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1:00 p.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	Elsenheimer—present	Law, Kathleen—present	Robertson—present
Acciavatti—present	Emmons—present	Leland—present	Rocca—present
Adamini—present	Espinoza—present	Lemmons, III—e/d/s	Sak—present
Amos—present	Farhat—present	Lemmons, Jr.—present	Schuitmaker—present
Anderson—present	Farrah—present	Lipsey—present	Shaffer—present
Angerer—present	Gaffney—present	Marleau—present	Sheen—present
Ball—present	Garfield—present	Mayes—present	Sheltrown—present
Baxter—present	Gillard—present	McConico—present	Smith, Alma—present
Bennett—present	Gleason—present	McDowell—present	Smith, Virgil—present
Bieda—present	Gonzales—present	Meisner—present	Spade—present
Booher—present	Gosselin—present	Meyer—present	Stahl—present
Brandenburg—excused	Green—present	Miller—present	Stakoe—present
Brown—present	Hansen—present	Moolenaar—present	Steil—present
Byrnes—present	Hildenbrand—present	Moore—present	Stewart—present
Byrum—present	Hood—present	Mortimer—present	Taub—present
Casperson—present	Hoogendyk—present	Murphy—present	Tobocman—present
Caswell—present	Hopgood—present	Newell—present	Vagnozzi—present
Caul—present	Huizenga—present	Nitz—present	Van Regenmorter—present
Cheeks—present	Hummel—present	Nofs—present	Vander Veen—present
Clack—present	Hune—present	Palmer—present	Walker—present
Clemente—present	Hunter—present	Palsrok—present	Ward—excused
Condino—present	Jones—present	Pastor—present	Waters—present
Cushingberry—present	Kahn—present	Pavlov—present	Wenke—present
DeRoche—present	Kolb—present	Pearce—present	Williams—present
Dillon—present	Kooiman—present	Plakas—present	Wojno—present
Donigan—present	LaJoy—present	Polidori—present	Zelenko—present
Drolet—present	Law, David—present	Proos—present	

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Chris Kolb, from the 53rd District, offered the following invocation:

“Father, bless all of us here, help us in our quest to do the work of the people of Michigan, give us the strength and wisdom to do what is right, not just what is politically safe or easy; give us the courage to make the tough decisions to help our constituents; give us the strength to reach across the aisle to make better decisions for all of Michigan; give us the will to unite our state in meeting the challenges we face together. Father, may You touch our hearts to provide help for those in our State with the very least, remembering Your words: ‘What you do to the least among you, you do also unto me;’ may our actions help to improve the lives of all our residents; may our actions help to protect and improve our environment; may our actions help to improve access to quality education for every child and adult; may our actions help to improve the economy so everyone has the chance at a good paying job; may our actions reflect all that is good about us as a people, as a state and as a country; Father, help us to remember that our individual actions and efforts do matter, that one person can truly make a difference; let us all not forget that: ‘To the world You may be one person, but to one person You may be the world,’ Amen.”

Rep. Palmer moved that Reps. Brandenburg and Ward be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

The Speaker assumed the Chair.

Motions and Resolutions

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:
House Resolution No. 236.

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for George C. Furton, former member of the House of Representatives.

Whereas, The members of the Michigan Legislature were disheartened by the loss of George C. Furton, whose love of family and community was real and deeply rooted in his heart and soul. A man of conviction and compassion, he gave freely of his time and talents to those who could benefit the most. To his friends and family, we extend our deepest sympathies; and

Whereas, George C. Furton personified the true sense of self-sacrifice for the betterment of others. Having served in the Asia-Pacific Theater in the Army during World War II, he returned home to Chesterfield Township in Macomb County. Throughout his long and distinguished career of public service, he served as township treasurer, township trustee, the township’s first full-time fire chief, and State Representative. Having spearheaded the organization of the Chesterfield Historical Society and later serving as its president, Mr. Furton supervised the relocation of the “Little Red Schoolhouse” and the “Log Cabin” to a site at the township’s municipal offices; and

Whereas, In Macomb County, George C. Furton was a highly respected and successful entrepreneur. For more than 40 years, he owned and operated his own real estate firm. He also founded the Chesterfield Business Association, served as director and president of the Macomb County Board of Realtors, and was director of the Michigan Association of Realtors. Further, he was an avid aviator, serving in the Civil Air Patrol, the Air Force’s civilian auxiliary, and attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel; and

Whereas, A longtime benefactor of numerous charities and worthwhile community causes, George C. Furton leaves a distinguished legacy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we extend this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of George C. Furton, a member of this legislative body from 1985 to 1986; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Furton family as evidence of our lasting respect for his memory.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted by unanimous standing vote.

The Speaker called the Speaker Pro Tempore to the Chair.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5887, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 168 (MCL 750.168) and by adding section 167d.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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



The Speaker Pro Tempore called Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Caswell to the Chair.

Rep. Sak moved that Rep. Dillon be excused temporarily from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5887, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 168 (MCL 750.168) and by adding section 167d.

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

Roll Call No. 349

Yeas—102

Accavitti	Espinoza	Leland	Robertson
Acciavatti	Farhat	Lemmons, Jr.	Rocca
Adamini	Farrah	Lipsey	Sak
Amos	Gaffney	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Anderson	Garfield	Mayes	Shaffer
Angerer	Gillard	McConico	Sheen
Ball	Gleason	McDowell	Sheltrown
Baxter	Gonzales	Meisner	Smith, Alma
Bennett	Gosselin	Meyer	Smith, Virgil
Bieda	Green	Miller	Spade
Booher	Hansen	Moolenaar	Stahl
Brown	Hildenbrand	Moore	Stakoe
Byrnes	Hood	Mortimer	Steil
Byrum	Hoogendyk	Murphy	Stewart
Casperson	Hopgood	Newell	Taub
Caswell	Huizenga	Nitz	Tobocman
Caul	Hummel	Nofs	Vagnozzi
Cheeks	Hune	Palmer	Van Regenmorter
Clack	Hunter	Palsrok	Vander Veen
Clemente	Jones	Pastor	Walker
Condino	Kahn	Pavlov	Waters
Cushingberry	Kolb	Pearce	Wenke
DeRoche	Kooiman	Plakas	Williams
Donigan	LaJoy	Polidori	Wojno
Elsenheimer	Law, David	Proos	Zelenko
Emmons	Law, Kathleen		

Nays—1

Drolet

In The Chair: Caswell

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Reps. Waters, Plakas, Kolb, Kooiman, Hummel, Vander Veen, Williams, Adamini, Brown, Virgil Smith, Hunter, Tobocman, Wojno, Condino, Accavitti, Byrum, Gillard, Dillon, Bennett, Booher, Byrnes, Caul, Clemente, Cushingberry, Donigan, Espinoza, Gonzales, Leland, Lemmons, Jr., Mayes, McDowell, Polidori, Spade and Murphy were named co-sponsors of the bill.

