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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, February 25, 2004.

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

Emerson—excused
Garcia—present
George—present
Gilbert—present
Goschka—present
Hammerstrom—present
Hardiman—present
Jacobs—present
Jelinek—present
Johnson—present
Kuipers—present
Leland—excused
McManus—present

Olshove—present
Patterson—present
Prusi—present
Sanborn—present
Schauer—present
Scott—excused
Sikkema—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Thomas—present
Toy—present
Van Woerkom—present

Senator Jim Barcia of the 31st District offered the following invocation:

As we gather today to begin our work in this stately and esteemed Senate Chamber, let us remain unified in our bestowed obligation to deliberate in good faith, and let us continue to be ever mindful of the common good of every citizen of this great state.

Indeed, each of us has been entrusted with the noble task of faithfully and dependably representing the people of our respective districts. But it is the common good of all citizens that is important in the decisionmaking and directives that come forth from this august body.

Isaiah 6:8: "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said. 'Send me!'" This passage in Isaiah speaks of a call to a special mission. The mission of Isaiah was to restore the people of God to full citizenship in the Kingdom.

Like Isaiah, each of us has been called upon to a special mission. Let us not take this mission lightly. May each one of us stand proudly in our call to duty as we work together in good faith for the benefit of all. Let us work together for the common good of every Michigan citizen. Amen.

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

Motions and Communications

Senator Goschka entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Schauer moved that Senators Emerson and Scott be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Senator Hammerstrom moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow the guests of Senator Hardiman admittance to the Senate floor, including the center aisle.

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

Senator Hammerstrom moved that rule 3.901 be suspended to allow photographs to be taken from the Senate floor, including the center aisle and Gallery.

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

Recess

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:11 a.m.

10:22 a.m.

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

During the recess, Senator Hardiman introduced the Gerald R. Ford Council of Boy Scouts of America from Grand Rapids and Council President Keith Burns, in commemoration of Boy Scouts of America Month. Scout Joey VanderZee and Mr. Burns responded briefly.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Tuesday, February 24:
House Bill Nos. 4476 4929 5241 5466

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

Senator Hammerstrom moved that consideration of the following bills be postponed for today:
Senate Bill No. 506
Senate Bill No. 557
Senate Bill No. 806

Senate Bill No. 502
Senate Bill No. 57
Senate Bill No. 497
Senate Bill No. 498
Senate Bill No. 499
Senate Bill No. 500
Senate Bill No. 715
Senate Bill No. 842
 The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 681, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," (MCL 760.1 to 777.69) by adding section 11a to chapter VI.

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.

Pursuant to rule 3.202, the bill was laid over one day.

Senate Bill No. 824, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 24, entitled "Michigan economic growth authority act," by amending sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 (MCL 207.803, 207.804, 207.805, 207.806, 207.808, and 207.810), section 3 as amended by 2000 PA 428 and sections 6 and 8 as amended by 2000 PA 144, and by adding section 8a.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-5) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-5), ordered that it be given immediate effect and amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1995 PA 24, entitled "An act to promote economic growth and job creation within this state; to create and regulate the Michigan economic growth authority; to prescribe the powers and duties of the authority and of state and local officials; to assess and collect a fee; to approve certain plans and the use of certain funds; and to provide qualifications for and determine eligibility for tax credits and other incentives for authorized businesses and for qualified taxpayers," by amending sections 3 and 8 (MCL 207.803 and 207.808), as amended by 2003 PA 248.

Pursuant to rule 3.202, the bill was laid over one day.

Senate Bill No. 843, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 12e of chapter XVII (MCL 777.12e), as added by 2002 PA 34.

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.

Pursuant to rule 3.202, the bill was laid over one day.

Third Reading of Bills

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 788, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 518 (MCL 600.518), as amended by 2001 PA 256.

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. 73

Yeas—31

Allen	Cherry	Jacobs	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Jelinek	Schauer
Bernero	Garcia	Johnson	Sikkema
Birkholz	George	Kuipers	Stamas

Bishop	Gilbert	McManus	Switalski
Brater	Goschka	Olshove	Toy
Brown	Hammerstrom	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hardiman	Prusi	

Nays—4

Basham	Clark-Coleman	Clarke	Thomas
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Excused—3

Emerson	Leland	Scott
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Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Protest

Senator Thomas, under his constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of Senate Bill No. 788 and moved that the statements he made during the discussion of the bill be printed as his reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Thomas’ first statement is as follows:

I want to thank the Senator from the 29th District for bringing this legislation before us. It’s appropriate for him to do so. He’s standing up for the community that he represents, and that is what we are all sent here to do.

