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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, February 12, 2014.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator Tonya Schuitmaker.

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

Ananich—present  
Anderson—present  
Bieda—present  
Booher—present  
Brandenburg—present  
Casperson—present  
Caswell—present  
Colbeck—present  
Emmons—present  
Green—present  
Gregory—present  
Hansen—present  
Hildenbrand—present

Hood—present  
Hopgood—present  
Hune—present  
Hunter—present  
Jansen—present  
Johnson—present  
Jones—present  
Kahn—present  
Kowall—present  
Marleau—present  
Meekhof—present  
Moolenaar—present  
Nofs—present

Pappageorge—present  
Pavlov—present  
Proos—present  
Richardville—present  
Robertson—present  
Rocca—present  
Schuitmaker—present  
Smith—present  
Walker—present  
Warren—present  
Whitmer—present  
Young—present

Senator Michael Green of the 31st District offered the following invocation:

Lord, we are so thankful for this beautiful day that You have given us. We are also thankful, Lord, for this beautiful place that we do our work in and, Lord, for the ability that we have to set policy and laws for our great state of Michigan. Lord, we are asking for wisdom this morning in all that we do not just today, but, Lord, in all the work that we do.

Give us wisdom so that we can know what You would have us to do. Also, Lord, we know everything that You have us do is great and the right thing. Lord, we only want to do what is right. We don't want to cause conflict and create controversy. Lord, we only want to do what is right, and we are asking You today to give us that wisdom so that we can do that.

Lord, as this year continues to go on, I pray that You would be with each one of us who is serving here, Lord, that Your word would be done in elections and everything else that we do this year.

Lord, we thank You for the many blessings that You have bestowed on each and every one of us every day. In Your name, we ask it all. Amen.

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

### Motions and Communications

Senators Ananich and Walker entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Meekhof moved that Senators Marleau and Pappageorge be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

The Secretary announced that the following House bill was received in the Senate and filed on Tuesday, February 11: **House Bill No. 5198**

The Secretary announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Tuesday, February 11, for his approval the following bill:

**Enrolled Senate Bill No. 475 at 2:25 p.m.**

### Messages from the Governor

Senator Meekhof moved that consideration of the following bill be postponed for today:

**Senate Bill No. 64**

The motion prevailed.

The following messages from the Governor were received:

Date: February 11, 2014  
Time: 12:24 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

**Enrolled Senate Bill No. 31 (Public Act No. 7), 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," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 2210a.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on February 11, 2014, at 3:31 p.m.)

Date: February 11, 2014  
Time: 12:26 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

**Enrolled Senate Bill No. 32 (Public Act No. 8), being**

An act to amend 1998 PA 386, entitled "An act to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify aspects of the law relating to wills and intestacy, relating to the administration and distribution of estates of certain individuals, relating to trusts, and relating to the affairs of certain individuals under legal incapacity; to provide for the powers and procedures of the court that has jurisdiction over these matters; to provide for the validity and effect of certain transfers, contracts, and deposits that relate to death; to provide procedures to facilitate enforcement of certain trusts; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 700.1101 to 700.8206) by adding section 7114.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on February 11, 2014, at 3:33 p.m.)

Date: February 11, 2014  
Time: 12:28 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

**Enrolled Senate Bill No. 255 (Public Act No. 9), being**

An act to amend 1972 PA 230, entitled "An act to create a construction code commission and prescribe its functions; to authorize the director to promulgate rules with recommendations from each affected board relating to the construction, alteration, demolition, occupancy, and use of buildings and structures; to prescribe energy conservation standards for the construction of certain buildings; to provide for statewide approval of premanufactured units; to provide for the testing of new devices, materials, and techniques for the construction of buildings and structures; to define the classes of buildings and structures affected by the act; to provide for administration and enforcement of the act; to create a state construction code fund; to prohibit certain conduct; to establish penalties, remedies, and sanctions for violations of the act; to repeal acts and parts of acts; and to provide an appropriation," by amending section 28 (MCL 125.1528), as amended by 1996 PA 48.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on February 11, 2014, at 3:35 p.m.)