Rep. Drolet, 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:

There are few things more offensive, inappropriate, and downright disgusting than the act of protesting in an attempt to gain attention for one’s own radical beliefs at the funeral of an American soldier.

The recent and grotesque displays of dishonor that have occurred in our state at the funerals of those who nobly gave all to protect our freedom is enough to invoke the deepest emotion, and the most stern sense of patriotic duty in anyone. It is for this reason that I originally cosponsored this legislation, aimed at ending this practice and protecting the honor, dignity, and peace of those grieving for loved ones who died defending freedom.

This aim is, no doubt, noble. However I have found, after continued research, that this legislation is not in fact the best course of action in defending the dignity of those who defended our freedom.

One of the cornerstones of our nation is our freedom of speech, and peaceful assembly. This is among the freedoms that so many soldiers have fought and died to defend. Though we have guidelines to direct what form our free expression can take, it has always been held a sacred right.

It appears highly probable that should we pass this legislation, those such as Fred Phelps and his band of miscreants will undoubtedly disobey it. While those such as the Patriot Guard, a counter demonstrating group aimed at maintaining dignity at funeral services, will undoubtedly obey the law, and cease their counter-demonstrations. Phelps and his fellow protestors will take this battle to court, and very well may win. This kind of publicity is exactly what these protestors want. Let’s not give it to them.

Those who have gathered to protest at military funerals have not been engaging in peaceable assembly, and have violated many existing state and local ordinances against disturbing the peace, among others. This is why I believe that the best way to protect the dignity and memory of our deceased soldiers is to increase the penalties for existing ordinances when violated during funeral services, and increase the level of enforcement.

This law, which creates a 500 foot area of controlled speech during funerals, has other problematic elements. A funeral procession down a populous urban street, such as Detroit’s Woodward Avenue, would mean that all the buildings on either side of the road would be controlled speech zones for the duration of that funeral. Again, it appears likely that the Supreme Court may strike down such a law as a violation of free speech.

The last thing I want to do is give Fred Phelps and his twisted group more publicity and a court victory, all the while denying groups such as the Patriot Guard their free expression. It is for this reason that I am voting no on this legislation, in favor of stiffening existing ordinances to protect the dignity of those loved and lost who put their lives on the line for our freedom.”

The Speaker Pro Tempore resumed the Chair.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5888, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 16i of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16i), as amended by 2003 PA 268.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Stakoe 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

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Roll Call No. 350

Yeas—103

Accavitti	Emmons	Law, Kathleen	Robertson
Acciavatti	Espinoza	Leland	Rocca
Adamini	Farhat	Lemmons, Jr.	Sak
Amos	Farrah	Lipsey	Schuitmaker
Anderson	Gaffney	Marleau	Shaffer
Angerer	Garfield	Mayes	Sheen
Ball	Gillard	McConico	Sheltrown
Baxter	Gleason	McDowell	Smith, Alma
Bennett	Gonzales	Meisner	Smith, Virgil
Bieda	Gosselin	Meyer	Spade
Booher	Green	Miller	Stahl
Brown	Hansen	Moolenaar	Stakoe
Byrnes	Hildenbrand	Moore	Steil
Byrum	Hood	Mortimer	Stewart
Casperson	Hoogendyk	Murphy	Taub
Caswell	Hopgood	Newell	Tobocman
Caul	Huizenga	Nitz	Vagnozzi
Cheeks	Hummel	Nofs	Van Regenmorter
Clack	Hune	Palmer	Vander Veen
Clemente	Hunter	Palsrok	Walker
Condino	Jones	Pastor	Waters
Cushingberry	Kahn	Pavlov	Wenke
DeRoche	Kolb	Pearce	Williams
Dillon	Kooiman	Plakas	Wojno
Donigan	LaJoy	Polidori	Zelenko
Elsenheimer	Law, David	Proos	

Nays—1

Drolet

In The Chair: Kooiman

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Reps. Waters, McConico, Kooiman, Hummel, Newell, Vander Veen, Brown, Virgil Smith, Hunter, Tobocman, Acciavatti, DeRoche, Hoogendyk, Byrum, Nitz, Palsrok, Ball, Bennett, Caul, Cheeks, Gosselin, Green, Hildenbrand, Kahn, David Law, Mortimer, Palmer, Pavlov, Pearce, Proos, Rocca, Schuitmaker, Spade and Hood were named co-sponsors of the bill.

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By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Reports of Standing Committees

The Speaker laid before the House

House Resolution No. 226.

A resolution to memorialize the United States Congress to enact legislation restricting protests at funerals.

(For text of resolution, see House Journal No. 32, p. 691.)

(The resolution was reported by the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security on March 29, consideration of which, under the rules, was postponed until March 30.)

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Rep. Lemmons, III entered the House Chambers.

Rep. Sak moved that Reps. Farrah and Sheltroun be excused temporarily from today’s session.
 The motion prevailed.

Third Reading of Bills**House Bill No. 5760, 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 2004 PA 5.