With that being said, I must rise in opposition to Senate Bill No. 788. As a representative of Wayne County, we have a problem in our court system. We have a circuit court that is scheduled to lose judges. We have a probate court that is scheduled to lose judges, and yet, our caseload does not decrease. In fact, we here in Wayne County have more than 100,000 case filings a year. It is the eighth largest court docket in the United States and still it is scheduled to lose judges. This approach that is being implemented by the Legislature is piecemeal and does not address the total needs of all of the courts in Michigan. I believe that it is shortsighted and not in the best interest of deliberative and speedy justice to implement this piecemeal approach. The citizens of Wayne County, I’d argue the citizens of Michigan, are not being best served by this.

House Bill No. 5271 would rightfully retain two judges in Wayne County, yet it remains languishing in the House, not subject to consideration. If, in fact, we could move that legislation and address our concerns in Wayne County, I’d be more than happy to stand up and help the good citizens of Kent County as they address their needs and concerns related to the judiciary.

So, again, because this is a piecemeal approach and does not address the concerns of all of Michigan’s counties that are seeing the same issues as addressed by Kent County, I rise in opposition to Senate Bill No. 788.

Senator Thomas’ second statement is as follows:

I wanted to respond to issues raised by the distinguished chairman. First and foremost, Wayne County Circuit Court does not have 137 or 139 judges; it’s 63 scheduled to go down to 61, just to clarify that number. Further, to address the issue of the State Court Administrative Office, Wayne County has responded in writing, and if I may read a segment of their response:

“The weighted caseload model used by the State Court Administrative Office to predict the need for judicial resources assumes greater economies of scale for large caseloads. In other words, cases can be disposed of faster or

with fewer judicial resources as the volume of cases increases. While this may sound theoretically plausible, in reality it is not true. Cases under the jurisdiction of the circuit court must be individually adjudicated, and the amount of time required is not reduced based upon volume. For example, the time required conducting a criminal trial or a medical malpractice settlement conference remains the same, irrespective of the number of criminal or medical malpractice cases on the court’s docket. Removing the economies of the scale factor from the SCAO model would significantly change the judicial resource requirement calculations for the Third Circuit Court; actually, it would result in a recommendation for additional judgeships.”

Colleagues, I think it’s clear. In issues relative to the court, I think we should err on the side of the judges in this court. The judges have spoken very clear this is not in their best interest. Again, it’s nothing against Kent County; we are simply trying to create a comprehensive approach that addresses the needs of all 83 counties, not just one.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 5199, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending sections 9 and 9a of chapter X (MCL 770.9 and 770.9a), section 9a as amended by 2002 PA 483, and by adding section 9b to chapter X.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Cropsey offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 3, following line 24, by inserting:

“Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect June 30, 2004.”.

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. 74

Yeas—35

Allen	Cherry	Hardiman	Sanborn
Barcia	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Schauer
Basham	Clarke	Jelinek	Sikkema
Bernero	Cropsey	Johnson	Stamas
Birkholz	Garcia	Kuipers	Switalski
Bishop	George	McManus	Thomas
Brater	Gilbert	Olshove	Toy
Brown	Goschka	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Prusi	

Nays—0

Excused—3

Emerson	Leland	Scott
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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 revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to criminal procedure and to define the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of courts, judges, and other officers of the court under the provisions of this act; to provide laws relative to the rights of persons accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the arrest of persons charged with or suspected of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for bail of persons arrested

for or accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the examination of persons accused of criminal offenses; to regulate the procedure relative to grand juries, indictments, informations, and proceedings before trial; to provide for trials of persons complained of or indicted for criminal offenses and ordinance violations and to provide for the procedure in those trials; to provide for judgments and sentences of persons convicted of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to establish a sentencing commission and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for procedure relating to new trials and appeals in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to provide a uniform system of probation throughout this state and the appointment of probation officers; to prescribe the powers, duties, and compensation of probation officers; to provide penalties for the violation of the duties of probation officers; to provide for procedure governing proceedings to prevent crime and proceedings for the discovery of crime; to provide for fees of officers, witnesses, and others in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to set forth miscellaneous provisions as to criminal procedure in certain cases; to provide penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

General Orders

Senator Hammerstrom 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 Garcia as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and, the President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 581, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” (MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 438.

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:

Senate Bill No. 582, entitled

A bill to establish the Amanda’s fund for breast cancer research in the department of community health; to provide for the distribution of money from the fund; to prescribe the duties and powers of certain agencies and officials; and to provide for appropriations.

