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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, February 25, 2010.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator Randy Richardville.

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

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

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

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

Senator Michael Switalski of the 10th District offered the following invocation:

Good morning, Lord. Our time grows short. You have been generous to grant us a decade or more in Lansing, but our time is finite and it approaches its end.

Is it Your design, Lord, that our final year be such a challenge, or is annual fiscal crises a product of our own weakness? Did You put us here because we are the decisive leaders that times require? We pray that You did and that we are worthy of Your trust.

Lord, thank You for the chance to achieve. You sent us here to make Michigan better, and I hope we do that. We have ten months left to accomplish that. Senators, our Lord has challenged us. He has set before us two paths. Will we fix Michigan's problems, or take the path of least resistance? Will we take courage and hard votes, or leave the same issues to our successors unresolved? Will we leave this institution stronger and more respected or a weakened, timid, divided, and dysfunctional body?

The Lord has put the choice before us. Choose wisely. Amen.

The President pro tempore, Senator Richardville, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Cropsey moved that Senators George, Garcia and McManus be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Anderson moved that Senator Barcia be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Anderson moved that Senators Clark-Coleman, Hunter, Thomas, Clarke and Jacobs be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senators McManus, Garcia, George and Barcia entered the Senate Chamber.

The following communication was received and read:  
Office of the Auditor General

February 19, 2010

Enclosed is a copy of the following management letter:

Management Letter related to our audit of the financial statements of the Michigan Exposition and Fairgrounds Authority, a discretely presented component unit of the State of Michigan, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009.  
Auditor General

The management letter was referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, February 24:

**House Bill Nos. 5313 5470 5471 5472 5473 5520 5566 5811**

The Secretary announced that the following official bills were printed on Wednesday, February 24, and are available at the legislative website:

**Senate Bill Nos. 1139 1140 1141 1142 1143 1144 1145 1146 1147 1148 1172**  
**House Bill Nos. 5850 5851 5852 5853 5854 5855 5856 5857 5858 5859 5860 5861 5862 5863**  
**5864 5865 5866 5867 5868 5869 5870 5871 5872 5873 5874 5875 5876 5877**  
**5878 5879 5880 5881 5882 5883 5884 5885 5886 5887 5888 5889 5890**

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Stamas' statement is as follows:

Colleagues, it is a sad day because I have to announce that my chief of staff, whom many of you know, Chad Wing, is departing. We have worked together for just over eleven years, and he has done a tremendous job. He has a new

opportunity with Eastern Michigan University. I am excited for him but very sad to lose him. Chad has done a tremendous job for myself as a Representative and as a Senator and for the district and the state. He has also been a great friend.

I would like to, if I could, read just a portion of a tribute I have for him:

“LET IT BE KNOWN, That it is a great pleasure to extend this expression of our thanks and best wishes to Chad Wing upon the occasion of his departure from the office of Senator Tony Stamas. With the commitment he has given to our state, he has exhibited the highest standards of citizenship and unselfishness.

Originally hailing from Marion, Indiana, Mr. Wing came to Lansing via Fruitport, Michigan. After working for Representatives Allen Lowe and Al Kukuk, Chad began his eleven-year tenure with then-Representative Tony Stamas. Throughout all of his years working in the Legislature, Chad has devoted himself to helping maintain the liberties we have been blessed with in this great state.

Chad has been a constant presence on the chamber floor for seven years. With Chad on the job, legislators have always known whether a lunch was available. In times of great debate, when perhaps the Senate gavel was not enough, legislators could depend on Chad’s sneeze to restore order. However, Chad’s greatest Senate legacy may very well be the creating and implementation of ‘No-Tie Thursdays,’ which has become an integral part of the legislative process.”

Chad has done a tremendous job for my office, the district, and really for the citizens for the state of Michigan. He has always had a heart to help those who needed it.

“IN SPECIAL TRIBUTE, Therefore, This document is signed and dedicated to honor Mr. Chad Wing as he departs our office, but not our hearts. We express our deepest gratitude to Chad Wing for his undying desire to help the citizens of the 36th District. Chad is truly a credit to the state of Michigan. May the kindness and generosity he has sought to share with others be returned to him many times over.”