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

Roll Call No. 351**Yeas—103**

Accavitti	Elsenheimer	Law, Kathleen	Proos
Acciavatti	Emmons	Leland	Robertson
Adamini	Espinoza	Lemmons, III	Rocca
Amos	Farhat	Lemmons, Jr.	Sak
Anderson	Gaffney	Lipsey	Schuitmaker
Angerer	Garfield	Marleau	Shaffer
Ball	Gillard	Mayes	Sheen
Baxter	Gleason	McConico	Smith, Alma
Bennett	Gonzales	McDowell	Smith, Virgil
Bieda	Gosselin	Meisner	Spade
Booher	Green	Meyer	Stahl
Brown	Hansen	Miller	Stakoe
Byrnes	Hildenbrand	Moolenaar	Steil
Byrum	Hood	Moore	Stewart
Casperson	Hoogendyk	Mortimer	Taub
Caswell	Hopgood	Murphy	Tobocman
Caul	Huizenga	Newell	Vagnozzi
Cheeks	Hummel	Nitz	Van Regenmorter
Clack	Hune	Nofs	Vander Veen
Clemente	Hunter	Palmer	Walker
Condino	Jones	Palsrok	Waters
Cushingberry	Kahn	Pastor	Wenke
DeRoche	Kolb	Pavlov	Williams
Dillon	Kooiman	Pearce	Wojno
Donigan	LaJoy	Plakas	Zelenko
Drolet	Law, David	Polidori	

Nays—0

In The Chair: Kooiman

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

House Bill No. 5553, entitled

A bill to amend 1988 PA 57, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation by 2 or more municipalities of certain authorities for the purpose of providing emergency services to municipalities; to provide for the powers and duties of authorities and of certain state and local agencies and officers; to guarantee certain labor contracts and employment rights in regard to the formation and reorganization of authorities; to provide for certain condemnation proceedings; to provide for the levy of property taxes for certain purposes; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending the title and sections 5 and 9 (MCL 124.605 and 124.609), the title as amended by 1999 PA 167.

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

Roll Call No. 352**Yeas—101**

Accavitti	Emmons	Lemmons, III	Robertson
Acciavatti	Espinoza	Lemmons, Jr.	Rocca
Adamini	Farhat	Lipsey	Sak
Amos	Gaffney	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Anderson	Gillard	Mayer	Shaffer
Angerer	Gleason	McConico	Sheen
Ball	Gonzales	McDowell	Sheltrown
Baxter	Green	Meisner	Smith, Alma
Bennett	Hansen	Meyer	Smith, Virgil
Bieda	Hildenbrand	Miller	Spade
Booher	Hood	Moolenaar	Stahl
Brown	Hoogendyk	Moore	Stakoe
Byrnes	Hopgood	Mortimer	Steil
Byrum	Huizenga	Murphy	Stewart
Casperson	Hummel	Newell	Taub
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Caul	Hunter	Nofs	Vagnozzi
Cheeks	Jones	Palmer	Van Regenmorter
Clack	Kahn	Palsrok	Vander Veen
Clemente	Kolb	Pastor	Walker
Condino	Kooiman	Pavlov	Waters
Cushingberry	LaJoy	Pearce	Wenke
DeRoche	Law, David	Plakas	Williams
Dillon	Law, Kathleen	Polidori	Wojno
Donigan	Leland	Proos	Zelenko
Elsenheimer			

Nays—3

Drolet	Garfield	Gosselin
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In The Chair: Kooiman

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Second Reading of Bills**House Bill No. 5022, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 30 (MCL 206.30), as amended by 2004 PA 394, and by adding section 272.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Banking and Financial Services,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

House Bill No. 5027, entitled

A bill to permit the establishment and maintenance of individual or family development accounts; to provide for certain tax deductions and tax credits; to prescribe the requirements of and restrictions on individual or family development accounts; and to provide penalties and remedies.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Banking and Financial Services,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Hunter moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 8, after “program” by striking out “based on” and inserting “taking into consideration”.

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

Rep. Hunter moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 6, following line 15, by inserting:

“(6) The agency shall work cooperatively with financial institutions, fiduciary organizations, program sites, and contributors to implement the programs under this act.”.

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

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

The motion prevailed.

House Bill No. 5021, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled “Single business tax act,” by amending section 9 (MCL 208.9), as amended by 2004 PA 258, and by adding section 35e.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-2) previously recommended by the Committee on Banking and Financial Services,

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Thursday, March 30, for her approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 5675 at 2:18 p.m.

Enrolled House Bill No. 5743 at 2:20 p.m.

The Clerk announced that the following bills and joint resolution had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Friday, March 31:

House Bill Nos.	5922	5923	5924	5925	5926	5927	5928	5929	5930	5931	5932	5933	5934	5935
	5936	5937	5938	5939	5940	5941	5942	5943	5944	5945	5946			

Senate Bill Nos. 1201 1202 1203

House Joint Resolution V

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Tuesday, April 4, for her approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 5640 at 2:10 p.m.

Enrolled House Bill No. 5813 at 2:12 p.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Friday, April 7, for her approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 5606 at 10:19 a.m.

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bill had been received on Tuesday, April 18:

Senate Bill No. 934

Messages from the Governor

The following veto message from the Governor was received and read:

Executive Office, Lansing, March 31, 2006

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7514

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have vetoed, and return to you with my objections, **Enrolled House Bill 5743**. This legislation threatens our families, our businesses, and our state's economic future. Instead of offering needed solutions, this half-measure only creates new problems for Michigan.

First, if enacted, House Bill 5743 would result in either a significant tax increase for Michigan families or massive cuts in the things most important to Michigan families – education, health care, and public safety. The Republican leadership's failure to accept Democratic amendments that would have prevented these adverse results makes it clear these results are among the intended consequences of this legislation.

Second, if enacted, House Bill 5743 would cast a cloud of uncertainty over Michigan's business climate. Businesses considering investment or expansion in Michigan would be unable to estimate what their tax obligations might be without a replacement tax or substantially modified Single Business Tax in place. Uncertainty about taxes is a powerful disincentive to the new investment and job creation that Michigan needs. That is why I have stressed the importance of acting now to determine just what will replace the SBT and the nearly \$2 billion it provides each year.

My record on this subject could not be more clear. I have consistently supported tax reform measures that will make Michigan more competitive and create jobs, including the \$600 million tax cut for manufacturers I signed into law in December. I have also offered three distinct ways we could overhaul or replace the Single Business Tax: the Michigan Jobs and Investment Act I proposed in January of 2005, the compromise agreement the Republican leadership reneged on in November, and an SBT repeal through HB 5743 had it included the aforementioned Democratic amendments. But I will not sign a bill that would shift the tax burden to Michigan families and create tremendous uncertainty in Michigan's business climate.

I therefore return Enrolled House Bill 5743 without signature and call on you to do your job. Create a solution, not more problems. Pass improved business tax legislation that fully protects vital services like education, health care, and public safety. Pass a bill that also guarantees that businesses will pay their fair share of taxes without forcing Michigan families and citizens to shoulder new tax burdens. That is a solution I can support. That is the solution Michigan needs and deserves.

