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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Garlin D. Gilchrist II.

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

Albert—present  
Anthony—present  
Bayer—present  
Bellino—present  
Brinks—present  
Bumstead—present  
Camilleri—present  
Cavanagh—present  
Chang—present  
Cherry—present  
Daley—present  
Damoose—present  
Geiss—present

Hauck—present  
Hertel—present  
Hoitenga—present  
Huizenga—present  
Irwin—present  
Johnson—present  
Klinefelt—present  
Lauwers—excused  
Lindsey—present  
McBroom—present  
McCann—present  
McDonald Rivet—present  
McMorrow—present

Moss—present  
Nesbitt—present  
Outman—present  
Polehanki—present  
Runestad—present  
Santana—present  
Shink—present  
Singh—present  
Theis—present  
Victory—present  
Webber—present  
Wojno—present

Senator Mark E. Huizenga of the 30th District offered the following invocation:

Heavenly Father, today we are gathered in this building to do the work of the people. Lord, guide us as we do this work. Provide us with wisdom and discernment as we work to finalize the budget for this great state. Lord, help us to be mindful that these dollars which we appropriate are from the people, and that we spend these dollars in ways that will be pleasing to You.

We have all been honored to represent hundreds of thousands of people. Help us to remember our commitment to our districts and that the work we do here reflects the will of the people with Your blessing.

Guide us in all we do. Please guard over those who work to protect us each and every day—our public safety officers who have difficult jobs, give them guidance. Watch over our military service members serving us both domestically and abroad. Keep them safe.

It is in Your name that we pray. Amen.

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

### Motions and Communications

Senator Theis moved that Senator Nesbitt be temporarily excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Theis moved that Senator Lauwers be excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that Senators Anthony and Cherry be temporarily excused from today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Nesbitt entered the Senate Chamber.

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

June 20, 2023

Enclosed is a copy of the following report:

- Investigative audit on Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' Selected Contracting Practices Within the Lead Safe Home Principal Unit (922-DHHS-19).

Sincerely,  
Doug Ringler  
Auditor General

The audit report was referred to the Committee on Oversight.

The following communications were received:  
Office of Senator Mallory McMorrow

June 22, 2023

I request that my name be added as a co-sponsor to Senate Bill 406 which was introduced by Senator Anthony.

June 22, 2023

I request that my name be added as a co-sponsor to Senate Bill 407 which was introduced by Senator Cavanagh.

Sincerely,  
Senator Mallory McMorrow  
District 8

The communications were referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communication was received:  
Office of Senator Dayna Polehanki

June 22, 2023

Per Senate Rule 1.110(c) I am requesting that my name be added as co-sponsor to Senate Bills 406 and 407 which were introduced on June 27th, 2023.

Sincerely,  
Dayna Polehanki  
State Senator, District 5

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communication was received:  
Office of Senator Paul Wojno

June 22, 2023

Per Senate Rule 1.110(c), I am requesting that my name be added as a co-sponsor to Senate Bills 406 and 407 which were introduced on June 22, 2023, by Senators Anthony and Cavanagh.

Warmest regards,  
Paul Wojno  
State Senator  
10th District

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communications were received:  
State Budget Office

June 26, 2023

Transmitted under this cover is a schedule entitled "Statement of Revenue Subject to Constitutional Limitation - Legal Basis." The statement is submitted pursuant to Sections 18.1350(a) through 18.1350(e) of the Michigan Compiled Laws for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with Article 9, Sections 26 and 33 of the Michigan Constitution for the fiscal year 2022.

The statement has been reviewed by the Office of the Auditor General and a copy of the independent accountant's review is enclosed.

If you have questions regarding this report, please contact Heather Boyd, Director, Office of Financial Management, at (517) 241-4010.

June 26, 2023

This letter transmits the "Statement of the Proportion of Total State Spending From State Sources Paid to Units of Local Government - Legal Basis" for fiscal year 2022, which has been prepared in accordance with Sections 18.1115(5), 18.1303-18.1305, 18.1349, 18.1350, 18.1497, and 18.1498 of the Michigan Compiled Laws for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with Article 9, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution.

The statement has been reviewed by the Office of the Auditor General and a copy of their independent accountant's review letter is enclosed.

If you have questions regarding this report, please contact Heather Boyd, Director, Office of Financial Management, at (517) 241-4010.

Sincerely,  
Christopher M. Harkins  
State Budget Director

The communications were referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communication was received:  
Department of State Police

June 26, 2023

Pursuant to MCL 500.6111, attached is the biennial report on the Impact of Automobile Theft on Auto Insurance Rates, compiled by the Auto Theft Prevention Authority.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

F/Lt. Nicole McGhee  
Government Relations Section  
Office of the Director

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communication was received:  
Office of Senator Rosemary Bayer

June 27, 2023

Per Senate Rule 1.110(c), I am requesting that my name be added as a co-sponsor to Senate Bill 406 and Senate Bill 407 by Senator Sarah Anthony and Senator Mary Cavanagh on June 27th, 2023.

Sincerely,  
Rosemary K. Bayer  
13th Senate District  
State Senator

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The following communication was received:  
Office of Senator Sylvia Santana

June 27, 2023

Please add my name as co-sponsor of Senate Bills 407 and 408. Please feel free to contact my office at [senssantana@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:senssantana@senate.michigan.gov) or 517-373-0990, if you have any questions. I appreciate your attention in this matter.

Respectfully,  
Sylvia A. Santana  
State Senator  
District 2

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

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

Senator Anthony entered the Senate Chamber.

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

The motion prevailed, and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, designated Senator Huizenga as Chairperson.

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

**House Bill No. 4437, entitled**

A bill to make, supplement, adjust, and consolidate appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the judicial branch, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024; to provide for certain conditions on appropriations; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

Substitute (S-1).

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

During the Committee of the Whole, Senator Cherry entered the Senate Chamber.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of  
**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bill, now on Third Reading of Bills, be placed on its immediate passage:

**House Bill No. 4437**

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

Senator Singh moved that the Committee on Elections and Ethics be discharged from further consideration of the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4696, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 11d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.11d), as amended by 2018 PA 661.

**House Bill No. 4697, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 761d (MCL 168.761d), as amended by 2022 PA 195.

**House Bill No. 4699, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 509aa and 811 (MCL 168.509aa and 168.811), section 509aa as amended by 2012 PA 270 and section 811 as amended by 2018 PA 603, and by adding sections 6, 759e, 759f, and 759g.

**House Bill No. 4702, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as amended by 2012 PA 270.

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

Senator Singh moved that the Committee on Housing and Human Services be discharged from further consideration of the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4616, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," (MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106) by adding section 901a.

**House Bill No. 4617, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," by amending section 100a (MCL 330.1100a), as amended by 2020 PA 402.

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

Senator Singh moved that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure be discharged from further consideration of the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4153, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for

the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by adding section 11j.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:11 a.m.

10:18 a.m.

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

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4437**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4437, entitled**

A bill to make, supplement, adjust, and consolidate appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the judicial branch, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024; to provide for certain conditions on appropriations; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

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. 380**

**Yeas—20**

Anthony	Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno

**Nays—17**

Albert	Hauck	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hoitenga	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Daley	Johnson	Outman	Webber
Damoose			

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:21 a.m.

11:24 a.m.

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

Senator Singh moved that rule 2.106 be suspended to allow committees to meet during Senate session.  
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Messages from the House**

**House Bill No. 4437, entitled**

A bill to make, supplement, adjust, and consolidate appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the judicial branch, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024; to provide for certain conditions on appropriations; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

The House of Representatives has nonconcurred in the Senate substitute (S-1) and appointed Representatives Witwer, O’Neal and Lightner as conferees.

The message was referred to the Secretary for record.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

**Introduction and Referral of Bills**

Senators Irwin, Cavanagh, Chang, Geiss, McMorrow and Bayer introduced

**Senate Bill No. 408, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” by amending sections 2807, 4011, 4015, 4031, 4061a, 6023, 6027, 6059, and 6104 (MCL 600.2807, 600.4011, 600.4015, 600.4031, 600.4061a, 600.6023, 600.6027, 600.6059, and 600.6104), section 2807 as added by 2004 PA 136, section 4011 as amended and section 4061a as added by 1994 PA 346, and section 6023 as amended by 2012 PA 553, and by adding sections 4001a, 4032, 4033, 6001a, 6023b, 6023c, 6023d, 6023e, 6023f, 6023g, and 6023h.

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

Senators Cavanagh, Irwin, McMorrow, Chang, Geiss and Bayer introduced

**Senate Bill No. 409, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” by amending section 5451 (MCL 600.5451), as amended by 2012 PA 451.

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

Senators Irwin, Bayer, Cavanagh, Chang, Geiss, McMorrow and Polehanki introduced

**Senate Bill No. 410, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” by amending section 2946 (MCL 600.2946), as amended by 1995 PA 249.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Senators Lauwers, Hertel, Cherry, Daley and Hoytenga introduced

**Senate Bill No. 411, entitled**

A bill to amend 1995 PA 279, entitled “Horse racing law of 1995,” by amending sections 2, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 20a, and 22 (MCL 431.302, 431.308, 431.309, 431.310, 431.312, 431.314, 431.317, 431.318, 431.319, 431.320, 431.320a, and 431.322), sections 2, 10, 12, 14, and 18 as amended by 2016 PA 271 and sections 8, 9, 17, 19, 20, and 22 as amended and section 20a as added by 2019 PA 153; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Senators Hertel, Cherry, Lauwers, Daley and Hoytenga introduced

**Senate Bill No. 412, entitled**

A bill to amend 2019 PA 152, entitled “Lawful internet gaming act,” by amending section 15 (MCL 432.315).

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

Senators Cherry, Hertel, Lauwers and Daley introduced

**Senate Bill No. 413, entitled**

A bill to amend 2019 PA 149, entitled “Lawful sports betting act,” by amending section 15 (MCL 432.415).