Respectfully,  
Rick Snyder  
Governor

The following message from the Governor was received on February 11, 2014, and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER  
No. 2014-4

**Amendment of Executive Order No. 2014-1 and  
Executive Order No. 2014-3**

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the state of Michigan in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, under Section 4 of 1982 PA 191, MCL 10.84, during a declared State of Energy Emergency the Governor may by executive order suspend a statute, order, rule of a state agency, or specific provision of a statute, order, or rule if strict compliance with the statute, order, rule, or a specific provision of the statute, order, or rule will prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with an energy emergency; and

WHEREAS, based on the effects of the regional propane shortage and the polar vortex, Executive Order 2014-1 declared a State of Energy Emergency in this state beginning on January 10, 2014 and amended by Executive Order 2014-3 to extend the deadline to February 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has declared that a regional transportation emergency continues to exist in the highway transportation of propane and other home heating fuels throughout the Midwest Region of the United States (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin); and

WHEREAS, as a result of an Extension of the Declaration of Regional Emergency, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, acting pursuant to 49 CFR 390.23 and 390.25, has exempted motor carriers and drivers transporting propane, and other heating oil to and from the Midwest Region from 49 CFR Parts 390-399 to address emergency needs arising from the effects of the polar vortex and propane shortage. The exemption was effective from January 19, 2014 until February 11, 2014. On February 5, 2014 the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration extended the exemption to 11:59 p.m., CST, March 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, appropriate measures must be taken in Michigan to ensure that fuel supplies will remain sufficient and to assure the health, safety, and welfare of Michigan residents and visitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Snyder, Governor of the state of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order the following:

Executive Order 2014-3 is amended to extend the duration of the energy emergency and the waiver of regulations relating to motor carriers and drivers transporting propane and heating oil and remains in effect for the duration of the emergency or 11:59 p.m. EDT, Saturday, March 1, 2014, whichever is less.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 11th day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

Richard D. Snyder  
Governor

By the Governor:  
Ruth A. Johnson  
Secretary of State

The executive order was referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

### Messages from the House

#### Senate Bill No. 146, entitled

A bill to amend 1992 PA 147, entitled "Neighborhood enterprise zone act," by amending section 4 (MCL 207.774), as amended by 2010 PA 136.

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

Senator Meekhof moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The question being on the motion to give the bill immediate effect,

Senator Meekhof moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed for today.

The motion prevailed.

#### Senate Bill No. 396, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 34d (MCL 211.34d), as amended by 2012 PA 185.

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

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

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

Senators Marleau and Pappageorge entered the Senate Chamber.

**Senate Bill No. 581, entitled**

A bill to amend 1962 PA 60, entitled “An act to provide for the day parole of prisoners in county jails to permit them to be gainfully employed outside the jail or pursue other activities; to provide for the granting of reductions in terms of imprisonment and the regulation thereof; and to provide for the disposition of earnings from such employment,” by amending section 1 (MCL 801.251), as amended by 2012 PA 613.

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

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, Senator Meekhof moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed for today.

The motion prevailed.

**Senate Bill No. 319, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” (MCL 760.1 to 777.69) by adding section 32 to chapter IX.

Substitute (H-3).

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,

The substitute was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 15****Yeas—28**

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| Booher      | Hansen      | Kahn        | Pavlov       |
| Brandenburg | Hildenbrand | Kowall      | Proos        |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Marleau     | Richardville |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Meekhof     | Robertson    |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Moolenaar   | Rocca        |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Nofs        | Schuitmaker  |
| Green       | Jones       | Pappageorge | Walker       |

**Nays—10**

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| Ananich  | Gregory | Smith  | Whitmer |
| Anderson | Hood    | Warren | Young   |
| Bieda    | Hopgood |        |         |

**Excused—0****Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

The Senate agreed to the title as amended.

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

**Senate Bill No. 533, entitled**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 381, entitled “Brownfield redevelopment financing act,” by amending section 15a (MCL 125.2665a), as added by 2008 PA 154.

Substitute (H-1).