Respectfully,
Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, Rep. Stakoe moved that consideration of the bill be postponed for the day.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Stakoe moved that House Committees be given leave to meet during the balance of today's session.
The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Murphy, Accavitti, Anderson, Bieda, Brown, Byrum, Cheeks, Clack, Condino, Cushingberry, Farrah, Gillard, Gleason, Gonzales, Hood, Hopgood, Huizenga, Hunter, Kolb, Lemmons, III, Lemmons, Jr., Lipsey, McDowell, Meisner, Miller, Nofs, Plakas, Polidori, Sak, Sheen, Alma Smith, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Waters and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 237.

A resolution to urge the governor and the Michigan Civil Service Commission to allow that administrative leave to be used by state workers absent from work to assist in the Hurricane Katrina rebuilding effort.

Whereas, Thousands of personnel and millions of dollars in equipment and other resources from across the country have been sent to areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama affected by Hurricane Katrina. Forty-nine states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, have provided aid. More than 50,000 people have been deployed to the affected areas at one time or another. Thousands of pieces of equipment, from medivac helicopters to diapers, from water purification systems to decontamination showers, have been sent to the Gulf Coast; and

Whereas, There are provisions in Michigan law which provide a means by which state employees can assist in emergencies such as Hurricane Katrina. Act No. 199 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 15.501 through 15.512 of the *Michigan Compiled Laws*, provides for the temporary assignment of Michigan state employees to a receiving state. A state employee who is participating in a temporary assignment shall be considered on detail to a regular work assignment of the sending agency or in a status of leave of absence. An employee who is on detail shall receive at least the same salary and benefits to which they would otherwise be entitled and shall be paid by the sending state except as otherwise agreed to between the sending state and the receiving state. A receiving state shall supervise the duties of an employee who is on detail except as otherwise agreed to by the sending and receiving agencies; and

Whereas, The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) is also available as a vehicle by which state employees can be sent to assist states during their emergencies. The EMAC is a state-to-state mutual aid agreement that allows support across state lines when a disaster occurs. The governor of the affected area must first declare a state of emergency. This allows the receiving state to pre-stage resources and be in a position when the state asks for the help it needs. It is this request that triggers response from other EMAC member states and sets the EMAC operations system of coordination and deployment in motion. The compact uses established protocols that allow reimbursement from the requesting state to all assisting states. The EMAC also has procedures in place to resolve worker's compensation and liabilities issues. Michigan became a member of the compact through Act No. 247 of the Public Acts of 2001 and Act No. 248 of the Public Acts of 2001; and

Whereas, Michigan Civil Service Commission Rule 2-11.2 also provides that an appointing authority may grant administrative leave with pay for necessary absence from duty for which annual, sick, if other leave with pay are not applicable. It is generally up to the director of an agency to determine what resources they can provide. However, the appointing authority must grant administrative leave when specifically required by the Civil Service Commission; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the governor and the Michigan Civil Service Commission to allow that administrative leave to be used by state workers absent from work to assist in the Hurricane Katrina rebuilding effort; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the governor and the Michigan Civil Service Commission. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Employment Relations, Training, and Safety.

Reps. Kathleen Law, Tobocman, Farrah, Hopgood, Plakas, Vagnozzi, Donigan, Gleason, Anderson, Cushingberry, Gonzales, Lemmons, Jr., Sak, Kolb, Byrnes, Brown, Adamini, McDowell, Gillard, Condino, Leland, Bieda, Wojno, Accavitti, Espinoza, Mayes, McConico, Spade, Zelenko, Williams, Alma Smith, Waters, Byrum, Clack, Cheeks, Hunter, Kahn, Lemmons, III, Lipsey, Meisner, Miller, Murphy, Polidori and Sheltroun offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 238.

A resolution recognizing April 28, 2006, as Workers Memorial Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Since 1989, people throughout the world observe Workers Memorial Day on April 28th. It is a day to remember those who have suffered and died on the job; and

Whereas, It is important to remember those who have died in workplace catastrophes, suffered diseases because of exposure to toxic substances, or been injured because of dangerous conditions; and

Whereas, April 28th is the anniversary of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Every year on April 28th, people in hundreds of communities and worksites recognize workers who have been killed or injured on the job. Trade unionists around the world now mark April 28th as an International Day of Mourning; and

Whereas, Workers Memorial Day is observed in nearly one hundred countries. It has been officially endorsed by the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions and the International Labor Organization. Five countries - Canada, Portugal, Spain, Taiwan, and Thailand - formally recognize April 28th as Workers Memorial Day; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize April 28, 2006, as Workers Memorial Day in the state of Michigan.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Employment Relations, Training, and Safety.

Reps. Hune, Gaffney, Accavitti, Ball, Bieda, Booher, Brown, Caul, Elsenheimer, Farrah, Gillard, Gonzales, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Hopgood, Jones, Lemmons, III, Marleau, Meyer, Murphy, Nitz, Proos and Sheltroun offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 239.

A resolution to urge the Michigan Department of Agriculture to direct all necessary resources to the implementation of the mandatory electronic animal identification program.

Whereas, In response to concerns about how best to deal with problems regarding the health of animals, the Michigan Department of Agriculture has been working with farm and cattle organizations to develop a means of tracking the history of all herd animals. With the movement that takes place within the industry, having a reliable record of where an animal has been raised and fed is an important tool to allay undue fears and to isolate any health problems quickly; and

Whereas, On January 9, 2006, the Michigan Agriculture Commission voted unanimously to direct the Michigan Department of Agriculture to develop an implementation plan for a mandatory electronic animal identification program. This initiative to have all cattle in our state identified through a radio frequency identification device is to be in place by March 1, 2007; and

Whereas, The move to provide documentation on the history of each head of cattle in Michigan has strong support throughout the industry. This will be a tool to protect Michigan agriculture in the event of problems with disease elsewhere. Verifying the source and history of Michigan animals will be very reassuring to the market. This program is part of the national identification efforts being worked on by the United States Department of Agriculture; and

Whereas, The Michigan Agriculture Commission's action is a response to a concern within the state. In carrying out the planning and implementation of this program, the department should do so in a manner that does not place additional burdens on the state's agricultural industry; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the Michigan Department of Agriculture to direct all necessary resources to the implementation of the mandatory electronic animal identification program; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Agriculture and the Michigan Agriculture Commission.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Reps. Taub, Accavitti, Anderson, Baxter, Bieda, Booher, Brown, Byrum, Caul, Cushingberry, Elsenheimer, Farrah, Garfield, Gillard, Gleason, Gonzales, Gosselin, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Hoogendyk, Hopgood, Huizenga, Jones, Kahn, Kolb, Kooiman, LaJoy, David Law, Lemmons, III, Lipsey, Marleau, Meisner, Meyer, Miller, Murphy, Nitz, Nofs, Palmer, Pastor, Pearce, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Shaffer, Sheen, Sheltrown, Alma Smith, Spade, Stahl, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Vander Veen, Waters and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 240.