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

Senators Cherry, Hertel, Lauwers, Daley and Hoytenga introduced

**Senate Bill No. 414, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 90, entitled “An act to regulate the conducting of racing meets in the state of Michigan; to provide for the possession, control and disposition of funds held by licensees for the payment of outstanding winning tickets not claimed or demanded by the lawful owners of such funds; and to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act,” by amending section 2 (MCL 431.252), as amended by 1998 PA 505.

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

Senators Klinefelt, Chang, McMorrow and Geiss introduced

**Senate Bill No. 415, entitled**

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled “General sales tax act,” by amending sections 12 and 18 (MCL 205.62 and 205.68), as amended by 2022 PA 3.

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

Senators Klinefelt, Chang, McMorrow and Geiss introduced

**Senate Bill No. 416, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled “Use tax act,” by amending sections 14a and 14b (MCL 205.104a and 205.104b), as amended by 2022 PA 4.

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



Senator Singh introduced

**Senate Bill No. 417, entitled**

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending section 44c (MCL 125.1444c), as amended by 2012 PA 345.

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

**House Bill No. 4066, entitled**

A bill to create the Michigan high-speed internet office; to prescribe the powers and duties of the Michigan high-speed internet office; to allow the provision of grants and other financial and technical assistance related to broadband and digital infrastructure; and to provide the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities.

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 Energy and Environment.

**House Bill No. 4132, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 907 and 909 (MCL 257.907 and 257.909), section 907 as amended by 2023 PA 40 and section 909 as amended by 2000 PA 94, and by adding sections 2c, 627c, and 907a.

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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

**House Bill No. 4133, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” by amending section 8379 (MCL 600.8379), as amended by 2000 PA 93.

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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

**House Bill No. 4293, entitled**

A bill to amend 1921 PA 352, entitled “An act to prohibit the marriage of a person under 16 years of age and to declare the marriage void,” by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 551.51), as amended by 1983 PA 198.

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 Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

**House Bill No. 4294, entitled**

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled “An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 551.103), as amended by 2006 PA 578.

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4295, entitled**

A bill to amend 1897 PA 180, entitled “An act to provide for the issuance of marriage licenses and certificates without publicity in certain cases; and to provide criminal and civil penalties for violation of this act,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.201), as amended by 1983 PA 199.

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4296, entitled**

A bill to amend 1919 PA 160, entitled “An act to release legally married minors from parental control and to determine their marital rights and duties,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.251).

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4297, entitled**

A bill to amend 1998 PA 386, entitled “Estates and protected individuals code,” by amending sections 2519, 5103, 5204, 5206, and 5215 (MCL 700.2519, 700.5103, 700.5204, 700.5206, and 700.5215), section 2519 as amended by 2010 PA 325, section 5103 as amended by 2016 PA 483, section 5204 as amended by 2005 PA 204, and section 5215 as amended by 2020 PA 365.

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 Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

**House Bill No. 4298, entitled**

A bill to amend 2018 PA 434, entitled “Safe families for children act,” by amending section 5 (MCL 722.1555).

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 Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

**House Bill No. 4299, entitled**

A bill to amend 2001 PA 125, entitled “An act to define the rights and responsibilities of hotels and bed and breakfasts with respect to renting or leasing hotel or bed and breakfast rooms to minors,” by amending section 4 (MCL 427.304).

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4300, entitled**

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled “Of divorce,” by amending section 34 (MCL 552.34), as amended by 1983 PA 211.

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4301, entitled**

A bill to amend 1968 PA 293, entitled “An act to establish the status of minors; to define the rights and duties of parents; to establish rights and duties to provide support for a child after the child reaches the age

of majority under certain circumstances; and to establish the conditions for emancipation of minors,” by amending sections 4 and 4e (MCL 722.4 and 722.4e), section 4 as amended by 1998 PA 509 and section 4e as added by 1988 PA 403.

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 Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

**House Bill No. 4302, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending sections 520d, 520e, and 520f (MCL 750.520d, 750.520e, and 750.520f), sections 520d and 520e as amended by 2012 PA 372 and section 520f as amended by 1988 PA 138.

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.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4317, entitled**

A bill to provide for the establishment of solar energy districts in certain local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax on the owners or lessees of certain qualified facilities; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officials.

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 Energy and Environment.

**House Bill No. 4318, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending sections 9 and 9f (MCL 211.9 and 211.9f), section 9 as amended by 2011 PA 290 and section 9f as amended by 2017 PA 261.

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 Energy and Environment.

**House Bill No. 4343, entitled**

A bill to amend 2005 PA 244, entitled “Deferred presentment service transactions act,” by amending section 51 (MCL 487.2171).

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

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

**House Bill No. 4377, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled “Use tax act,” by amending section 4d (MCL 205.94d), as amended by 2015 PA 172.

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

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

**House Bill No. 4378, entitled**

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled “General sales tax act,” by amending section 4g (MCL 205.54g), as amended by 2015 PA 171.

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

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

**House Bill No. 4454, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 120, entitled “An act to authorize the development or redevelopment of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to permit the creation of certain boards; to provide for the operation of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to provide for the creation, operation, and dissolution of business improvement zones; and to authorize the collection of revenue and the bonding of certain local governmental units for the development or redevelopment projects,” by amending sections 10g, 10h, 10j, 10k, and 10l (MCL 125.990g, 125.990h, 125.990j, 125.990k, and 125.990l), as amended by 2020 PA 91.

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

The bill was read a first and second time by title.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

**House Bill No. 4561, entitled**

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “Michigan liquor control code of 1998,” by amending section 609h (MCL 436.1609h), as added by 2022 PA 225.

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 Regulatory Affairs.

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 11:34 a.m.

11:39 a.m.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Motions and Communications**

The following communications were received and read:

Office of the Senate Majority Leader

June 27, 2023

I appoint Senator Anthony, Senator McCann, and Senator Bumstead to join Representative Witwer, Representative O’Neal, and Representative Lightner as conferees for HB 4437.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

June 27, 2023

I appoint Senator Sarah Anthony as conferee for SB 173 replacing Senator Dayna Polehanki.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Winnie Brinks

Senate Majority Leader

The communications were referred to the Secretary for record.

The President pro tempore, Senator Moss, assumed the Chair.

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of General Orders, be placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

**House Bill No. 4696**

**House Bill No. 4697**

**House Bill No. 4699****House Bill No. 4702****House Bill No. 4616****House Bill No. 4617****House Bill No. 4153**

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

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

Senator Singh 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 Moss, designated Senator Huizenga as Chairperson.

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

**House Bill No. 4696, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 11d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.11d), as amended by 2018 PA 661.

**House Bill No. 4697, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 761d (MCL 168.761d), as amended by 2022 PA 195.

**House Bill No. 4699, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 509aa and 811 (MCL 168.509aa and 168.811), section 509aa as amended by 2012 PA 270 and section 811 as amended by 2018 PA 603, and by adding sections 6, 759e, 759f, and 759g.

**House Bill No. 4702, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as amended by 2012 PA 270.

**House Bill No. 4616, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," (MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106) by adding section 901a.

**House Bill No. 4617, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," by amending section 100a (MCL 330.1100a), as amended by 2020 PA 402.

**House Bill No. 4153, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds,

and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by adding section 11j.

**House Bill No. 4496, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending sections 105b and 109f (MCL 400.105b and 400.109f), section 105b as added by 2007 PA 100 and section 109f as amended by 2017 PA 224; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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. 4495, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending sections 105d and 106 (MCL 400.105d and 400.106), section 105d as amended by 2018 PA 208 and section 106 as amended by 2018 PA 511; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

Substitute (S-2).

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

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage:

**House Bill No. 4495**

**House Bill No. 4496**

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4495**

**House Bill No. 4496**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4495, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending sections 105d and 106 (MCL 400.105d and 400.106), section 105d as amended by 2018 PA 208 and section 106 as amended by 2018 PA 511; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

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

**Roll Call No. 381**

**Yeas—25**

Anthony	Daley	Irwin	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	Klinefelt	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McCann	Shink
Camilleri	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Cavanagh	Hertel	McMorrow	Webber
Chang	Huizenga	Moss	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—12**

Albert	Hoitenga	McBroom	Runestad
Bellino	Johnson	Nesbitt	Theis
Bumstead	Lindsey	Outman	Victory

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Moss

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

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

“An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

**Protests**

Senators Albert, Victory and Theis, under their constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of House Bill No. 4495.

Senator Albert moved that the statement he made during the discussion of the bill be printed as his reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Albert’s statement, in which Senators Victory and Theis concurred, is as follows:

Our state expanded Medicaid roughly a decade ago through the Healthy Michigan plan. This expansion was done with bipartisan support because it included some common-sense guardrails for the program. Measures were put in place to help ensure the program’s stability, including provisions that require participants to share costs and mechanisms that would allow the state to end the program if the cost eventually outweighed the savings. This helped reduce uncompensated care and also incentivized personal responsibility and preventative care.

The legislation before us today takes many of these guardrails out of the program. It removes many of the current provisions related to cost-sharing and it eliminates the trigger that would allow the state to end the program if federal funding for it went away or if the program no longer makes financial sense. Medicaid and similar programs are necessary to provide a safety net and help those who need help the most, but these programs are meant to help people temporarily, not forever. These changes in this legislation would strip away incentives for recipients to become more financially independent and move away from Medicaid coverage when possible. Taking away incentives to move out of poverty is never a good thing, and it certainly should not be celebrated.

It also promotes reliance on big government. The changes before us today promote big government as much—if not more—than healthcare. In early 2014, roughly 1.8 million Michiganders were in the state’s various Medicaid and children’s health insurance programs combined. In February of this year, the number has ballooned above 3 million. Obviously Michigan’s Medicaid expansion from a decade ago played a large part in this number increasing, but the more recent trends are not good. At least 500,000 more Michiganders are on Medicaid now than before the pandemic. That is just a couple of years, and in that time Michigan’s overall population has dropped.