It is with my great thanks, appreciation, and sadness that I would ask you to help me in thanking Chad for the great job that he has done.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

#### **General Orders**

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

The motion prevailed, and the President pro tempore, Senator Richardville, designated Senator Jansen as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and, the President pro tempore, Senator Richardville, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bill:

#### **House Bill No. 4324, entitled**

A bill to amend 1919 PA 339, entitled “Dog law of 1919,” by amending section 6 (MCL 287.266), as amended by 2000 PA 438.

The bill 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. 800, entitled**

A bill to amend 1953 PA 181, entitled “An act relative to investigations in certain instances of the causes of death within this state due to violence, negligence or other act or omission of a criminal nature or to protect public health; to provide for the taking of statements from injured persons under certain circumstances; to abolish the office of coroner and to create the office of county medical examiner in certain counties; to prescribe the powers and duties of county medical examiners; to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and to prescribe a referendum thereon,” by amending section 5 (MCL 52.205), as amended by 2006 PA 569.

Substitute (S-3).

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

1. Amend page 5, following line 24, by inserting:

“(C) **THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANATOMICAL GIFTS MADE UNDER PART 101 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.10101 TO 333.25211.**”.

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

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

#### **Senate Bill No. 1013, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding sections 40110a and 43540d; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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. 757, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1278a, 1278b, and 1280 (MCL 380.1278a, 380.1278b, and 380.1280), section 1278a as amended by 2008 PA 316, section 1278b as amended by 2007 PA 141, and section 1280 as amended by 2006 PA 123, and by adding section 1278c.

Substitute (S-4).

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

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

**House Bill No. 4514, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "An act to meet deficiencies in state funds by providing for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment, and enforcement by lien and otherwise of taxes on or measured by net income; to prescribe the manner and time of making reports and paying the taxes, and the functions of public officers and others as to the taxes; to permit the inspection of the records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits and refunds of the taxes; to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act; to provide an appropriation; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 272 (MCL 206.272), as added by 2006 PA 372.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-7) the Senate substitute (S-3).

The House of Representatives has concurred in the Senate substitute (S-3) as substituted (H-7) and agreed to the full title.

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

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

Senators Scott, Kahn and Anderson asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Scott's statement is as follows:

The philosopher William James once said, "He who refuses to embrace a unique opportunity loses the prize as surely as if he had tried and failed." We have a unique opportunity to right a wrong. It is wrong to let insurance companies use anything but a person's driving record to determine their auto insurance rates. It is wrong to use a road as a dividing line and charge higher rates to families on one side of the road, and charge lower rates to families on the other side of that road.

There was a time when maybe some people could get away from high rates by selling their homes and moving into a different community. But people can't do that now in this economy and in this housing market. Selling your home to get better insurance rates is a pretty drastic step to take anyway.

So we have a unique opportunity to right this wrong and to bring fairness to our insurance system for all Michigan citizens. Fairness is all anyone wants, not a free ride, not to do away with insurance, and not to pay any less than their fair share.

We all just want fair, reasonable, affordable auto insurance. Let's not lose the prize of truly helping our constituents. Let's work on the legislation in our committees and solve this inequity before this legislative session ends in December.

I heard in the prayer this morning. We have ten months left, so in these ten months, let's get it done.

Senator Kahn's statement is as follows:

I rose yesterday to talk about the incredibly complex process involved with getting a drug approved for human consumption in the United States. Let me remind us all that it includes a triple review. All of this has to be done just to file an application. There is more.

Upon the filing of an application, the review team then decides on the completeness of that application and may ask, in fact, that a supplemental application be pursued or even a new original application be submitted.

Let's say that following all of this that the drug is, in fact, approved. Is that it? No. The process is still not over as there is post-marketing surveillance. This deals with adverse drug experience reports that are either serious or unexpected. The reports may include foreign experiences with the drug. That is, other countries or domestic experiences. This involves commercial marketing experiences, post-marketing clinical investigations, and epidemiological and surveillance studies.