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,

The substitute was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 16****Yeas—37**

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| Ananich     | Hansen      | Kahn        | Richardville |
| Anderson    | Hildenbrand | Kowall      | Robertson    |
| Bieda       | Hood        | Marleau     | Rocca        |
| Booher      | Hopgood     | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker  |
| Brandenburg | Hune        | Moolenaar   | Smith        |
| Casperson   | Hunter      | Nofs        | Walker       |
| Caswell     | Jansen      | Pappageorge | Warren       |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Pavlov      | Whitmer      |
| Green       | Jones       | Proos       | Young        |
| Gregory     |             |             |              |

**Nays—1**

Colbeck

**Excused—0****Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,  
 The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
 The Senate agreed to the full title.  
 The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

**Third Reading of Bills**

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

**Senate Bill No. 719**  
**House Bill No. 4808**  
**Senate Bill No. 446**  
**Senate Bill No. 749**  
**Senate Bill No. 750**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 719, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 19612 (MCL 324.19612), as amended by 2012 PA 446.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 17****Yeas—38**

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| Ananich  | Gregory | Kahn   | Richardville |
| Anderson | Hansen  | Kowall | Robertson    |

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| Bieda       | Hildenbrand | Marleau     | Rocca       |
| Booher      | Hood        | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker |
| Brandenburg | Hopgood     | Moolenaar   | Smith       |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Nofs        | Walker      |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Pappageorge | Warren      |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Pavlov      | Whitmer     |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Proos       | Young       |
| Green       | Jones       |             |             |

**Nays—0**

**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4808, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending sections 16, 18, 200i, 204, 207, 209, 210, 211a, 316, 436, 520b, and 543f (MCL 750.16, 750.18, 750.200i, 750.204, 750.207, 750.209, 750.210, 750.211a, 750.316, 750.436, 750.520b, and 750.543f), sections 16 and 18 as amended by 2004 PA 213, sections 200i, 204, 207, 209, and 210 as amended by 2003 PA 257, section 211a as amended by 2004 PA 523, section 316 as amended by 2013 PA 39, section 436 as amended by 2002 PA 135, section 520b as amended by 2012 PA 372, and section 543f as added by 2002 PA 113.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 18**

**Yeas—35**

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| Ananich     | Green       | Jones       | Proos        |
| Anderson    | Gregory     | Kahn        | Richardville |
| Bieda       | Hansen      | Kowall      | Robertson    |
| Booher      | Hildenbrand | Marleau     | Rocca        |
| Brandenburg | Hopgood     | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker  |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Moolenaar   | Walker       |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Nofs        | Warren       |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Pappageorge | Whitmer      |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Pavlov      |              |

**Nays—3**

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| Hood | Smith | Young |
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**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,

The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to revise, consolidate, codify, and add to the statutes relating to crimes; to define crimes and prescribe the penalties and remedies; to provide for restitution under certain circumstances; to provide for the competency of evidence at the trial of persons accused of crime; to provide immunity from prosecution for certain witnesses appearing at criminal trials; to provide for liability for damages; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 446, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 22210 (MCL 333.22210), as amended by 2011 PA 51.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 19**

**Yeas—38**

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| Ananich     | Gregory     | Kahn        | Richardville |
| Anderson    | Hansen      | Kowall      | Robertson    |
| Bieda       | Hildenbrand | Marleau     | Rocca        |
| Booher      | Hood        | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker  |
| Brandenburg | Hopgood     | Moolenaar   | Smith        |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Nofs        | Walker       |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Pappageorge | Warren       |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Pavlov      | Whitmer      |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Proos       | Young        |
| Green       | Jones       |             |              |

**Nays—0**

**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 749, entitled**

A bill to amend 1985 PA 87, entitled “William Van Regenmorter crime victim’s rights act,” by amending section 31 (MCL 780.781), as amended by 2009 PA 28.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:



**Roll Call No. 20****Yeas—38**

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| Ananich     | Gregory     | Kahn        | Richardville |
| Anderson    | Hansen      | Kowall      | Robertson    |
| Bieda       | Hildenbrand | Marleau     | Rocca        |
| Booher      | Hood        | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker  |
| Brandenburg | Hopgood     | Moolenaar   | Smith        |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Nofs        | Walker       |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Pappageorge | Warren       |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Pavlov      | Whitmer      |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Proos       | Young        |
| Green       | Jones       |             |              |

**Nays—0****Excused—0****Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 750, entitled**

A bill to amend 1985 PA 87, entitled "William Van Regenmorter crime victim's rights act," by amending section 61 (MCL 780.811), as amended by 2009 PA 28.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 21****Yeas—38**

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| Ananich     | Gregory     | Kahn        | Richardville |
| Anderson    | Hansen      | Kowall      | Robertson    |
| Bieda       | Hildenbrand | Marleau     | Rocca        |
| Booher      | Hood        | Meekhof     | Schuitmaker  |
| Brandenburg | Hopgood     | Moolenaar   | Smith        |
| Casperson   | Hune        | Nofs        | Walker       |
| Caswell     | Hunter      | Pappageorge | Warren       |
| Colbeck     | Jansen      | Pavlov      | Whitmer      |
| Emmons      | Johnson     | Proos       | Young        |
| Green       | Jones       |             |              |

**Nays—0****Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Schuitmaker

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of  
**General Orders**

Senator Meekhof 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 Schuitmaker, designated Senator Hildenbrand as Chairperson.