I am all for a safety net, but that is not what our current welfare state offers. It offers dependency rather than independence. There is no reason why able-bodied adults who are capable of self-sufficiency should be prevented from a path of contributing to their community. There is a dignity one gains through earning a living and being responsible to others. Our welfare state misses this fact of our human nature and assumes people will be satisfied as long as their material wants and needs are met. We have over 60 years of experience to show this is not the case. In the places where the highest rates of government dependence are seen, we see poor results in student achievement, higher crime rates, and most ironically, greater poverty.

This bill moves our welfare state in the wrong direction. For these reasons I cannot support this legislation and I encourage my colleagues to vote “no.”

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4496, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled “The social welfare act,” by amending sections 105b and 109f (MCL 400.105b and 400.109f), section 105b as added by 2007 PA 100 and section 109f as amended by 2017 PA 224; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

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

**Roll Call No. 382**

**Yeas—25**

Anthony	Daley	Irwin	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	Klinefelt	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McCann	Shink
Camilleri	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Cavanagh	Hertel	McMorrow	Webber
Chang	Huizenga	Moss	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—12**

Albert	Hoitenga	McBroom	Runestad
Bellino	Johnson	Nesbitt	Theis
Bumstead	Lindsey	Outman	Victory



**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: Moss

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

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

“An act to protect the welfare of the people of this state; to provide general assistance, hospitalization, infirmary and medical care to poor or unfortunate persons; to provide for compliance by this state with the social security act; to provide protection, welfare and services to aged persons, dependent children, the blind, and the permanently and totally disabled; to administer programs and services for the prevention and treatment of delinquency, dependency and neglect of children; to create a state department of social services; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department; to provide for the interstate and intercounty transfer of dependents; to create county and district departments of social services; to create within certain county departments, bureaus of social aid and certain divisions and offices thereunder; to prescribe the powers and duties of the departments, bureaus and officers; to provide for appeals in certain cases; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state department with respect to county and district departments; to prescribe certain duties of certain other state departments, officers, and agencies; to make an appropriation; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess until 1:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:03 p.m.

The Senate reconvened at the expiration of the recess and was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of General Orders, be placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

**House Bill No. 4294**

**House Bill No. 4295**

**House Bill No. 4296**

**House Bill No. 4299**

**House Bill No. 4300**

**House Bill No. 4302**

**House Bill No. 4454**

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**General Orders**

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

The motion prevailed, and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, designated Senator Huizenga as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4202, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 520 $\bar{l}$  (MCL 750.520 $\bar{l}$ ), as amended by 1988 PA 138.

**House Bill No. 4299, entitled**

A bill to amend 2001 PA 125, entitled “An act to define the rights and responsibilities of hotels and bed and breakfasts with respect to renting or leasing hotel or bed and breakfast rooms to minors,” by amending section 4 (MCL 427.304).

**House Bill No. 4300, entitled**

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled “Of divorce,” by amending section 34 (MCL 552.34), as amended by 1983 PA 211.

**House Bill No. 4454, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 120, entitled “An act to authorize the development or redevelopment of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to permit the creation of certain boards; to provide for the operation of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to provide for the creation, operation, and dissolution of business improvement zones; and to authorize the collection of revenue and the bonding of certain local governmental units for the development or redevelopment projects,” by amending sections 10g, 10h, 10j, 10k, and 10 $\bar{l}$  (MCL 125.990g, 125.990h, 125.990j, 125.990k, and 125.990 $\bar{l}$ ), as amended by 2020 PA 91.

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. 4294, entitled**

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled “An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 551.103), as amended by 2006 PA 578.

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:

**House Bill No. 4295, entitled**

A bill to amend 1897 PA 180, entitled “An act to provide for the issuance of marriage licenses and certificates without publicity in certain cases; and to provide criminal and civil penalties for violation of this act,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.201), as amended by 1983 PA 199.

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:

**House Bill No. 4296, entitled**

A bill to amend 1919 PA 160, entitled “An act to release legally married minors from parental control and to determine their marital rights and duties,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.251).

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:

**House Bill No. 4302, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending sections 520d, 520e, and 520f (MCL 750.520d, 750.520e, and 750.520f), sections 520d and 520e as amended by 2012 PA 372 and section 520f as amended by 1988 PA 138.

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. 293, entitled**

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending sections 58, 58b, and 58c (MCL 125.1458, 125.1458b, and 125.1458c), sections 58 and 58c as amended by 2008 PA 216 and section 58b as amended by 2008 PA 244.

Substitute (S-1).

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage:

**House Bill No. 4202**

**House Bill No. 4294**

**House Bill No. 4295**

**House Bill No. 4296**

**House Bill No. 4299**

**House Bill No. 4300**

**House Bill No. 4302**

**House Bill No. 4454**

**Senate Bill No. 293**

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bill:

**House Bill No. 4362**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4362, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” by amending section 471 (MCL 206.471), as amended by 2011 PA 38, and by adding section 474.

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. 383****Yeas—30**

Anthony	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	McCann	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McMorrow	Singh
Camilleri	Hertel	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Irwin	Outman	Wojno
Cherry	Johnson		

**Nays—7**

Albert	Hoitenga	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Lindsey	Runestad	

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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 meet deficiencies in state funds by providing for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment, reporting, payment, and enforcement by lien and otherwise of taxes on or measured by net income and on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; 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 acts and parts of acts,”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

**Protests**

Senators Albert and Theis, under their constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of House Bill No. 4362.

Senator Albert moved that the statement he made during the discussion of the bill be printed as his reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Albert’s statement, in which Senator Theis concurred, is as follows:

I will begin my “no” vote explanation by stating that I am an organ donor and I will also state that organ donation is a very good thing and it clearly saves lives. As a state, we have a very well-established and functional process for becoming an organ donor. Could this process be improved? I agree, it probably could, because generally speaking, it is impossible to find a perfectly-run government program. But this legislation folding the Department of Treasury into the process is not the way to improve the program. I look at this

proposal through a different lens than most because I was an employee of the Department of Treasury before joining the Legislature. That gives me a unique perspective. I understand this legislation may have good intentions, but the process it suggests is ridiculous.

It reminds me of recently watching my young children play with sticks in the back yard. I was amazed at the number of different ways these sticks could transform through their imagination. These sticks became predictable swords and walking canes, to the more original magic wands and musical instruments. All of which was amusing to watch, but it is altogether less amusing to watch adults act in the same manner but using Michigan’s state departments in place of sticks.

State departments have clearly-defined roles for a reason. Departments separate functions based on what is logical and efficient. You can’t simply imagine a state department into something it is not. The reason why we have organ donation run through the Secretary of State’s office is because there is a logical connection. If one is in a tragic and sudden life-ending accident, it is likely they will have their state ID or driver’s license in their possession. It makes perfect sense, therefore, to display a person’s organ donor status on their driver’s license and to have the Department of State control the donor registry. You can sign up for it when you get or renew a driver’s license, then you can carry that identification right with you. Looping in another state department into this process does not make sense. If we’re going to venture into new territory, why limit ourselves to Treasury? What could be next? Include a mandate that the Department of Natural Resources present organ donation sign up as an option when reserving a state campsite? Require a state trooper ask if you want to join the registry at all traffic stops? Need an environmental permit from EGLE? Sign up as an organ donor.

If the goal here is to increase the number of organ donors and make it easier for them to register, I support that goal, but there’s a better way to do it. Work within the system that has already been created. Do more to market the easy ways to sign up that are already available such as the anytime online registry, or the already-available means at the Secretary of State offices. Another possible option to expand signup opportunities would be when people renew their vehicle registrations which happens every year through the Secretary of State. Administering organ donation is outside the function of the Department of Treasury. Let’s keep this valuable program where it belongs.

This bill proposal does a terrific job illustrating how Democrats have an insatiable appetite to grow government regardless of there being a justifiable need. I am more than willing to support proposals that will improve our current organ donor registry but I will only do so if Democrats come up with an alternative proposal that doesn’t needlessly grow the size of government or cast new responsibilities on our state departments which are outside their established purpose.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4363, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 10105 and 10120 (MCL 333.10105 and 333.10120), section 10105 as amended and section 10120 as added by 2008 PA 39.

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. 384**

**Yeas—30**

Anthony	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	McCann	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McMorrow	Singh
Camilleri	Hertel	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Irwin	Outman	Wojno
Cherry	Johnson		

**Nays—7**

Albert	Hoitenga	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Lindesty	Runestad	

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

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

“An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4364, entitled**

A bill to amend 1941 PA 122, entitled “An act to establish the revenue collection duties of the department of treasury; to prescribe its powers and duties as the revenue collection agency of this state; to prescribe certain powers and duties of the state treasurer; to establish the collection duties of certain other state departments for money or accounts owed to this state; to regulate the importation, stamping, and disposition of certain tobacco products; to provide for the transfer of powers and duties now vested in certain other state boards, commissions, departments, and offices; to prescribe certain duties of and require certain reports from the department of treasury; to provide procedures for the payment, administration, audit, assessment, levy of interests or penalties on, and appeals of taxes and tax liability; to prescribe its powers and duties if an agreement to act as agent for a city to administer, collect, and enforce the city income tax act on behalf of a city is entered into with any city; to provide an appropriation; to abolish the state board of tax administration; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to declare the effect of this act,” by amending section 28 (MCL 205.28), as amended by 2017 PA 215.

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. 385**

**Yeas—30**

Anthony  
Bayer  
Bellino

Daley  
Damoose  
Geiss

Klinefelt  
McCann  
McDonald Rivet

Polehanki  
Santana  
Shink

Brinks  
Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang  
Cherry

Hauck  
Hertel  
Huizenga  
Irwin  
Johnson

McMorrow  
Moss  
Nesbitt  
Outman

Singh  
Victory  
Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—7**

Albert  
Bumstead

Hoitenga  
Lindsey

McBroom  
Runestad

Theis

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

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

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 1:53 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

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

**Senate Bill No. 35, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled “The social welfare act,” by amending section 10d (MCL 400.10d), as added by 2012 PA 79.

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.

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was not concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the full title.