The scientific literature must be submitted. That includes even unpublished papers. These reports include 15-day alert reports, yearly analysis of the 15-day reports, quarterly reports for three years after approval of the drug, and then annual reports forever.

Then there is the Application Integrity Policy (AIP). It looks at fraud, untrue statements of material facts, bribery, and illegal gratuities. Those interested can find it in the Federal Register at 56 FR 4691. Its focus is the integrity of the data and information in the application submitted to the FDA. Evidence of a pattern or practice of wrongful conduct that raises questions about the drug data reliability is looked for. If invoked, the review on all affected applications is stopped, and an independent and internal review is conducted. This is now the fourth review, and a corrective action plan is developed.

The FDA compliance branch performs a validity review. As a result of this, the sponsor may withdraw an application, or FDA may withdraw approval. This could include a drug recall or even seizure, injunction, or civil or criminal penalties. Of course, if there is nothing wrong, the Application Integrity Policy may be revoked.

This incredibly complex and thorough process with multiple checks and balances provides our people—the people of the United States and state of Michigan—with the safest and best drugs in the world, and this data is at the heart of what has come to be known as the FDA defense.

If a drug, after going through this process, is approved for sale, it is presumed safe unless there is fraud discovered in the application for the drug, new safety data is concealed, or the manufacturing of the drug is not up to the standard that I have described to you under which it was originally approved. Because of the clear, bias-free thoroughness of this expert process, Michigan in 1996 became a model for other states in passing product liability reform that reduces frivolous lawsuits.

It was said during the original budget hearings that we had this year by the Office of Management and Budget that this is a one-of-a-kind law. It has been said in this chamber multiple times. This law has been copied in Arizona, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, North Dakota, Utah, and there are others.

We do not need to further increase the cost of bringing drugs to market by grafting on to the FDA approval process further costs and research designed to deal with lawsuits.

Senator Anderson's statement is as follows:

The federally-funded Emergency Unemployment Compensation program that has provided additional assistance for unemployed workers is set to expire on February 28—just three days from now. If federal action to extend this program isn't taken by the end of this week, an estimated 500,000 unemployed Michigan workers could lose the unemployment benefits they have relied on to keep them afloat while they look for jobs.

Some Michigan workers would start to exhaust their benefits as early as March, with the rest seeing their benefits dry up by July. I hope that Washington will act swiftly to solve this problem, but we also need to be doing everything we can to address unemployment at the state level right now.

We could modernize the state's unemployment system to extend benefits to help workers who are learning new skills in state-approved training programs. This would also give us access to \$140 million in federal funding while helping workers prepare for jobs in emerging fields. These are our constituents struggling to find work. These are the people who supported us, voted for us, and put their trust in us. We can't let them down.

This bill was passed by the House last May and has been awaiting action from Senate leadership for nine months, while thousands of Michigan workers have continued to suffer. There is no more time to waste. We need to pass the unemployment extension bill now and extend this much-needed lifeline to Michigan worker.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

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

Senators Van Woerkom and Allen introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 1174, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 1311 (MCL 500.1311), as amended by 1994 PA 227.

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

Senator Cherry introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 1175, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 7524 (MCL 333.7524), as amended by 2006 PA 558.

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

Senator Cherry introduced

**Senate Bill No. 1176, entitled**

A bill to amend 1846 RS 83, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," by amending section 7 (MCL 551.7), as amended by 2008 PA 47.

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

Senators Kahn, Birkholz, Stamas and Richardville introduced

**Senate Bill No. 1177, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding part 317.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Jansen introduced

**Senate Bill No. 1178, entitled**

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

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

Senator Jansen introduced

**Senate Bill No. 1179, entitled**

A bill to amend 1947 PA 336, entitled "An act to prohibit strikes by certain public employees; to provide review from disciplinary action with respect thereto; to provide for the mediation of grievances and the holding of elections; to declare and protect the rights and privileges of public employees; and to prescribe means of enforcement and penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act," by amending sections 1 and 14 (MCL 423.201 and 423.214), section 1 as amended by 1999 PA 204.

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

**House Bill No. 5313, entitled**

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending section 2603 (MCL 339.2603), as amended by 1999 PA 170.