A resolution marking the 61st anniversary of the end of the Holocaust, and declaring April 26, 2006, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The horrors of the Holocaust should never be forgotten. This year marks the 61st anniversary of the end of the Holocaust, which was ruthlessly and tragically carried out by Nazi Germany under the leadership of Adolf Hitler and his collaborators; and

Whereas, The Holocaust involved the genocide of millions of innocent Jewish men, women, and children and other minorities throughout Europe. In addition, there was an enormity of suffering inflicted on the many survivors through mistreatment, brutalization, violence, torture, slave labor, involuntary medical experimentation, death marches, and numerous other acts of cruelty that have come to be known as "crimes against humanity"; and

Whereas, In the past 61 years, the Holocaust has provided the people of the world with a critical lesson in the importance of compassion, caring, and kindness. The Holocaust also has served as a reminder of the dangers inherent in bigotry, racism, and intolerance in the world; and

Whereas, Recognition of the 61st anniversary of the end of World War II and the liberation of the concentration camps is crucial. We encourage all Americans to commemorate the occasion through reflection, acts of compassionate caring, and learning about the terrible consequences and lessons of the Holocaust; and

Whereas, On April 26, 2006, we recognize the Holocaust Commemoration Ceremony, *Legacies of Justice*, in memory of the 61st anniversary of the liberation of Nazi concentration camps and the subsequent prosecution under international law of the major Nazi war criminals at Nuremberg, Germany; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body mark the 61st anniversary of the end of the Holocaust and declare April 26, 2006, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Stakoe moved that Rule 77 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. Taub, Accavitti, Anderson, Baxter, Bieda, Brown, Byrum, Caul, Cushingberry, Elsenheimer, Farrah, Garfield, Gillard, Gleason, Gosselin, Hildenbrand, Hoogendyk, Hopgood, Huizenga, Jones, Kahn, Kolb, Kooiman, LaJoy, David Law, Lemmons, III, Lipsey, Marleau, Meisner, Meyer, Miller, Murphy, Nitz, Nofs, Palmer, Pastor, Pearce, Polidori,

Proos, Shaffer, Sheltroun, Alma Smith, Spade, Stahl, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Vander Veen and Waters offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 241.

A resolution commemorating April 24, 2006, as Michigan's Day of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923.

Whereas, Each year, on April 24th, all Armenians observe the anniversary of the Turkish crime of genocide that shocked the sensibilities of the civilized world. The Armenians pause on this day to mourn and honor the memory of kinfolk by appropriate religious and civil ceremonies; and

Whereas, April 24th is more than an Armenian day of mourning. The denial of justice is morally affecting all mankind. Therefore, April 24th is a day on which each year the Armenians remind the world community that their problems, with which it has been plagued without surcease, will remain insoluble so long as justice is ignored; and

Whereas, One and one-half million men, women, and children of Armenian descent were victims of the brutal genocide perpetrated by the Turkish Ottoman Empire from 1915-1923. The Armenian Genocide and massacres of the Armenian people represented a deliberate attempt to eliminate all traces of a thriving noble civilization over 3,000-years-old. The Armenian people have not received reparations for their losses. To this day revisionists still inexplicably deny the existence of these horrific events; and

Whereas, Prior to the invasion of Poland in 1939, Adolf Hitler, the German Nazi dictator, seeking to dispel fears among his military command regarding the world's response to his genocidal plans, asked "Who, after all, today speaks of the Armenians?"; and

Whereas, The world must be reminded that this unpunished act of genocide of the Armenians in 1915 in no small measure contributed to the genocide of the Jewish and Polish populations in World War II; and,

Whereas, Recognition of the 90th anniversary of this genocide is crucial to ensure against the repetition of future genocides and educate people about the atrocities connected to this horrific event; and

Whereas, The Legislature, through Public Act 558 of 2002, established April 24th as Michigan Day of remembrance of the Armenian genocide. It also declared the period beginning on the Sunday before the 24th through the following Sunday to be the days of remembrance in this state; and

Whereas, Armenia is now a free and independent republic, having embraced democracy following nearly 70 years of oppressive Soviet domination; and

Whereas, Armenian-Americans living in Michigan have greatly enriched our state through their leadership in business, agriculture, academia, government, and the arts; and

Whereas, We join Armenian-Americans and the Armenian community abroad to mourn the loss of so many innocent lives. But, the lessons learned must contribute to the development of international intervention principles and human rights awareness; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate April 24, 2006, as Michigan's Day of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Governor, Jennifer Granholm, the Honorable Lieutenant Governor, John Cherry, the Honorable Senate Majority Leader, Ken Sikkema, and the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, Craig DeRoche.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Stakoe moved that Rule 77 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.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Senior Health, Security, and Retirement, by Rep. Vander Veen, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5762, entitled

A bill to protect and promote long-term health care; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to long-term health care; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal and other long-term 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 long-term health care and adult foster care; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of long-term health care and adult foster care services; to provide for the appropriate utilization of long-term health care facilities and services and adult foster care facilities and services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; 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; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Vander Veen, Green, Stahl, Proos, Zelenko, Polidori, Clack and Vagnozzi

Nays: None

The Committee on Senior Health, Security, and Retirement, by Rep. Vander Veen, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5919, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 12615, 17307, 20106, 20109, 20127, 20142, 20155, 20156, 20162, 20168, 20176, 20194, 20198, 20201, 22205, 22210, and 22239 (MCL 333.12615, 333.17307, 333.20106, 333.20109, 333.20127, 333.20142, 333.20155, 333.20156, 333.20162, 333.20168, 333.20176, 333.20194, 333.20198, 333.20201, 333.22205, 333.22210, and 333.22239), section 12615 as amended by 1988 PA 315, section 17307 as added by 2001 PA 139, section 20106 as amended by 2000 PA 253, section 20109 as amended by 1996 PA 224, section 20155 as amended by 2001 PA 218, section 20156 as amended by 1990 PA 179, section 20162 as amended by 2004 PA 284, section 20176 as amended by 1994 PA 52, section 20194 as amended by 2003 PA 3, section 20198 as added by 1998 PA 270, section 20201 as amended by 2006 PA 38, sections 22205 and 22239 as amended by 2002 PA 619, and section 22210 as amended by 1993 PA 88; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Vander Veen, Green, Stahl, Proos, Zelenko, Polidori, Clack and Vagnozzi