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

**Senate Bill No. 50, entitled**

A bill to amend 1865 PA 124, entitled “An act to designate the holidays to be observed in acceptance and payment of bills of exchange, bank checks and promissory notes, the business of banking, savings and loan, building and loan, municipal offices, the holding of courts and relative to the continuance of suits,” by amending sections 1 and 2 (MCL 435.101 and 435.102), section 1 as amended by 1984 PA 4.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.  
Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

**Senate Bill No. 66, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding sections 1508 and 1526b.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 67, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 90 (MCL 750.90).

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 68, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 16d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16d), as amended by 2016 PA 88.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 69, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 16279 and 16279a.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 70, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 13n of chapter XVII (MCL 777.13n), as amended by 2018 PA 583.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.



**Senate Bill No. 71, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 16213, 20175, 20175a, and 20199 (MCL 333.16213, 333.20175, 333.20175a, and 333.20199), sections 16213 and 20175a as added and section 20175 as amended by 2006 PA 481, and by adding sections 16213a, 16429, 17029, 17529, 17829, 17909, and 20175b.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-2) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-2), ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 386**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 72, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 13n of chapter XVII (MCL 777.13n), as amended by 2018 PA 583.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 73, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” by amending section 13 (MCL 15.243), as amended by 2021 PA 33.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 125, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled “An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by adding section 11i.

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

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

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 387****Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis

Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang  
Cherry

Huizenga  
Irwin  
Johnson

Moss  
Nesbitt  
Outman

Victory  
Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bill:  
**Senate Bill No. 137**  
The motion prevailed.

**Senate Bill No. 137, entitled**

A bill to amend 2008 PA 260, entitled “Guardianship assistance act,” by amending sections 5, 5a, 5b, and 6 (MCL 722.875, 722.875a, 722.875b, and 722.876), section 5 as amended by 2009 PA 15 and sections 5a, 5b, and 6 as amended by 2015 PA 227.

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.

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.

**Senate Bill No. 138, entitled**

A bill to amend 2008 PA 260, entitled “Guardianship assistance act,” by amending sections 2, 3, and 4 (MCL 722.872, 722.873, and 722.874), section 2 as amended by 2022 PA 210, section 3 as amended by 2015 PA 227, and section 4 as amended by 2019 PA 95.

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.

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.

**Senate Bill No. 161, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending sections 1526, 1531, 1531d, 1531j, and 1531k (MCL 380.1526, 380.1531, 380.1531d, 380.1531j, and 380.1531k), section 1526 as amended by 1995 PA 289, section 1531 as amended by 2018 PA 235, section 1531d as added by 2003 PA 18, and sections 1531j and 1531k as amended by 2018 PA 234.

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.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 388**

**Yeas—36**

Albert	Cherry	Johnson	Outman
Anthony	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	Lindsey	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McBroom	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McCann	Singh
Bumstead	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Theis
Camilleri	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Victory
Cavanagh	Huizenga	Moss	Webber
Chang	Irwin	Nesbitt	Wojno

**Nays—1**

Runestad

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 162, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending section 1233 (MCL 380.1233), as amended by 2021 PA 149.

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.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 389**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
 The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 164, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 120, entitled “An act to authorize the development or redevelopment of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to permit the creation of certain boards; to provide for the operation of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to provide for the creation, operation, and dissolution of business improvement zones; and to authorize the collection of revenue and the bonding of certain local governmental units for the development or redevelopment projects,” by amending sections 10, 10b, 10c, 10e, 10f, 10g, 10h, 10j, 10k, and 10l (MCL 125.990, 125.990b, 125.990c, 125.990e, 125.990f, 125.990g, 125.990h, 125.990j, 125.990k, and 125.990l), as amended by 2020 PA 91.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-2) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-2), ordered that it be given immediate effect and amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1961 PA 120, entitled “An act to authorize the development or redevelopment of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to permit the creation of certain boards; to provide for the operation of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to provide for the creation, operation, and dissolution of business improvement zones; and to authorize the collection of revenue and the bonding of certain local governmental units for the development or redevelopment projects,” by amending sections 10, 10b, 10c, 10e, and 10f (MCL 125.990, 125.990b, 125.990c, 125.990e, and 125.990f), as amended by 2020 PA 91.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 390****Yeas—22**

Anthony	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Bayer	Daley	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Brinks	Geiss	McMorrow	Singh
Camilleri	Hertel	Moss	Webber
Cavanagh	Irwin	Polehanki	Wojno
Chang	Klinefelt		

**Nays—15**

Albert	Hauck	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hoitenga	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Damoose	Johnson	Outman	

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion did not prevail, 2/3 of the members serving not 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.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Shink's statement is as follows:

I rise today to speak to Senate Bill No. 164, which would eliminate a provision requiring zone plans to allocate assessments based on the benefit to assessable property within the BIZ. Since passing the Senate the first time, I've worked to address some of the concerns voiced by my colleagues across the aisle by reinstating the requirement that money paid to the treasurer be first applied to their taxes before the zone. I have addressed a specific concern voiced by my colleagues. I ask that all of my colleagues join me in voting "yes" on this legislation.

**Senate Bill No. 236, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 520a (MCL 750.520a), as amended by 2014 PA 64.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 288, entitled**

A bill to amend 2012 PA 615, entitled “Michigan energy assistance act,” by repealing section 6 (MCL 400.1236), as amended by 2019 PA 87.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 289, entitled**

A bill to amend 1996 PA 381, entitled “Brownfield redevelopment financing act,” by amending sections 2, 8a, 11, 13, 13b, 13c, 14a, 15, and 16 (MCL 125.2652, 125.2658a, 125.2661, 125.2663, 125.2663b, 125.2663c, 125.2664a, 125.2665, and 125.2666), section 2 as amended by 2022 PA 178, sections 8a and 11 as amended by 2017 PA 46, sections 13, 13b, 15, and 16 as amended by 2020 PA 259, and sections 13c and 14a as amended by 2021 PA 138.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-4) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-4), ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 391**

**Yeas—25**

Anthony	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bayer	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Camilleri	Huizenga	McMorrow	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Webber
Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki	Wojno
Damoose			

**Nays—12**

Albert	Chang	Johnson	Outman
Bellino	Daley	Lindsey	Runestad
Bumstead	Hoitenga	Nesbitt	Theis

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

**Senate Bill No. 326, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 2 (MCL 205.92), as amended by 2023 PA 21.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 359, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1250 (MCL 380.1250), as amended by 2018 PA 601.

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 Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion did not prevail, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Singh moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was not given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed.

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

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:36 p.m.

2:44 p.m.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4294**

**House Bill No. 4295**

**House Bill No. 4296**

**House Bill No. 4299**

**House Bill No. 4300**

**House Bill No. 4302**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4294, entitled**

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending section 3 (MCL 551.103), as amended by 2006 PA 578.



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. 392**

**Yeas—31**

Albert	Chang	Irwin	Polehanki
Anthony	Cherry	Johnson	Santana
Bayer	Daley	Klinefelt	Shink
Bellino	Damoose	McCann	Singh
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Victory
Bumstead	Hauck	McMorrow	Webber
Camilleri	Hertel	Moss	Wojno
Cavanagh	Huizenga	Nesbitt	

**Nays—6**

Hoitenga	McBroom	Runestad	Theis
Lindsey	Outman		

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4295, entitled**

A bill to amend 1897 PA 180, entitled "An act to provide for the issuance of marriage licenses and certificates without publicity in certain cases; and to provide criminal and civil penalties for violation of this act," by amending section 1 (MCL 551.201), as amended by 1983 PA 199.

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. 393**

**Yeas—34**

Albert	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Daley	McBroom	Santana
Bayer	Damoose	McCann	Shink
Bellino	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Brinks	Hauck	McMorrow	Theis
Bumstead	Hertel	Moss	Victory

Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang

Huizenga  
Irwin  
Johnson

Nesbitt  
Outman

Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—3**

Hoitenga

Lindsey

Runestad

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4296, entitled**

A bill to amend 1919 PA 160, entitled “An act to release legally married minors from parental control and to determine their marital rights and duties,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.251).

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. 394**

**Yeas—37**

Albert  
Anthony  
Bayer  
Bellino  
Brinks  
Bumstead  
Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang  
Cherry

Daley  
Damoose  
Geiss  
Hauck  
Hertel  
Hoitenga  
Huizenga  
Irwin  
Johnson

Klinefelt  
Lindsey  
McBroom  
McCann  
McDonald Rivet  
McMorrow  
Moss  
Nesbitt  
Outman

Polehanki  
Runestad  
Santana  
Shink  
Singh  
Theis  
Victory  
Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4299, entitled**

A bill to amend 2001 PA 125, entitled “An act to define the rights and responsibilities of hotels and bed and breakfasts with respect to renting or leasing hotel or bed and breakfast rooms to minors,” by amending section 4 (MCL 427.304).

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. 395**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4300, entitled**

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled “Of divorce,” by amending section 34 (MCL 552.34), as amended by 1983 PA 211.

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. 396**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad

Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.  
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.  
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4302, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending sections 520d, 520e, and 520l (MCL 750.520d, 750.520e, and 750.520l), sections 520d and 520e as amended by 2012 PA 372 and section 520l as amended by 1988 PA 138.

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. 397**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage:

**House Bill No. 4153**

**House Bill No. 4616**

**House Bill No. 4617**

**House Bill No. 4696**

**House Bill No. 4697**

**House Bill No. 4699**

**House Bill No. 4702**

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

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:57 p.m.

4:12 p.m.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bills:

**House Bill No. 4202**

**House Bill No. 4454**

**House Bill No. 4153**

**House Bill No. 4696**

**House Bill No. 4697**

**House Bill No. 4699**

**House Bill No. 4702**

**Senate Bill No. 293**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4202, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 520/ (MCL 750.520/), as amended by 1988 PA 138.

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. 398**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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:

**House Bill No. 4454, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 120, entitled “An act to authorize the development or redevelopment of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to permit the creation of certain boards; to provide for the operation of principal shopping districts and business improvement districts; to provide for the creation, operation, and dissolution of business improvement zones; and to authorize the collection of revenue and the bonding of certain local governmental units for the development or redevelopment projects,” by amending sections 10g, 10h, 10j, 10k, and 10l (MCL 125.990g, 125.990h, 125.990j, 125.990k, and 125.990l), as amended by 2020 PA 91.

