buy a car. They should know what ARMs and interest rates are. They should know whether to take their lottery winnings upfront or whether to take them spread out over 20 years. Not only are these math questions important, but they are interesting and fun. That is the point. For a failing math student, a class in financial literacy would re-engage them and motivate them to take, study, and pass a math class.

Mr. President, I don't know if I mentioned it, but I have sponsored Senate Bill No. 834 which would allow a course in financial literacy to count towards fulfillment of the math requirements in the curriculum standards. Mr. President, I can think of no better way of honoring "Financial Literacy: A Sound Investment Week" than by passing Senate Bill No. 834.

Senator Clarke's statement is as follows:

I appreciate this body's support of the bill that I sponsored regarding anatomical gifts, Senate Bill No. 712, and I also appreciate being recognized for my work as a legislator. I would like the citizens of this state to know, however, that my involvement in this package of bills dealing with anatomical gifts is a result of the advocacy of the one Senator in this body who understands the lifesaving value of anatomical gifts from personal experience because his own life was saved by a kidney donation from his sister.

I would request that my statement, especially the following one, be printed in the Journal of the Senate so that all the citizens of this state will recognize the fact that when I asked to withdraw my name as sponsor of this bill, Senate Bill No. 712, I did so to honor and recognize the legislative leadership, but most importantly, the personal courage of the Senator for the 27th District, Senator John Gleason.

Senator Scott's statement is as follows:

You know, on your desks there is an e-mail from a colleague, but I want this read into the record because, I mean, everybody needs to know what's really going on, and she wanted me to read it and give her name, Sandra Dzedziula. She says, "Senator Scott: Thank you for your work on trying to get affordable car insurance for your constituents. I've decided to not drive for awhile and just take the bus to work because having a car is such a hassle. You have to think about it all the time. You turn around and another insurance bill comes in for a few hundred for a month. It is so stressful. One insurance vendor told me \$700 and I thought they meant for six months and they were talking about one month for a Kia Sephia—a little car like that.

It just kills me that we live in our area and maybe drive to the suburbs to work but pay outrageous insurance rates. They live in the suburbs and their cars are in Detroit all day. What sense does that make? An acquaintance lives in Chesaning. She said her insurance is \$66 for six months. Is that possible? And mine was like \$1,500. She's barely 30 and I'm almost 60. I've never gotten a break; it's gone up, up, up. So thanks again. Take care of yourself."

I want to thank the Governor today that she is going to hire Attorney Butch Hollowell as an advocate that she spoke of in her State of the State address. Hopefully, we will have some help, but it's up to us in this chamber to make a difference.

Maria W. Stewart was a 19th century African-American abolitionist, public speaker, writer, and feminist pioneer. She was an orphan, uneducated, and spent her early years as a servant. When she was 23, she met and married James Stewart. It appeared things were looking up. Sadly, he died after only three years of marriage. The inheritance left by her husband was taken away by white businessmen, and Stewart started to give speeches in order to support herself.

Stewart was the first black woman to lecture about women's rights—particularly the rights of black women, religion, and social justice among black people. And along with her public speaking career, she was highly regarded for her published works, efforts that continued until her death in 1879. The year that she died, Maria Stewart observed, "Talk without

effort is nothing.” As a black woman, she knew that it took more than words on a page or speeches in a chamber to make change happen. It took action.

I have taken action upon action for years and years to bring my bills to the forefront. Now it’s your turn to act. You all know what comes next. I am most respectfully urging you to move my bills, move my bills.

Committee Reports

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

Senate Resolution No. 154.

A resolution to urge the Great Lakes states to resist changes to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact and to adopt the compact as presented in December 2005.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 21, p. 327.)

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

Gerald Van Woerkom
Acting Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Prusi

Nays: None

The resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 27.

A concurrent resolution to urge the Great Lakes states to resist changes to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact and to adopt the compact as presented in December 2005.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 21, p. 326.)

With the recommendation that the concurrent resolution be adopted.

Gerald Van Woerkom
Acting Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Prusi

Nays: None

The concurrent resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

Senate Bill No. 723, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending sections 32710 and 32713 (MCL 324.32710 and 324.32713), section 32710 as added by 1995 PA 59 and section 32713 as amended by 2006 PA 33.

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.

Gerald Van Woerkom
Acting Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Prusi

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 Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Prusi

Excused: Senator Birkholz (C)

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Environmental Quality submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at 12:30 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building
Present: Senators Garcia (C), Cropsey and Brater

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Judiciary and Corrections submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building
Present: Senator Cropsey (C), Kahn and Brater

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Health Policy submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 5, 2008, at 3:05 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower
Present: Senators George (C), Patterson, Sanborn, Allen, Clarke, Gleason and Jacobs

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Agriculture submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 6, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Van Woerkom (C), Birkholz, Gleason and Whitmer
Excused: Senator Gilbert

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Joint Subcommittee on Capital Outlay submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 6, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building
Present: Senators McManus (C), Jelinek, Brown, Cropsey, Hardiman, Pappageorge, Switalski, Cherry, Clark-Coleman and Scott

Scheduled Meetings

Agriculture and Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee - Tuesday, March 11, 11:00 a.m. or later immediately following session, Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-1635)

Appropriations -

Subcommittees -

Agriculture and Senate Agriculture - Tuesday, March 11, 11:00 a.m. or later immediately following session, Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-5932)

Capital Outlay - Wednesday, March 12, 2:30 p.m. or later immediately following House session, House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-8080)

Community Colleges - Wednesday, March 12, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Community Health Department - Thursday, March 13, 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

Environmental Quality Department - Wednesday, March 12, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Higher Education - Wednesday, March 12, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Judiciary and Corrections - Wednesday, March 12, 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

K-12, School Aid, Education - Tuesday, March 11, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Natural Resources Department - Tuesday, March 11, 12:00 noon or later immediately following session, Room 405, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Retirement - Tuesday, March 11, 12:00 noon, Room 810, Farnum Building (373-2768)

Health Policy - Wednesday, March 12, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-0793)

Legislative Commission on Government Efficiency - Friday, March 21, 8:30 a.m., Room 426, Capitol Building (373-0212)

Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates - Wednesday, March 26, 2:00 p.m., Oakland County Executive Office Building, Building 41-West, Conference Center/West Oakland Room, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford (373-0212)

Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs - Wednesday, March 12, 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-3447)

State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee - Tuesday, March 25, 9:30 a.m., Legislative Council Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Boji Tower (373-0212)

Senator Cropsey moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:34 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Richardville, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate