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 Basham, Birkholz, Barcia, Bernero, Bishop and Goschka introduced

Senate Bill No. 1010, entitled

A bill to amend 1965 PA 190, entitled “An act to provide for a system of uniformity of service for veterans,” by amending section 1 (MCL 35.61), as amended by 1997 PA 131.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senators Basham, Birkholz, Barcia, Bernero, Bishop and Goschka introduced

Senate Bill No. 1011, entitled

A bill to amend 1946 (1st Ex Sess) PA 9, entitled “An act to create the Michigan veterans’ trust fund, and to define who shall be eligible to receive assistance therefrom; to provide for the disbursement of the income thereof and surplus therein; to create a board of trustees, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for county and district committees, and their powers, duties, and expenses; to prescribe penalties; and to make appropriations to carry out the provisions of this act,” by amending section 2 (MCL 35.602).

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senator Thomas introduced

Senate Bill No. 1012, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending section 39e (MCL 208.39e), as amended by 2002 PA 622.

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

Senators Schauer and Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1013, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 29, entitled "Uniform unclaimed property act," by amending section 19 (MCL 567.239), as amended by 1997 PA 195, and by adding section 8a.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1014, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 36202 (MCL 324.36202), as added by 2000 PA 262.

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

Senators Cherry and Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1015, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 32, entitled "Emergency telephone service enabling act," by amending section 408 (MCL 484.1408), as amended by 2003 PA 244.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1016, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1539 (MCL 380.1539), as added by 1988 PA 339.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1017, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 369, entitled "An act to regulate the business of conducting a driver training school; to require licenses in relation thereto; to prescribe certain fees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain persons and state departments; and to prescribe remedies and penalties," by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 4, 4a, 5, 5c, 6, 6a, 6c, and 9 (MCL 256.601, 256.602, 256.604, 256.604a, 256.605, 256.605c, 256.606, 256.606a, 256.606c, and 256.609), the title and section 1 as amended and sections 4a and 6c as added by 1992 PA 169, sections 2, 4, and 6 as amended and section 5c as added by 1998 PA 11, section 5 as amended by 2000 PA 285, and section 6a as added by 1984 PA 391, and by adding sections 1a, 1b, and 1c and part 3 and by adding headings for parts 1, 2, and 3; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1018, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 306, 310e, and 811 (MCL 257.306, 257.310e, and 257.811), section 306 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 310e as amended by 2003 PA 61, and section 811 as amended by 2003 PA 152.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1019, entitled

A bill to amend 1971 PA 140, entitled "Glenn Steil state revenue sharing act of 1971," by amending sections 11 and 13 (MCL 141.911 and 141.913), as amended by 2003 PA 168.

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

Senator Johnson introduced

Senate Bill No. 1020, entitled

A bill to amend 1999 PA 94, entitled "Michigan merit award scholarship act," by amending section 8 (MCL 390.1458), as amended by 2003 PA 186.

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

Senator Brown introduced

Senate Bill No. 1021, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 182, entitled "State police retirement act of 1986," by amending sections 3, 4, 14, 14a, 42, and 43 (MCL 38.1603, 38.1604, 38.1614, 38.1614a, 38.1642, and 38.1643), sections 3 and 14 as amended by 2000 PA 374, section 14a as added by 1995 PA 192, section 42 as amended by 1989 PA 191, and section 43 as amended by 2002 PA 96, and by adding section 24a.

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

House Bill No. 4476, entitled

A bill to provide respite care information resources; to establish a unified Michigan lifespan respite services resource network to disseminate community lifespan respite services information resources; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain departments of this state.

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.

House Bill No. 4929, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 3112a (MCL 324.3112a), as amended by 2000 PA 286.

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 Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

House Bill No. 5241, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 263, entitled "An act to permit counties to impose and collect an excise tax on persons engaged in the business of providing rooms for dwelling, lodging, or sleeping purposes to transient guests; to provide for the disposition of the revenues thereof; and to prescribe penalties," by amending section 2 (MCL 141.862), as amended by 1991 PA 91.

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 Finance.

House Bill No. 5466, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 386, entitled "Estates and protected individuals code," by amending section 5103 (MCL 700.5103), as amended by 2000 PA 54.

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.

Statements

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Cropsey's statement is as follows:

I would hope that the Governor's legislative aide who is here on the floor would take this back to the Governor. In the, I believe, *USA Today*, yesterday or sometime in the near past, the Governor said this on the issue of gay marriage, and I would appeal to the Governor to reconsider. The quote is, assuming the paper got this correct: "Since gay marriage is already illegal in Michigan, I have deep cynicism about what the initiative is all about. I think it is a wedge issue. I think it is being done during an election year to bring special interest money into the state and divide people."