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. 399**

**Yeas—22**

Anthony	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Bayer	Daley	McDonald Rivet	Shink

Brinks  
Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang

Geiss  
Hertel  
Irwin  
Klinefelt

McMorrow  
Moss  
Polehanki

Singh  
Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—15**

Albert  
Bellino  
Bumstead  
Damoose

Hauck  
Hoitenga  
Huizenga  
Johnson

Lindsey  
McBroom  
Nesbitt  
Outman

Runestad  
Theis  
Victory

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4153, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled “An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by adding section 11j.

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. 400**

**Yeas—37**

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—0**

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4696, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 11d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.11d), as amended by 2018 PA 661.

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. 401**

**Yeas—29**

Albert	Damoose	Klinefelt	Outman
Anthony	Geiss	McBroom	Polehanki
Bayer	Hauck	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Huizenga	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Nesbitt	Wojno
Cherry			



**Nays—8**

Bellino  
Bumstead

Daley  
Hoitenga

Lindsey  
Runestad

Theis  
Victory

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

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

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4697, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 761d (MCL 168.761d), as amended by 2022 PA 195.

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. 402**

**Yeas—28**

Anthony  
Bayer  
Brinks  
Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang  
Cherry

Damoose  
Geiss  
Hauck  
Hertel  
Huizenga  
Irwin  
Johnson

Klinefelt  
McBroom  
McCann  
McDonald Rivet  
McMorrow  
Moss  
Nesbitt

Outman  
Polehanki  
Santana  
Shink  
Singh  
Webber  
Wojno

**Nays—9**

Albert	Daley	Lindsey	Theis
Bellino	Hoitenga	Runestad	Victory
Bumstead			

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

“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.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4699, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending sections 509aa and 811 (MCL 168.509aa and 168.811), section 509aa as amended by 2012 PA 270 and section 811 as amended by 2018 PA 603, and by adding sections 6, 759e, 759f, and 759g.

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. 403****Yeas—27**

Anthony	Geiss	McBroom	Polehanki
Bayer	Hauck	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Huizenga	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Nesbitt	Wojno
Cherry	Klinefelt	Outman	

**Nays—10**

Albert	Daley	Lindsey	Theis
Bellino	Damoose	Runestad	Victory
Bumstead	Hoitenga		

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

“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.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4702, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as amended by 2012 PA 270.

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. 404**

**Yeas—31**

Albert	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	McBroom	Santana
Bayer	Geiss	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hertel	McMorrow	Victory
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Webber
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Wojno
Chang	Johnson	Outman	

**Nays—6**

Bellino	Hoitenga	Runestad	Theis
Daley	Lindsey		

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

“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,”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 293, entitled**

A bill to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled “State housing development authority act of 1966,” by amending sections 58, 58b, and 58c (MCL 125.1458, 125.1458b, and 125.1458c), sections 58 and 58c as amended by 2008 PA 216 and section 58b as amended by 2008 PA 244.

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. 405**

**Yeas—25**

Anthony	Damoose	McCann	Santana
Bayer	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Outman	Webber
Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki	Wojno
Cherry			

**Nays—12**

Albert	Daley	Johnson	Nesbitt
Bellino	Hauck	Lindsey	Runestad
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McBroom	Theis

**Excused—1**

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

**Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess until 6:30 p.m.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 4:24 p.m.

The Senate reconvened at the expiration of the recess and was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist.

### **Recess**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 6:31 p.m.

6:38 p.m.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of  
**Motions and Communications**

Senator Theis moved that Senator Hoyenga be excused from the balance of today's session.  
The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow the guest of Senator Bellino admittance to the Senate floor.  
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Committee Reports, be placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

**Senate Bill No. 280**

**Senate Bill No. 287**

**Senate Bill No. 384**

**House Bill No. 4317**

**House Bill No. 4318**

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

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

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

The motion prevailed, and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, designated Senator Huizenga as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

**Senate Bill No. 287, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 10401.

**Senate Bill No. 384, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding sections 3406z, 3901a, and 4002.

**House Bill No. 4317, entitled**

A bill to provide for the establishment of solar energy districts in certain local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax on the owners or lessees of certain qualified facilities; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officials.

**House Bill No. 4318, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending sections 9 and 9f (MCL 211.9 and 211.9f), section 9 as amended by 2011 PA 290 and section 9f as amended by 2017 PA 261.

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:

**Senate Bill No. 280, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 9316 (MCL 333.9316), as added by 2020 PA 261.

Substitute (S-1).

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage:

**Senate Bill No. 280**

**Senate Bill No. 287**

**Senate Bill No. 384**

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bills:

**Senate Bill No. 280**

**Senate Bill No. 287**

**Senate Bill No. 384**

**House Bill No. 4616**

**House Bill No. 4617**

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 280, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 9316 (MCL 333.9316), as added by 2020 PA 261.

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. 406**

**Yeas—30**

Anthony	Daley	McBroom	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	McCann	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McMorrow	Singh
Camilleri	Hertel	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Irwin	Outman	Wojno
Cherry	Klinefelt		

**Nays—6**

Albert Bumstead	Johnson Lindsey	Runestad	Theis
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**Excused—2**

Hoitenga	Lauwers
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**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 287, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 10401.

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. 407**

**Yeas—36**

Albert	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Daley	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Damoose	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hertel	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno

**Nays—0**

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga	Lauwers
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**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 384, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding sections 3406z, 3901a, and 4002.

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. 408**

**Yeas—35**

Albert	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Daley	Lindsey	Santana
Bayer	Damoose	McBroom	Shink
Bellino	Geiss	McCann	Singh
Brinks	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Theis
Bumstead	Hertel	McMorrow	Victory
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Webber
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Wojno
Chang	Johnson	Outman	

**Nays—1**

Runestad

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4616, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled “Mental health code,” (MCL 330.1001 to 330.2106) by adding section 901a.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Bellino offered the following amendments:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after “**901a.**” by inserting “(1)”.
2. Amend page 1, following line 6, by inserting:

**“(2) A referral for an individual under 18 years of age for sterilizing surgery or sterilizing drugs is prohibited. As used in this subsection, “sterilizing” means a medical procedure, treatment, or operation for the sole purpose of rendering an individual permanently incapable of reproducing and not related to the repair of a damaged or dysfunctional body part.”.**

The question being on the adoption of the amendments,

Senator Theis requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendments were not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:



**Roll Call No. 409**

**Yeas—16**

Albert	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Daley	Johnson	Outman	Webber

**Nays—20**

Anthony	Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga	Lauwers
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**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Hoytenga offered the following amendments:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after “**901a.**” by inserting “(1)”.
2. Amend page 1, following line 6, by inserting:

**“(2) A mental health professional must obtain written permission from a child’s parent or guardian before performing counseling that addresses the child’s view of his or her sexual orientation or gender identity.”.**

The question being on the adoption of the amendments,

Senator Theis requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendments were not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 410**

**Yeas—16**

Albert	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Daley	Johnson	Outman	Webber

**Nays—20**

Anthony	Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga                      Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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. 411****Yeas—21**

Anthony	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Geiss	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Huizenga	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno
Chang			

**Nays—15**

Albert	Damoose	McBroom	Theis
Bellino	Hauck	Nesbitt	Victory
Bumstead	Johnson	Outman	Webber
Daley	Lindsey	Runestad	

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga                      Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

“An act to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to mental health; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials and certain private agencies and individuals; to regulate certain agencies and facilities providing mental health or substance use disorder services; to provide for certain charges and fees; to establish civil admission procedures for individuals with mental illness, substance use disorder, or developmental disability; to establish guardianship procedures for individuals with developmental disability; to establish procedures regarding individuals with mental illness, substance use disorder, or developmental disability who are in the criminal justice system; to provide for penalties and remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

Senators Bellino and McMorrow asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Bellino’s statement is as follows:

Mr. President, during committee testimony, we heard from the bill sponsor that licensed mental health professionals must be utilizing reputable practices to treat their patients. We also heard that the reason we need to eliminate what we all recognize as conversion therapy is because it’s an unproven theory and lacks a credible evidence-based approach, and the use of which is damaging, dangerous and harmful toward our youth. Peer-reviewed studies were also cited, confirming the negative impacts on mental and physical health of the patients in this practice.

It is that thought process that led me to this amendment. Practices, procedures and treatments that have no basis in science and are still unproven in the scientific community should not be used on our children. For example, earlier this month, the National Health Service of England passed on the use of puberty-blocking drugs, and used them only in clinical trials, as the agency reasoned there is not enough evidence to support their safety or clinical effectiveness as a routine available treatment. Health entities in Finland, Sweden, Norway and even the French Academy of Medicine have urged the same caution, recommending this type of treatment needs more evidence. I feel it would be reasonable for us to take the same route. Follow the science, and put a pause on referral of any sterilizing treatment for minors. I ask my colleagues for support of my amendment, so we can put a pause on these scientifically unproven procedures that are being performed on our children, often with irreversible, harmful consequences. Thank you.

Senator McMorrow’s statement is as follows:

I rise to ask my colleagues to vote “no” on this amendment because it is not germane to the bill before us. The bill before us merely adds the definition of conversion therapy to the state Mental Health Code as it relates to talk therapy and licensed counselors, not medical professionals.

The following bill was read a third time:

**House Bill No. 4617, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled “Mental health code,” by amending section 100a (MCL 330.1100a), as amended by 2020 PA 402.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Lindsey offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 6, line 12, after “**identity.**” by inserting “**Conversion therapy does not include a mental health professional discussing with a minor the minor’s biological sex at birth.**”.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment,

Senator Theis requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 412**

**Yeas—16**

Albert	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Daley	Johnson	Outman	Webber

**Nays—20**

Anthony	Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga                      Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Damoose offered the following substitute:

Substitute (S-1).