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 Economic Development and Regulatory Reform.

**House Bill No. 5470, entitled**

A bill 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 5b (MCL 28.425b), as amended by 2008 PA 406.

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

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

**House Bill No. 5471, entitled**

A bill 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 sections 5k and 5o (MCL 28.425k and 28.425o), section 5k as added by 2000 PA 381 and section 5o as amended by 2008 PA 407.

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

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

**House Bill No. 5472, entitled**

A bill 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 2 (MCL 28.422), as amended by 2008 PA 406.

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

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

**House Bill No. 5473, entitled**

A bill 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 12 (MCL 28.432), as amended by 2008 PA 195.

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

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

**House Bill No. 5520, entitled**

A bill 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 2a (MCL 28.422a), as amended by 2008 PA 194.

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

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

**House Bill No. 5566, entitled**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 381, entitled “Brownfield redevelopment financing act,” by amending sections 2 and 13 (MCL 125.2652 and 125.2663), section 2 as amended by 2007 PA 204 and section 13 as amended by 2007 PA 202.

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 Commerce and Tourism.

**House Bill No. 5811, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending section 205 (MCL 257.205), as amended by 1980 PA 398.

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

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

**Committee Reports**

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

**Senate Bill No. 727, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending sections 27a and 68 of chapter X (MCL 710.27a and 710.68), section 27a as added by 1994 PA 208 and section 68 as amended by 1994 PA 373.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Mark C. Jansen  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

**Senate Bill No. 1118, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending section 17 of chapter XII (MCL 712.17), as amended by 2006 PA 488.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Mark C. Jansen  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

**Senate Bill No. 1119, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending section 15 of chapter XII (MCL 712.15), as amended by 2006 PA 488.

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

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

Mark C. Jansen  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

**Senate Bill No. 1120, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending section 19b of chapter XIII (MCL 712A.19b), as amended by 2008 PA 199.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Mark C. Jansen  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.



## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Families and Human Services submitted the following:  
Meeting held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, at 2:30 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building  
Present: Senators Jansen (C), Hardiman and Jacobs

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism reported

**Senate Bill No. 1135, entitled**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2008 PA 495.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Jason E. Allen  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Nofs, Stamas and Hunter

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism submitted the following:  
Meeting held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, at 2:30 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building  
Present: Senators Allen (C), Nofs, Stamas and Hunter  
Excused: Senator Clarke

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Recreation submitted the following:  
Joint meeting held on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 1:37 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower  
Present: Senators Barcia (C), Allen and Prusi  
Excused: Senators McManus and Cropsey

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs submitted the following:  
Joint meeting held on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 1:45 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower  
Present: Senators Birkholz (C), Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Gleason

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Higher Education submitted the following:  
Joint meeting held on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 3:00 p.m., House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building  
Present: Senators Stamas (C), Hardiman, Kahn, Anderson and Brater  
Excused: Senators George and Barcia

**Scheduled Meetings**

**Appropriations** - Wednesday, March 3, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-6960)

**Subcommittees** -

**Capital Outlay** - Thursday, March 4, 9:00 a.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**Community Colleges** - Friday, February 26, 10:30 a.m., Muskegon Community College, Stevenson Center, Room 1100, 221 South Quarterline Road, Muskegon (CANCELED); Monday, March 1, 1:30 p.m., Schoolcraft Community College, VisTaTech Center, Sutherland Room, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia (373-2768)

**Community Health Department** - Thursdays, March 4 and March 11, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**Higher Education** - Monday, March 1, 10:00 a.m., Madonna University, Franciscan Center, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia; and Monday, March 8, 10:30 a.m., Ferris State University, Interdisciplinary Resource Center, 1301 South State Street, Big Rapids (373-2768)

**Judiciary and Corrections** - Tuesdays, March 2 and March 9, 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**K-12, School Aid, Education** - Tuesdays, March 2 and March 9, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Recreation** - Thursday, March 4, 1:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building (373-1777)

**Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** - Wednesday, March 3, 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-3447)

Senator Cropsey moved that the Senate adjourn.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:44 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Richardville, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI  
Secretary of the Senate