My concern on this is threefold with the Governor's statement in that the Governor said she had deep cynicism on this issue. I have sponsored the constitutional amendment to the state Constitution here in this house. Representative Gary Newell has sponsored it in the state House of Representatives. I hope the Governor is not deeply cynical of us or of our motives, and I would hope that the Governor, having stated in the past that she wants to be a Governor of all the people to bring people together, would bring us in and we could talk to her so she can see that our motives are not to bring a wedge issue. The wedge issue in this should have nothing to do with this. The vast majority of the people of the state of Michigan, I believe, are behind this. I don't think it does us any good to get into political rhetoric.

It's being done in the election year. I offered this amendment last year. I've been working on it behind the scenes. This is not something that I wish to do, that I wish to have a divisive issue brought up, but this is something that has been forced upon us by the judiciary in another state, namely the state of Massachusetts. That wasn't done by the Republicans; that wasn't done by the President; that wasn't done by the Democrats; that was done by the activist judiciary in another state.

Just as a way of background, for over 400 years before we became a nation, while we were still colonies, we've always had a policy that marriage is between a man and a woman. It is a legal union of a man and a woman as husband and wife. You can go into any dictionary and look at that. You can go into the legal dictionary, and that's what they say, as well as the regular dictionary.

The fact is, it was a policy over 100 years ago when Utah wanted to become a state. Before they could become a state, they had to have it as their state policy that marriage was between a man and a woman and not some other definition. But yet today, we see that there is a radical special interest group that wants to use the courts to force their views upon us and upon this nation and usurp the power of the people to make their own decisions. This sustained national push to use the courts has proven to be divisive. That is what is divisive here. When the courts in Hawaii allowed for homosexual marriage, so-called, based on their state constitution, the people of Hawaii came back in 1998 and overwhelmingly amended their state constitution to allow the legislature to limit marriage to be between one man and one woman. The same scenario played out in Alaska. After the state court there took up that issue, the people again in 1998 overwhelmingly amended their state constitution to ban that type of practice. In both cases, the challenges were brought in state court challenging a state law based upon the state constitution. More recently, challenges in other states have been raised in their state courts based upon their state constitutions, and this has been true in Arizona, Vermont, and most recently in Massachusetts and New Jersey. A similar provincial challenge was brought into provincial court in Ontario, Canada. Could such a challenge be brought here in Michigan? Yes, it could be.

This is not an issue that I believe the courts should be deciding. It is an issue that the people should be deciding. And, once again, I challenge—I don't challenge—I implore and appeal to the Governor that she bring us together, that we can discuss this so that there is no question about people's motives on this.

Committee Reports

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Higher Education submitted the following:

Meeting held on Friday, February 20, 2004, at 10:00 a.m., Oakland University, Oakland Center, Banquet Room B, Rochester

Present: Senators Goschka (C), Hardiman and Cherry

Excused: Senators Johnson and Prusi

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Natural Resources submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, at 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators McManus (C), Jelinek, Barcia and Cherry

Excused: Senator Johnson

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Community Colleges submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, at 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Jelinek (C), Stamas and Switalski

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Transportation submitted the following:
 Joint meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, at 1:09 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building
 Present: Senators Gilbert (C), Kuipers, Goschka and Basham
 Absent: Senator Leland

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Transportation submitted the following:
 Joint meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, at 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building
 Present: Senators Johnson (C), Stamas and Barcia

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on the Judiciary and Corrections submitted the following:
 Meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower
 Present: Senators Cropsey (C), Brown, Garcia, Switalski and Prusi

Scheduled Meetings

Agriculture, Forestry and Tourism - Thursday, February 26, 9:00 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1635)

Appropriations -

Subcommittees -

Community Colleges - Tuesdays, March 2 and March 9, 1:00 p.m., and March 16, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-6960)

Community Health Department - Thursdays, February 26, March 4 and March 18, 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-7946)

Environmental Quality Department - Wednesdays, March 3, March 10 and March 17, 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1725)

Higher Education - Fridays, February 27, 10:00 a.m., University of Michigan-Flint, Flint; March 5, 10:00 a.m., Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids; and March 12, 9:00 a.m., Lake Superior State University, Sault Ste. Marie (373-1760)

Judiciary and Corrections - Tuesdays, March 2, March 9 and March 16, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-3760)

K-12, School Aid, Education - Thursday, February 26, 12:00 noon, and Wednesday, March 3, 2:00 p.m. or later immediately following the Appropriations Committee meeting, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-6960)

Natural Resources Department - Tuesdays, March 2, March 9 and March 16, 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1725)

State Police and Military Affairs and House State Police/Military and Veterans Affairs - Thursday, February 26, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-5932)

Education - Thursday, February 26, 2:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-6920)

Local, Urban and State Affairs - Thursday, February 26, 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1707)

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:01 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, declared the Senate adjourned until Thursday, February 26, 2004, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate