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Vander Veen, Chair, of the Committee on Senior Health, Security, and Retirement, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, April 18, 2006

Present: Reps. Vander Veen, Green, Stahl, Proos, Zelenko, Polidori, Clack and Vagnozzi

Absent: Rep. Van Regenmorter

Excused: Rep. Van Regenmorter

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. Drolet, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5817, entitled

A bill to amend 1965 PA 40, entitled "An act to authorize and require public agencies to pay allowances for the expense of moving personal property from real property acquired for public purposes," by amending section 2 (MCL 213.352), as amended by 1991 PA 21.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen and Tobocman

Nays: None

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. Drolet, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5818, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 87, entitled "The uniform condemnation procedures act," by amending section 16 (MCL 213.66), as amended by 1996 PA 474.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen and Tobocman

Nays: None

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. Drolet, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5819, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 87, entitled "The uniform condemnation procedures act," by amending section 9 (MCL 213.59), as amended by 1996 PA 474.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen and Tobocman

Nays: None

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. Drolet, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5820, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 87, entitled "The uniform condemnation procedures act," by amending section 8 (MCL 213.58), as amended by 1996 PA 474.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen and Tobocman

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Drolet, Chair, of the Committee on Government Operations, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, April 18, 2006

Present: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Emmons and Tobocman

Absent: Reps. Lipsey and Lemmons, III

Excused: Reps. Lipsey and Lemmons, III

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4181, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a neighborhood improvement authority; to prescribe the powers and duties of the authority; to correct and prevent deterioration in neighborhoods and certain other areas; to authorize the

acquisition and disposal of interests in real and personal property; to authorize the creation and implementation of development plans and development areas; to promote residential and economic growth; to create a board; to prescribe the powers and duties of the board; to authorize the issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to authorize the use of tax increment financing; to prescribe powers and duties of certain state officials; to provide for rule promulgation; and to provide for enforcement of the act.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Dillon, Bennett, Accavitti, McConico and Leland

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5056, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 197, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of a downtown development authority; to prescribe its powers and duties; to correct and prevent deterioration in business districts; to encourage historic preservation; to authorize the acquisition and disposal of interests in real and personal property; to authorize the creation and implementation of development plans in the districts; to promote the economic growth of the districts; to create a board; to prescribe its powers and duties; to authorize the levy and collection of taxes; to authorize the issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to authorize the use of tax increment financing; to reimburse downtown development authorities for certain losses of tax increment revenues; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officials," by amending section 4 (MCL 125.1654), as amended by 1987 PA 66.

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

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Dillon, Bennett, Accavitti, McConico and Leland

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5897, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 450, entitled "The tax increment finance authority act," by amending section 26 (MCL 125.1826).

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Dillon, Bennett, Accavitti, McConico and Leland

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, of the Committee on Commerce, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, April 18, 2006

Present: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Tobocman, Dillon, Bennett, Accavitti, McConico and Leland

Absent: Rep. Wenke

Excused: Rep. Wenke

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. LaJoy, Chair, of the Committee on Transportation, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 30, 2006

Present: Reps. LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Condino and Tobocman

Absent: Rep. Meyer

Excused: Rep. Meyer

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, of the Committee on Judiciary, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, April 18, 2006

Present: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Schuitmaker, Newell, Nofs, Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Jones, David Law, Rocca, Lipsey, Condino, Adamini, McConico, Bieda and Virgil Smith

Messages from the Senate**House Bill No. 5199, entitled**

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled "Michigan memorial highway act," by amending section 29 (MCL 250.1029).

The Senate has passed the bill, ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

The House agreed to the full title.

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

House Bill No. 5643, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 118, entitled "The prisoner reimbursement to the county act," by amending section 7 (MCL 801.87), as amended by 1996 PA 544.

The Senate has substituted (S-1) the bill.

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

The Speaker announced that pursuant to Rule 45, the bill was laid over one day.

Senate Bill No. 934, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," (MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 307b.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Messages from the Governor

Date: March 31, 2006

Time: 1:25 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5675 (Public Act No. 84, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and

to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending sections 1230, 1230a, 1230c, 1230d, 1230g, 1535a, and 1539b (MCL 380.1230, 380.1230a, 380.1230c, 380.1230d, 380.1230g, 380.1535a, and 380.1539b), section 1230 as amended and section 1230c as added by 2005 PA 129, section 1230a as amended by 2005 PA 138, section 1230d as added by 2005 PA 131, and section 1230g as added and sections 1535a and 1539b as amended by 2005 PA 130, and by adding section 1230h.

(Filed with the Secretary of State March 31, 2006, at 1:32 p.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5240 (Public Act No. 85, I.E.), being

An act 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 5, 627, 628, 629, and 629c (MCL 257.5, 257.627, 257.628, 257.629, and 257.629c), section 627 as amended by 2006 PA 19, section 628 as amended by 2003 PA 65, section 629 as amended by 1988 PA 368, and section 629c as amended by 1996 PA 320; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 3, 2006, at 11:38 a.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:02 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5241 (Public Act No. 86, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1990 PA 187, entitled “An act to regulate the equipment, maintenance, operation, and use of school buses and pupil transportation vehicles; to prescribe the qualifications of school bus and pupil transportation vehicle drivers; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental agencies; to create an advisory committee and to prescribe its powers and duties; and to prescribe remedies and penalties,” by amending section 61 (MCL 257.1861).

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 3, 2006, at 11:40 a.m.)

Date: April 4, 2006

Time: 8:12 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4643 (Public Act No. 92, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled “An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices without a license or other authorization; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms under certain circumstances; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to prohibit certain conduct against individuals who apply for or receive a license to carry a concealed pistol; to make appropriations; to prescribe certain

conditions for the appropriations; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act,” by amending section 5I (MCL 28.425I), as amended by 2005 PA 262.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 4, 2006, at 8:20 a.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:28 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5282 (Public Act No. 94, I.E.), being

An act to amend 2000 PA 258, entitled “An act to establish career and technical preparation enrollment options for certain students enrolled in Michigan schools; to prescribe certain duties of public schools and certain postsecondary institutions; to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials, and agencies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 13 (MCL 388.1913).