The question being on the adoption of the substitute,

Senator Theis requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The substitute was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

**Roll Call No. 413****Yeas—16**

Albert	Damoose	Lindsey	Runestad
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Theis
Bumstead	Huizenga	Nesbitt	Victory
Daley	Johnson	Outman	Webber

**Nays—20**

Anthony	Chang	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Cherry	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga                      Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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. 414****Yeas—21**

Anthony	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Geiss	McCann	Santana

Brinks  
Camilleri  
Cavanagh  
Chang

Hertel  
Huizenga  
Irwin

McDonald Rivet  
McMorrow  
Moss

Shink  
Singh  
Wojno

**Nays—15**

Albert  
Bellino  
Bumstead  
Daley

Damoose  
Hauck  
Johnson  
Lindsey

McBroom  
Nesbitt  
Outman  
Runestad

Theis  
Victory  
Webber

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga

Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

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

“An act to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to mental health; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials and certain private agencies and individuals; to regulate certain agencies and facilities providing mental health or substance use disorder services; to provide for certain charges and fees; to establish civil admission procedures for individuals with mental illness, substance use disorder, or developmental disability; to establish guardianship procedures for individuals with developmental disability; to establish procedures regarding individuals with mental illness, substance use disorder, or developmental disability who are in the criminal justice system; to provide for penalties and remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

**Protests**

Senators Albert, Daley, Runestad and Theis, under their constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of House Bill Nos. 4616 and 4617.

Senator Albert moved that the statement he made during the discussion of House Bill No. 4617 be printed as his reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Albert’s statement, in which Senators Daley, Runestad and Theis concurred, is as follows:

As I begin my explanation of why I am a “no” on this bill, I want to acknowledge that this is a very sensitive topic. My opposition is not directed toward any person or any group of people. While I will not shy away from seeking the truth, I will strive to treat others the same way that I would want to be treated. We should all have a common goal in ensuring legislation that passes this chamber is rooted in what is true and good for our great state. It’s important we look at the actual language of this legislation and what would actually happen if it becomes law. I would argue that the short description of this bill as “prohibiting conversion therapy” is just partially true at best and incredibly misleading at worst.

House Bill No. 4616 adds the following language to Michigan’s Mental Health Code: “A mental health professional shall not engage in conversion therapy with a minor. A mental health professional who violates this section is subject to disciplinary action and licensing sanctions as provided under...” and then goes on to list various sections of the Public Health Code.

The companion bill, House Bill No. 4617, adds the following definition of “conversion therapy” to Michigan’s Mental Health Code: “‘Conversion therapy’ means any practice or treatment by a mental health professional that seeks to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender identity, including, but not limited to, efforts to change behavior or gender expression or to reduce or eliminate sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward an individual of the same gender. Conversion therapy does not include counseling that provides assistance to an individual undergoing a gender transition, counseling that provides acceptance, support, or understanding of an individual or facilitates an individual’s coping, social support, or identity exploration and development, including sexual orientation-neutral intervention to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices, as long as the counseling does not seek to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender identity.”

The label “prohibiting conversion therapy” is a misleading description of these bills. A better description would be “State-Mandated Ideology of Human Sexuality.” This legislation does far more to advance certain gender ideologies than it does to prohibit conversion therapy.

The first glaring problem with this legislation is that it limits the ability of a mental health professional to do their job. It substantially limits mental health providers to one set of actions. Under this proposal, when a minor walks into a mental health professional’s office and they say they want to transition into another gender, the mental health provider is limited to only one response, Okay. I suppose the next logical question would be, Do you want to start with hormone blockers, or should we jump right to a double mastectomy? It says right in the definition that “conversion therapy does not include counseling that provides assistance to an individual undergoing a gender transition...as long as the counseling does not seek to change the individual’s gender identity.” Whatever the child wants to be they shall be and there shall be no conversation by the mental health professional otherwise.

How is this for the good of the child? The common justification used to support a gender transition is that it reduces the risk of suicide. However, this assertion is not universally accepted in the scientific community, and it ignores the long-term effects, both mentally and physically, of making elective and permanent adjustments to one’s own body. The stories of those who in fact de-transition are heartbreaking and the struggles they endure are compounded by their original decision to transition. These so-called “treatments” have life-long consequences. To name a few—physical scarring, damaging of one’s endocrine system, or possibly even jeopardizing the ability for these children to have children of their own later in life. It is just astounding that we would use the force of state law to pigeonhole mental health professionals into carrying out such drastic medical treatments for children who have their whole life ahead of them.

The second issue is this legislation gives contradictory mandates to mental health professionals. What is a mental health professional supposed to do when somebody wants to de-transition? I suppose by the letter of the law the only answer again is, Okay. Imagine a scenario where an indecisive young kid is wavering on what to do and in the course of a single conversation, they may go back and forth on what they really want. In this situation, under the legislation, the mental health professional is really just a spectator. What good is their license to practice mental health if they can only prescribe one method of treatment? Make a suggestion outside of the pre-determined outcome and there will be disciplinary action or maybe even a loss of one’s license. Where is the wisdom in this type of policy? Our children need adults to provide guidance based on what is in their best interest and, as any parent knows, at times sound judgement must be used to prevent children from making a mistake.

This leads us to the third and potentially the most profound problem—the potential exclusion of parents from this entire process. I say this because of Proposal 3, which was approved last November. Proposal 3 states “Every individual has a fundamental right to reproductive freedom” and in the list of enumerated reproductive rights is sterilization. Furthermore, it is likely a large number of treatments for gender identity could be classified as reproductive freedom. And since this new constitutional language gives this right to every individual without limiting it to certain age groups, and since this bill would require mental health professionals to comply with a minor’s request without obstacle, the door is wide open for treatment to commence without parental involvement. Both this bill and Proposal 3 are vague enough to permit such a situation to occur, and it is deeply troubling.

I will end with this thought. When these kids come looking for guidance, they should receive it. This bill does more harm than good because it hinders the ability for mental health professionals to be impartial.

Senators McBroom and Bellino, under their constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of Senate Bill No. 4617.

Senator McBroom moved that the statement he made during the discussion of the bill be printed as his reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator McBroom's statement, in which Senator Bellino concurred, is as follows:

As we have seen in other debates regarding such issues, sensitivity and compassion should not be disregarded. Nor should a clear understanding of historical beliefs; both the beliefs and the out-working of those beliefs. Clearly society, and even the church, have failed to show compassion and empathy to people struggling with issues of sexual identity. And as I detailed here in a previous speech, those in the positions of power often found it convenient to simply be dismissive and even cruel with little justification or even cognizance.

However, these failures and indiscretions do not excuse us from careful consideration now. Sympathy with those previously treated badly, immorally, and without kindness does not necessitate that we also unmoor ourselves from the morality and social order that has stood for millennia. We should not so easily dismantle or alter the foundation of the most basic unit of civilization: the family. Nor should we envision ourselves as somehow so much more enlightened than the understanding of all persons, societies, religions, government, educated and uneducated, of there being two immutable genders or sexes should be simply wiped away by a vote and a signature with less than a decade of serious debate or discussion.

Truly, these bills propose to restrict those in medicine, psychiatry and otherwise from even being able to practice their art unless they commit to restricting their actions and prescriptions to this recent, novel set of precepts. How can we accept such a limitation on those who have been professionally trained and are involved in continuing education? Especially while the theories and considerations of such issues are so new? How do we know that we are right? What science have we attached and what peer reviewed studies have been produced that have withstood the tests of real-world application for any significant amount of time?

Some would dismiss these concerns as attempting to hold on to past practices and treatments that are now found to be cruel and dangerous. But these bills don't stop at simply banning treatments like electro-shock therapy. Instead, the bills seek to even dictate how a doctor must affirm a person's self-identified sex and even promote what may not be true or in the best interests of the patient. Essentially, it is as if we are telling doctors that every lung issue may only be diagnosed as cancer; every cough must be strep; every headache must receive migraine treatment. These would be ludicrous mandates for us to place on the medical community.

But the ludicrous nature of this proposal doesn't end there. The prescribed treatments that are permitted after the mandated diagnosis is even more astounding. Medications that will permanently alter the natural development of the body and the mind. Surgeries that remove and permanently alter the body of the patient in ways more shocking than any amputation of a limb or organ. These operations so alter the body and very nature of the person as to only be comparable to a lobotomy. Truly, such gender reassignments are so new, so novel, so serious, and so little understood that our successors of the future will only be able to understand them by placing them in the same categories of blood-letting, phrenology, lobotomies, and other practices now held in derision as barbarism of those who did not understand, while having the best of intentions. How can these things be so readily accepted as to offer this degree of protection when someone saying that they no longer wish to have their eyes, or their ears, or their fingers, or a leg would quickly be considered to be having a mental health crisis?

For a moment, let us entertain two premises: mental health conditions exist, and people can be confused in their mental health condition. The other premise: that people may be able to be a sex other than the one they are born with. Let's consider those two possible realities coexisting. Even if we grant both of those premises as existing, we are now taking away from the doctors the ability to distinguish between the two upon presentation. They will no longer have the ability to say, It's this one this time; it's this one the other time. It's always going to be, This diagnosis.

Perhaps these things could be tolerated and lived with if one key issue wasn't included. That is the mandate that children be permitted to seek these so-called affirming care treatments and that they be able to do them without parental involvement or consent. The proponents are genuine in their concern: children would be hindered by parents from receiving what they believe is essential to their very lives by parents who may or may not mean very well. They believe these transitions must not be hindered because, by their very nature, they're curative of a life-threatening condition.

This harbors a certain logic that we should pause to consider. This means that somehow, the human condition, in its very foundation, has been physically corrupted, or altered, or evolved to allow persons to be born into bodies that do not conform with their biological sex. This might have occurred long ago and been suppressed, or it might be a recent change, but it's clearly not the condition that we see across any other species in creation that utilizes sexual reproduction. This is a diagnosis—this is an idea of incredible importance to all of humanity. It is of such import as to require profound proofs and diligent consideration before embarking on what would be, if we are wrong, nothing short of mass medical malpractice and mutilation leading to the destruction of individual lives and of the bedrocks of civilization.