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

**House Bill No. 5008, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending sections 623, 665, and 671 (MCL 206.623, 206.665, and 206.671), section 623 as amended by 2012 PA 414, section 665 as added by 2011 PA 38, and section 671 as amended by 2011 PA 313.

**House Bill No. 5010, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending sections 625 and 663 (MCL 206.625 and 206.663), section 625 as amended by 2011 PA 175 and section 663 as amended by 2011 PA 308.

**House Bill No. 5011, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 673 (MCL 206.673), as added by 2011 PA 181.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

**House Bill No. 5009, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 691 (MCL 206.691), as amended by 2012 PA 70.

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.

**Resolutions**

Senator Meekhof moved that consideration of the following resolution be postponed for today:

**Senate Resolution No. 34**

The motion prevailed.

The question was placed on the adoption of the following resolution consent calendar:

**Senate Resolution No. 117****Senate Resolution No. 118**

The resolution consent calendar was adopted.

Senator Hunter offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 117.**

A resolution of special tribute honoring George W. Jackson, Jr.

Whereas, George Jackson, Jr., has been president and CEO of the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (DEGC) since February of 2002. It is with deep appreciation for his diligence and dedication over the course of his exemplary career that we commend Mr. Jackson; and

Whereas, During Mr. Jackson's tenure, the DEGC has attracted national and international recognition for the success it has had negotiating major redevelopment deals, attracting and retaining businesses—especially in key industries that have high growth potential—and managing significant infrastructure projects that attract private investment and create a better environment for the people who live, work, or play in Detroit; and

Whereas, Prior to his appointment to the DEGC, Mr. Jackson worked for 27 years at DTE Energy, rising to the position of director of Customer Marketing. Under Mr. Jackson's leadership, the DTE Energy Economic Development Department gained national recognition and was a recipient of the *Site Selection* magazine Utility Economic Development Award; and

Whereas, Mr. Jackson has worked in the field of economic development since 1984, and he has played an influential role in the various economic development programs, initiatives, and organizations in the city of Detroit, southeastern Michigan, and the state of Michigan. He has also served as an advisor to many corporate, political, government, community, civic, and educational executives and leaders on economic development issues; and

Whereas, Under Mr. Jackson, the DEGC has led or played a key role in dozens of landmark projects, such as the Lower Woodward Improvement Program in connection with Superbowl XL; the transformation of the Detroit Riverfront from industrial to multiuse recreational, residential, and commercial—including negotiations for the remediation and redevelopment of the former Uniroyal Tire plant site; the restoration and renovation of the historic Book-Cadillac Hotel now known as the Westin Book Cadillac; the renovation of more than 100 vintage buildings; the attraction of new jobs and investment into the central business district, including Quicken Loans, General Motors, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan that account for most of the 25,000 new jobs and \$2.5 billion in investments since 2009; the Gateway Marketplace Shopping Center—the largest retail development in Detroit in 40 years; the successful negotiations that led to the establishment of the Cobo Hall Convention Center Regional Authority; and many others innovative programs that target and assist businesses in key sectors and improve the quality of life for Detroiters, such as the Green Grocer Project, SmartBuildings Detroit, Jefferson Avenue Retail Readiness, and Renewable Energy Detroit Initiative; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we join together to offer our most sincere and profound thanks to George W. Jackson, Jr., for his many years of service to the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation, the city of Detroit, and the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to George W. Jackson, Jr., as evidence of our highest esteem and best wishes in his retirement and future endeavors.

Senator Meekhof moved that rule 3.204 be suspended to name the entire membership of the Senate and the Lieutenant Governor as co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

Senator Hune offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 118.**

A resolution designating February 16-22, 2014, as Michigan Court Reporting and Captioning Week.