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 4, 2006, at 8:24 a.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:26 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4838 (Public Act No. 95, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled “An act to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of management and budget; to define the authority and functions of its director and its organizational entities; to authorize the department to issue directives; to provide for the capital outlay program; to provide for the leasing, planning, constructing, maintaining, altering, renovating, demolishing, conveying of lands and facilities; to provide for centralized administrative services such as purchasing, payroll, record retention, data processing, and publishing and for access to certain services; to provide for a system of internal accounting and administrative control for certain principal departments; to provide for an internal auditor in certain principal departments; to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the powers, duties, and laws relative to budgeting, accounting, and the regulating of appropriations; to provide for the implementation of certain constitutional provisions; to create funds and accounts; to make appropriations; to prescribe remedies and penalties; to rescind certain executive reorganization orders; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594) by adding section 1299.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 4, 2006, at 8:26 a.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:30 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5620 (Public Act No. 98, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1988 PA 234, entitled “An act to create the Vietnam veterans memorial monument fund; to establish a commission to govern the monument fund; to prescribe the purpose of the monument fund; to prescribe the powers and duties of the commission and certain state departments and officers; to designate the veterans memorial park; to provide for legislative oversight; and to provide for dissolution of the commission,” by amending section 5a (MCL 35.1055a), as added by 2000 PA 470.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 4, 2006, at 10:52 a.m.)

Date: April 2, 2006

Time: 7:24 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5508 (Public Act No. 104, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1984 PA 44, entitled “An act to provide purity and quality standards for motor fuels; to regulate the transfer, sale, dispensing, or offering of motor fuels for sale; to provide for an inspection and testing program; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state agencies; to provide for the licensing of certain persons engaged in the transfer, sale, dispensing, or offering of motor fuels for sale; to regulate stage I and stage II vapor-recovery systems

at certain facilities; to provide for fees; and to provide remedies and prescribe penalties,” by amending the title and sections 2, 3, 5, 9b, 9d, 9g, 9h, 9i, 9j, 10b, 10c, and 10d (MCL 290.642, 290.643, 290.645, 290.649b, 290.649d, 290.649g, 290.649h, 290.649i, 290.649j, 290.650b, 290.650c, and 290.650d), the title and section 2 as amended and sections 9b, 9d, 9g, 9h, 9j, and 10c as added by 1993 PA 236, sections 3, 5, and 10b as amended by 2002 PA 13, section 9i as amended by 2004 PA 278, and section 10d as added by 1993 PA 231, and by adding sections 9k and 9l; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 6, 2006, at 9:44 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006
Time: 8:05 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4161 (Public Act No. 105, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1996 PA 305, entitled “An act to prescribe procedures for and the contents of acknowledgments of parentage; to state the effects of those acknowledgments; to provide procedures and criteria for revoking acknowledgments; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain state officers and employees,” by amending sections 6 and 7 (MCL 722.1006 and 722.1007).

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 7, 2006, at 9:58 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006
Time: 8:07 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5256 (Public Act No. 106, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incorporation or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associations organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exercise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms, corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on domestic insurance companies and associations and the state accident fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of surplus line agents; to provide for the imposition of regulatory fees on certain insurers; to provide for assessment fees on certain health maintenance organizations; to modify tort liability arising out of certain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to that modified tort liability and to prescribe certain procedures for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued availability and affordability of automobile insurance and homeowners insurance in this state and to facilitate the purchase of that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect to insurance and with respect to certain claims against uninsured or self-insured persons; to prescribe duties for certain state departments and officers with respect to that reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business within this state; to provide for regulation over worker’s compensation self-insurers; to provide for the conservation, rehabilitation, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile theft prevention authority to reduce the number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of the automobile theft prevention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to provide for an appropriation; to repeal acts and parts of acts; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act,” by amending section 3020 (MCL 500.3020), as amended by 1998 PA 410.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 7, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006
Time: 8:09 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5494 (Public Act No. 107, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1990 PA 187, entitled “An act to regulate the equipment, maintenance, operation, and use of school buses and pupil transportation vehicles; to prescribe the qualifications of school bus and pupil transportation vehicle drivers; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental agencies; to create an advisory committee and to prescribe its powers and duties; and to prescribe remedies and penalties,” by amending the title and sections 5, 7, 9, 10, 10a, 11, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, and 39 (MCL 257.1805, 257.1807, 257.1809, 257.1810, 257.1810a, 257.1811, 257.1821, 257.1823, 257.1825, 257.1827, 257.1829, 257.1831, 257.1833, and 257.1839), sections 5, 7, 10, and 10a as amended by 2000 PA 49, section 23 as amended by 1990 PA 322, and section 33 as amended by 2001 PA 130; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 7, 2006, at 10:02 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006
Time: 8:15 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5497 (Public Act No. 109, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incorporation or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associations organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exercise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms, corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on domestic insurance companies and associations and the state accident fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of surplus line agents; to provide for the imposition of regulatory fees on certain insurers; to provide for assessment fees on certain health maintenance organizations; to modify tort liability arising out of certain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to that modified tort liability and to prescribe certain procedures for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued availability and affordability of automobile insurance and homeowners insurance in this state and to facilitate the purchase of that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect to insurance and with respect to certain claims against uninsured or self-insured persons; to prescribe duties for certain state departments and officers with respect to that reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business within this state; to provide for regulation over worker’s compensation self-insurers; to provide for the conservation, rehabilitation, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile theft prevention authority to reduce the number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of the automobile theft prevention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to provide for an appropriation; to repeal acts and parts of acts; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act,” by amending section 1204c (MCL 500.1204c), as amended by 2005 PA 247.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 7, 2006, at 10:06 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006
Time: 4:15 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4398 (Public Act No. 110, I.E.), being

An act to codify the laws regarding local units of government regulating the development and use of land; to provide for the adoption of zoning ordinances; to provide for the establishment in counties, townships, cities, and villages of

zoning districts; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain officials; to provide for the assessment and collection of fees; to authorize the issuance of bonds and notes; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 10, 2006, at 10:24 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006

Time: 4:17 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4733 (Public Act No. 111, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled “An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation,” (MCL 208.1 to 208.145) by adding section 35c.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 10, 2006, at 10:26 a.m.)