So, what is this debate telling us? Where is the medical community? Have they really, in a simple matter of less than ten years, convinced every notable institution and government that such change to human DNA has occurred? Is there widespread acceptance with no concerns? Are the outcomes seen by such changes all good with no regrets or serious complications? If this situation is truly the outcome of an alteration of the human condition and not an outcome of society's practices or the persistence of a social contagion, then it ought to solve massive problems to the greater ease and joy of society.

Contrary to what is reported in US media and amongst advocates, these issues are far from settled in society or science. Many doctors and psychiatrists are raising alarms over the danger of transition therapies and surgeries. They raise the alarm over the harmful effects of the medications, particularly on children. And society has clearly not widely accepted these changes nor finished debating them. As the practice has begun to have time, numerous individuals have come forward expressing their personal regrets for having participated in these practices. And yet, numerous media and public officials attempt to stifle their perspectives, even their compelling personal stories. Even certain books and mainstream medical opinions about the issue are stymied or censored from bookshelves and forums. Doctors and medicine have a long history of debate, disagreement, and even error. How can this debate over this issue of such enormous significance to all of humanity be taken seriously if those with outside opinions, opinions that are outside of what is politically popular at the moment, are stifled?

Ultimately, I believe we must seriously engage on this question. Has what we have always believed about sex and human life been suddenly found to be completely wrong? Are all the encyclopedias, sex education books, studies, medicine, and lessons all suddenly overnight wrong and we have to rewrite them? In my home, I have encyclopedias from 1980 and you can look up "sex" and it describes two sexes, based on the biological characteristics and what they are. And you can look these things up. Are they suddenly simply wrong? What is the likelihood of this happening, and how can we enter it without due consideration of the price we're going to pay? I am reminded again of a certain saying that I've said here before, Let us break their chains and throw off their shackles. Along with another, that I will modify for decorum, Darn the torpedoes, full speed ahead.

So, what are the consequences of accepting such a new paradigm of sex? Aside from the earlier mentions of permanent changes to the bodies of individuals, the loss of their ability to reproduce—which is a problem our society can ill afford presently—it severely impacts the role and responsibility of parents, deeming them to be inferior in their rights to raise children. It supplants their ability, according to the conscience of them as parents, and replaces it with the determination of the state. We are exchanging the idea that parents teach children their ideas and worldviews, understanding that eventually the child may accept or reject them, and we are exchanging that with the idea that science has now disproved those parents' ideas and that the government can suppress those ideas when it is convenient to them and they believe the parents are in error. This can sound good, right? No one will ever believe in flat Earth again, no one will believe the moon is made of cheese, no one will believe in racism ever again, no one will believe the moon landing is fake. However, this flies in the face of the very fundamentals of our nation, and really the foundation of any society that believes parents may raise their own children. And the examples from history that we can follow from the progression of this thought lead to ugly results of the state taking children from their parents to re-educate them, or more accurately to indoctrinate them.

What is even more profoundly troubling is that this new way of thinking is forcing us to sexualize our children. From time immemorial we have sheltered children from the burdens that come with sex. It is indeed a serious consideration and so much so that we cover magazines, rate movies, restrict web sites, age-limit clubs, give permission slips for classes, give added penalties to crimes, and force registration on perpetrators. Society looks down on sexual crimes against children as the basest and vilest of behaviors. We argue about the age when it is appropriate to even begin discussions on education of sex, and we rightly debate the age for marriage and consent. How then can we so blithely allow all of this sheltering to be upended? Is society prepared to teach children that everything about their lives is tied to sex, their genitals, and their predilections? And is no behavior, no choice, and no act to be wrong or harmful to society? Or is everything beneficial? Is everything right?

If it is true that a person is trapped and suffering a malady of being a sex other than the one they are born as, it is understandable, but what if it's wrong? And, even if it is true, how will we distinguish between those who are genuine versus those who are suffering with another mental health issue, or who are simply caught up in a rebellion against their parents, or are in a misguided attempt to provide support to a close friend? These bills forbid doctors, counselors, and others to even suggest that such might be occurring.

Growing up is hard. Society, especially children, lay huge burdens on those who are not in accord with the local norms. Sex in particular is very challenging for adolescents as the timing of development and desire for acceptance while struggling with clumsy bodies and surging hormones occurs. It takes perseverance and support to learn our peers' opinions don't really matter and that we can be who we are, as a man or as a woman, regardless of what society seeks to impose on us as its stereotypes. Stereotypes about sex and sex



roles, along with political and religious teachings add to the confusion. It used to be that Dr. Spock assured us that boys could play with dolls and still be boys. We have passed many laws and programs for equal access for women. Now, all this appears to be for naught as sex becomes devoid of any boundaries or meaning and playing with dolls must now indicate that a complete change is necessary. We are literally mandating that it is wrong to provide conversion therapy to a person who no longer desires to have same-sex attraction while at the same time mandating to counsel someone to change their sex if they want to. How can we tolerate such an obvious contradiction? How have we become so quick to conclude a thing of such incredible importance? And there are other issues that are similar and plague juveniles, such as anorexia or bulimia, to which we provide robust counseling that their personal image of themselves is not correct.

This unprecedented sexualization of children is permeating our society as some of those outside of this chamber who are advocating for these bills also seek access to children through books and programs. Those who stand against it are cast out as censorious or ignorant. We are castigated as bigots or religious kooks for standing for morals and practices that only a few years ago the very leaders who now support this used to swear would never happen. A mass deception or psychosis is falling over our land as our ability to think rationally is replaced by our desires to libertate ourselves of all that we label as “historically oppressive.” It is like the emperor strolling through the crowd as they insist that his new robes are beautiful and amazing. And as we toss aside these old moorings we ought to be seeing more peace, more order, and more happiness. However, we can easily see just the opposite. Society is spinning more and more into chaos and confusion. Crime, brokenness, poverty, distrust, and violence are all pervasive. The confusion even goes to our athletics now. Why do we even separate bathrooms? Why do we separate sports? Why do we seek equality at job interviews if there is no actual difference? And, if all people are oppressed, then who is left to be the oppressors? The answer that’s been given is to attack the institutions and their defenders rather than to debate the true merits of the issues. What is true cannot be changed by a vote, and what is false cannot be made true. These new clothes are a lie and the emperor is naked.

Senators Lindsey, Damoose, Moss and McMorro asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Lindsey’s statement is as follows:

Mr. President, during committee testimony, in order to better understand the impact of the bill on the practitioner and patient interaction, I inquired as to whether a health professional would be restricted in their questioning, regarding references to the biological sex of the patient. In other words, if a little boy is the patient, can the health professional talk to them about the fact that they were born as a boy? While two of the bill sponsors indicated that the conversations that come up with therapy are a continuing process, one sponsor confirmed that as long as it was not an attempt to convert the patient, it should be okay. However, it is our job to make it as clear as we can, especially around a topic as sensitive as this, what the bills we pass mean. Therefore, my amendment would simply clarify that discussing the minor patient’s biological sex at birth is not considered conversion therapy. I ask my colleagues for their support of my clarifying amendment.

Senator Damoose’s statement is as follows:

Mr. President, while we all agree that the abusive and harmful practices that typically define what we call conversion therapy should be prohibited, these bills so broadly define conversion therapy that they stray into dictating thought and words that in the course of treatment are otherwise highly tailored to an individual patient’s circumstances and needs. And while I do understand the heart behind this bill, I’m concerned that we’re putting highly-trained, experienced care providers in a box.

During committee testimony on this bill, we were able to hear from the president of the Michigan Psychological Association—a doctor and licensed professional. After her testimony and the testimony of the bill sponsors, I still had a concern come to mind. I asked if this legislation would allow for a licensed therapist, in their expert opinion, to inform or explore the idea with a child that they may just be confused rather than being certain of their sexual orientation or gender identity. Would that licensed professional, giving their expert opinion, be committing a crime by merely discussing that possibility with the client? The doctor’s response was, That would be better answered by an attorney. I’m sorry, Mr. President, but for me that’s a very concerning answer. If we’re going to expect licensed professionals to abide by these laws, we need to make them clear.

Luckily, one of the bill sponsors provided a solution. During testimony, the Representative from the 18th District highlighted a proposal that was adopted with unanimous bipartisan support in the state of Utah to ban conversion therapy. Well, I went and read it, and the sponsor was right; it was a very interesting bill. One that I believe could receive unanimous support in this chamber. It bans the dreaded practice of

conversion therapy, provides clarity to licensed professionals in the field, as well as minor patients and their parents, and allows for open discussion during therapy sessions without the need for consulting an attorney. It's a terrific bipartisan solution to a concern held by many.

Therefore, my substitute would simply utilize the clear unambiguous language adopted unanimously in the state of Utah by Republicans and Democrats and signed into law by a Republican Governor to achieve the goals we all share. I ask all my colleagues for their support of my substitute to ensure that we are codifying the banning of conversion therapy without ambiguity or unintended consequences.

Senator Moss' statement, in which Senators Cavanagh, Bayer, Shink, McDonald Rivet, Hertel, Geiss, Chang and Cherry concurred, is as follows:

So, listening to a lot here, and one of the things that just strikes me is this notion that conversion therapy is going to compel people to—without conversion therapy, by banning conversion therapy, we're going to have therapists all throughout the state of Michigan compelling people to change their gender and then at the end of that journey, there's going to be this huge regret rate. I want to read some statistics here. This is from Matt Bernstein—who's a really good follow on Twitter. One percent of people regret their gender-affirming treatment. One percent. Let's compare that with some other statistics. Twelve percent of people regret getting a tattoo. Twenty percent of people regret their knee replacement. Twenty-one percent of people regret their corrective spinal surgery. There's a regret rate of surgery across the board that's about fourteen percent. Ten percent of people regret having children. Fifty-two percent of people regret taking out student loans. There is no medical treatment with a zero percent regret rate. There's no decision in the world with a zero percent regret rate, so that argument is just confounding to me.