Whereas, For millennia, individuals have wanted the spoken word translated into text to record history and have relied on scribes to accomplish this task; and

Whereas, The profession of scribe was born with the rise of civilization; and

Whereas, In ancient Egypt, scribes were considered to be the literate elite, recording laws and other important documents and, since that time, have served as impartial witnesses to history; and

Whereas, Scribes were present with our nation's Founding Fathers as the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights were drafted; and

Whereas, President Lincoln entrusted scribes to record the Emancipation Proclamation; and

Whereas, Since the advent of shorthand machines, these scribes have been known as court reporters and have played a permanent and invaluable role in courtrooms across our country; and

Whereas, Court reporters and captioners are responsible for the closed-captioning seen scrolling across television screens, at sporting stadiums, and in other community and educational settings, bringing information to millions of deaf and hard-of-hearing Americans every day; and

Whereas, Court reporters and captioners translate the spoken word into text and preserve our history; and

Whereas, Whether called the scribes of yesterday or the court reporters and captioners of today, the individuals who preserve our nation's history are truly the guardians of the record; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we designate February 16-22, 2014, as Michigan Court Reporting and Captioning Week; and be it further

Resolved, That the Governor be urged to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the great state of Michigan to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and educational activities; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Association of Professional Court Reporters as a reflection of our esteem.

Senators Ananich, Bieda, Booher, Hood and Marleau were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

### Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Jones and Marleau introduced

**Senate Bill No. 783, entitled**

A bill to amend 2008 IL 1, entitled "Michigan medical marihuana act," by amending section 7 (MCL 333.26427). The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Senator Ananich introduced

**Senate Bill No. 784, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," (MCL 388.1601 to 388.1896) by adding section 260.

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

**House Bill No. 5198, entitled**

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled "Child protection law," by amending section 7 (MCL 722.627), as amended by 2011 PA 70.

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 Families, Seniors and Human Services.

### Committee Reports

#### COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Transportation submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at 12:30 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Casperson (C), Kowall, Brandenburg, Pavlov and Hansen

Excused: Senators Hood and Ananich

#### COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Energy and Technology submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Nofs (C), Proos, Jones, Marleau, Schuitmaker, Walker, Hopgood, Bieda and Young

#### COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Agriculture and Rural Development submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Green (C), Moolenaar and Hopgood

#### COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Human Services submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 8:00 a.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Caswell (C), Jansen, Proos and Gregory

### Scheduled Meetings

#### Appropriations -

##### Subcommittees -

**Agriculture and Rural Development** - Tuesdays, February 18 (CANCELED), February 25, March 11, March 18 and March 25, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**Community Colleges** - Wednesday, February 19, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Community Health Department** - Thursdays, February 13, 10:00 a.m.; February 20 and February 27, 1:30 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Corrections Department** - Thursdays, February 13, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor; February 27, 8:00 a.m., Room 405; March 6, March 13 and March 20, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**General Government** - Tuesday, February 18, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Higher Education** - Thursday, February 13, 1:00 p.m., Michigan State University, Union Building, Lake Huron Room, 49 Abbott Road, East Lansing; Thursday, February 20, 9:00 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building; and Thursday, February 27, 1:30 p.m., Grand Valley State University, DeVos Center, Loosemore Auditorium, 401 Fulton Street West, Grand Rapids (373-2768)

**Human Services Department** - Tuesdays, February 18 and February 25, 2:00 p.m., Room 405, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Judiciary** - Thursdays, February 27, March 6 and March 13, 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Department** - Thursday, February 13, 8:00 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**State Police and Military Affairs** - Thursdays, February 20, 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403; February 27, 3:00 p.m., Room 405; and March 6, March 13, March 27 and April 17, 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Transportation** - Tuesday, February 18, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Judiciary** - Tuesday, February 18, 2:30 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-5312)

**Michigan Law Revision Commission** - Thursday, February 13, 12:00 noon, Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-0212)

**Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes, Outdoor Recreation and Tourism, House Natural Resources and House Tourism** - Tuesday, February 18, 12:00 noon, House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-5312)

**Outdoor Recreation and Tourism, Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes, House Natural Resources and House Tourism** - Tuesday, February 18, 12:00 noon, House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-5312)

**Regulatory Reform** - Thursday, February 13, 1:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-5307)

Senator Meekhof moved that the Senate adjourn.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:33 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Schuitmaker, declared the Senate adjourned until Thursday, February 13, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI  
Secretary of the Senate