Date: April 7, 2006

Time: 4:19 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4734 (Public Act No. 112, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled “An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation,” by amending section 38g (MCL 208.38g), as amended by 2003 PA 249.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 10, 2006, at 10:28 a.m.)

Date: April 11, 2006

Time: 1:47 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5640 (Public Act No. 117, I.E.), being

An act 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 2006 PA 21.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 11, 2006, at 2:52 p.m.)

Date: April 14, 2006

Time: 8:48 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 5813 (Public Act No. 122, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act,” by amending section 381 (MCL 168.381), as amended by 2005 PA 71.

(Filed with the Secretary of State April 14, 2006, at 3:23 p.m.)

Communications from State Officers

The following communications from the Secretary of State were received and read:

Notices of Filing
Administrative Rules

March 24, 2006

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules filed at 1:05 P.M. this date, administrative rule (06-03-04) for the Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Wage and Hour Division, entitled "Youth Employment Standards" These rules become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State unless adopted under sections 33, 44, 45a(6) of 1969 PA 306. Rules adopted under these sections become effective 7 days after filing with the Secretary of State.

March 24, 2006

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules filed at 1:07 P.M. this date, administrative rule (06-03-05) for the Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Director's Office, entitled "Architects" These rules become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State unless adopted under sections 33, 44, 45a(6) of 1969 PA 306. Rules adopted under these sections become effective 7 days after filing with the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,
Terri Lynn Land
Secretary of State
Robin Houston, Office Supervisor
Office of the Great Seal

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the Department of Human Services were received and read:

March 29, 2006

Pursuant to Section 1002 of P.A. 147 of 2005, we are enclosing a copy of the following reports:

<u>Type of Report</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Report #</u>	<u>License #</u>
Licensing Study Report	Arbor Heights Community Justice		CS810200952

This report was performed in compliance with the requirements of P.A. 116 of 1973 as amended, and the Administrative Rules for Child Caring Institutions. The report may also be viewed on our website, within 48 hours, under "News, Publications & Information" at the following address: <http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/>.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact Miriam E.J. Bullock at 517-373-8383.

April 4, 2006

Pursuant to Section 1002 of P.A. 147 of 2005, we are enclosing a copy of the following reports:

<u>Type of Report</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Report #</u>	<u>License #</u>
Interim	Presque Isle County DHS		CP810201368

This report was performed in compliance with the requirements of P.A. 116 of 1973 as amended, and the Administrative Rules for Child Caring Institutions. The report may also be viewed on our website, within 48 hours, under "News, Publications & Information" at the following address: <http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/>.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact Miriam E.J. Bullock at 517-373-8383.

Sincerely,
Marianne Udow
Director

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Auditor General was received and read:

March 31, 2006

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or report summary:
Performance audit of the Environmental Stewardship Division,
Department of Agriculture
March 2006

Sincerely,
Thomas H. McTavish, C.P.A.
Auditor General

The communication was referred to the Clerk and the accompanying report referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

The following communication from the Department of Labor and Economic Growth was received and read:

March 31, 2006

In accordance with Section 8 of the *Michigan Employment Security Act*, being Section 421.8 of the *Michigan Compiled Laws*, the Unemployment Insurance Agency is required to report annually to the Governor and the Legislature any amount, in excess of \$1.00, that the maximum weekly unemployment benefit rate would increase if the annual increase in the United States Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index (CPI) were applied to the maximum weekly benefit rate.

I am therefore transmitting to the Governor, and to the House and Senate for publication along with this letter in the *Journals* of their respective bodies, the enclosed report showing that since the last increase in the maximum weekly benefit rate to \$362.00, the increase in the CPI would result in an increase in the maximum weekly unemployment benefit rate to \$405.12. Using the method of applying a percentage of the state average weekly wage, the maximum weekly benefit rate would increase to \$454.90.

Respectfully submitted:
Sharon M. Bommarito
Director
Unemployment Insurance Agency
Department of Labor and Economic Growth

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Department of State Police was received and read:

April 1, 2006

Enclosed is a copy of the FY05 Annual Report and Evaluation for the Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Prevention Program.

This report satisfies the reporting requirements contained in Public Act 416 of 1978, as amended. Copies of this report are transmitted to the Governor's Office, Clerk of the House, Secretary of the Senate, Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee, each county sheriff, the Michigan Sheriffs' Association, and the Deputy Sheriff's Association of Michigan.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact Kim Kelly at (517) 333-5303.

Sincerely,
MICHAEL L. PRINCE
Division Director
Office of Highway Safety Planning

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Department of Natural Resources was received and read:

April 6, 2006

In compliance with Part 413, Public Act 451 of 1994, attached is the annual report of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on "Actions Related to Invasive Species." This report is a summary of the required reporting items with Legislative and Departmental recommendations to accomplish the activities necessary to carry out the intent of Transgenic and Non-native Organisms regulations.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Rebecca A. Humphries
Director
517-373-2329

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

Introduction of Bills

Rep. Lemmons, III introduced

House Bill No. 5947, entitled

A bill to amend 1992 PA 147, entitled "Neighborhood enterprise zone act," by amending section 4 (MCL 207.774), as amended by 2005 PA 339.

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

Reps. Pastor, Garfield, Gosselin, Taub, Brandenburg, Shaffer, Acciavatti and Walker introduced

House Bill No. 5948, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 2912i.

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

Reps. Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Shaffer, Accavitti and Mayes introduced

House Bill No. 5949, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," (MCL 211.1 to 211.157) by adding section 7jj.

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

Rep. Byrnes introduced

House Bill No. 5950, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding part 363.

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

Rep. Jones introduced

House Bill No. 5951, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 40104 and 40114 (MCL 324.40104 and 324.40114), as added by 1995 PA 57, and by adding section 40115.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Forestry, and Outdoor Recreation.

Announcements by the Clerk

April 10, 2006

Received from the Wayne County Airport Authority the 2005 Audited Financial Statements per the requirements of Public Act 90 of 2002.

Gary L. Randall
Clerk of the House

Rep. Sak moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:55 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, April 19, at 1:00 p.m.

GARY L. RANDALL
Clerk of the House of Representatives