But really, you know, I could choose to live in a bubble, right? I could choose to surround myself with people who think like me and appreciate my values and appreciate who I am and appreciate my community and I really could never interact with anybody who would want to condemn me for my sexual orientation, but I choose to be in this arena and I'm proud of it. But this whole debate demonstrates to me hearing a bunch of people—a bunch of straight people—in the Senate lecture me about what the journey of an LGBTQ person is, is the exact reason why we should be banning conversion therapy. The person goes through the journey alone. There is no therapist in the world who can direct you toward the end result, but certainly it is painful enough and we shouldn't add to that pain by giving someone harmful information that they can change their sexual orientation or gender identity. This legislation matches up with all the other states that have banned this barbaric practice of really causing a lot of added mental anguish to someone who already has to live in a world where they're exposed to mental anguish daily. We must pass this bill.

Senator McMorrow's statement is as follows:

I really don't even know where to begin. What I just heard in this room is so offensive and so horrifying, nothing in this legislation is about sterilization or physically changing one's body and the fearmongering from the other side of the aisle is why the rates of anxiety, depression, and suicide among those who are LGBTQ are as high as they are, because it is this rhetoric that tells kids—we're talking about kids here—that who you are is fundamentally wrong. The language I heard from the other side of the aisle was questioning—the quote was, What somebody wants to be—which just shows such a severe lack of understanding of the reality of the situation because it is not a choice and that is why this legislation will ban conversion therapy, because it is not a choice.

Representative Hoskins, when he sat beside us in discussing this legislation—legislation I have introduced since 2019, legislation that many legislators introduced years before me, legislation that has passed in 21 other states under both Republican and Democratic control over the past 10 years—he shared the story that growing up as a Black gay man, you're constantly bombarded with the messages that you're not welcome and who you are is broken. He said something that really struck me as somebody who is straight and recognized that I never felt this way. He shared that he understands why people might want to seek out this treatment, because if a professional is telling you that you can choose an easier path, that you can choose a path where you are not demonized and ostracized and called broken, that you go against an encyclopedia, it's not hard to see why somebody would choose that. But when people choose that and when parents, maybe even with the best intentions, try to choose that for their kids, because somebody who is a professional has told them that it's possible, they set their child up for a lifetime of devastation.

The suicidality rates of those who have been subjected to conversion therapy are twice what they are for their LGBTQ peers—which are already significantly higher than those of us who are straight—because you find out the hard way after treatment after treatment after treatment that tells you your feelings are wrong and you're broken and you have to suppress them, when you find out that you can't, you think you're more broken than you already are. These are kids; how dare you. There is a mother in my district who told me that she sought out a professional therapist to help her child because as a straight mother like myself, she didn't

have this personal experience and she wanted a professional who could help her child navigate their own identity and discovering who they were and feeling safe in the world. She told me that she saw her child retreating week after week after week and didn't know why, and said maybe they're just working through a lot, not realizing that the therapist, the professional they had hired, was trying to change their child's orientation. Imagine going backwards. Imagine all of that work, imagine being a parent and wanting to do what is right for your kid—hiring a licensed professional because you believe they are going to help them and they harm them. This is child abuse. We should have banned this years ago, like the 21 other states under both Republican and Democratic control that banned this.

I ask for your support. I wish I could have gotten your support years ago. This is going to save kids' lives.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

### **Motions and Communications**

Senator Singh moved that a respectful message be sent to the House of Representatives requesting the return of the following bill:

#### **House Bill No. 4294**

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

### **Resolutions**

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.204 be suspended to permit immediate consideration of the following resolutions:

#### **Senate Resolution No. 63**

#### **Senate Resolution No. 64**

#### **Senate Resolution No. 65**

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

Senator Victory offered the following resolution:

#### **Senate Resolution No. 63.**

A resolution to recognize June 23, 2023, as "Rosen Rye Day".

Whereas, Michigan's food and agriculture system is a major contributor to income and employment in the state's economy, accounting for over \$100 billion in direct, indirect, and induced economic activity and over 800,000 jobs; and

Whereas, Since its admission to the union in 1837, Michigan has been an important producer of cereal grains including wheat, corn, and rye. In 1909, a new rye varietal was brought to Michigan Agricultural College (MAC) from Russia by Joseph Rosen and subsequently cleaned, selected, and propagated by Professor Frank Spragg; and

Whereas, It was determined conclusively that Rosen Rye vastly outperformed common varieties and that its cultivation become a priority for Michigan's agricultural community; and

Whereas, Beginning in 1917, significant exports of "Certified" Rosen Rye seeded around the world, notably to major whiskey-producing regions of the United States. By 1920, Michigan was the nation's largest producer of rye; and

Whereas, It became apparent that, despite universal acclaim, Rosen Rye crops diminished in quality from year to year due to cross-pollination from contact with common rye. A decisive action needed to be taken to isolate the finest seed-stock and protect the innovations and investment of Michigan's agricultural community. In turn, a survey was formed to determine suitable, isolated areas and South Manitou Island was found to be ideal; and

Whereas, George and Louis Hutzler, along with Irvin Beck, led all seven farms on South Manitou Island and formed a mutual pact, swearing under penalty of drowning, to grow only Rosen Rye to protect its genetic purity. Over the following decade, they earned numerous international awards for "Certified" Rosen Rye, garnering the farmers the moniker "Rye Kings" and Manitou Island as the "World's Rye Center"; and

Whereas, Between the dawn of Prohibition, and the 1960s when the last farmers left South Manitou Island, Michigan Rosen Rye was venerated in whiskey advertisements, extolled in internal distillery production manuals, and raised to legendary status in bootlegging folklore, before completely disappearing from the market for 50 years; and

Whereas, Under permit from the National Park Service, using seeds from the United States Department of Agriculture Seed Bank, along with assistance from Michigan State University's Department of Bio Ag Research and volunteer descendants of the Hutzler and Beck families, Mammoth Distilling has revived these historic farms to reintroduce "Certified" Rosen Rye; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize June 23, 2023, as "Rosen Rye Day"; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize the critical role of native grains and locally grown agriculture to the success of the craft spirits industry in Michigan.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Chang, Cherry and Santana were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Victory's statement is as follows:

Some things better a little bit late, better than never; so I think this resolution falls under that category.

Michigan has played a significant role in cereal grain production, cultivating wheat, corn, and rye. In 1909 a new rye variety called Rosen rye was introduced to Michigan, surpassing other common varieties in performance and swiftly gaining priority in the agricultural community. Despite its initial acclaim, Rosen rye gradually declined over the years due to cross-pollination, eventually disappearing from the market for half a century.

Today, thanks to the collaborative efforts of the National Park Service, the United States Department of Agriculture Seed Bank, Michigan State University's Department of AgBioResearch, the Hutzler and also Beck families, and Mammoth Distilling, the certified Rosen rye has successfully made a comeback in the state.

I'm delighted to acknowledge the vital contribution of native grains and locally-grown agriculture to Michigan's thriving economy. Therefore, I warmly invite you to join me in honoring June 23, 2023, as Rosen Rye Day.

Senator Albert offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 64.**

A resolution to commemorate June 27, 2023, as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury (PTSI) Awareness Day.

Whereas, The brave men and women of the United States (U.S.) Armed Forces risk their lives to protect the freedom of our nation and deserve an unwavering commitment of resources to ensure their lasting physical, mental, and emotional well-being; and

Whereas, It is estimated that more than 2.5 million U.S. service members have deployed around the world since the events of September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, Thousands of service members have deployed multiple times to combat zones, placing them at high risk of post-traumatic stress; and

Whereas, Approximately 200,000 U.S. military personnel leave the service each year, and thousands of them are from Michigan, with their military service exposing many of them to traumatic life-threatening events; and

Whereas, Post-traumatic stress significantly increases the risk of depression, suicide, and drug or alcohol-related disorders and deaths; and

Whereas, Thousands of Michigan corrections professionals, law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders also face high incidence rates of post-traumatic stress as they face extreme danger protecting the public; and

Whereas, While significant advancements have been made by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and other entities to diagnose, prevent, and treat PTSI, many challenges remain; and

Whereas, The establishment of a Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day in Michigan raises public awareness about issues related to PTSI; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body commemorate June 27, 2023, as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury (PTSI) Awareness Day; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and other state departments to continue working to educate service members, veterans, the families of service members and veterans, and the public about the causes, symptoms, and treatment of PTSI; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the state of Michigan.  
The question being on the adoption of the resolution,  
The resolution was adopted.  
Senators Chang, Cherry and Webber were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Albert's statement is as follows:

I offer this resolution today to commemorate June 27, 2023, as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day. Post-traumatic stress affects millions of people in the United States. It may come about after experiencing or witnessing a traumatic event. I served in the United States Marine Corps and I know this is a major health issue for the military and its veterans. Thousands of Michiganders have deployed overseas during their military service, and many have seen combat. This places these brave men and women protecting our country at high risk of post-traumatic stress. With it comes higher risk of depression, suicide, and substance abuse. Post-traumatic stress may be most commonly associated with military service but there are high incidence rates among our Michigan corrections officers. It's also a challenge for law enforcement, firefighters, and other first responders.

In fact, it's a challenge faced by many Michigan residents regardless of their occupation or background. Traumatic incidents can happen to anyone and so can the damaging effects commonly associated with post-traumatic stress. This resolution asks our state continue the important work of education relating to post-traumatic stress, including its causes, symptoms, and treatments. Raising awareness is the first important step and that is what we are doing today with this resolution. Thank you, and I ask for your support for our military, our law enforcement, our first responders, and for anyone in Michigan who is battling the effects of post-traumatic stress.

Senator Wojno offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 65.**

A resolution to recognize August 6-12, 2023, as National Health Center Week.

Whereas, For over 50 years, community health centers have provided high-quality, affordable, comprehensive, primary and preventive health care in our nation's underserved communities, delivering value to, and having a significant impact on, America's health care system; and

Whereas, As the country's largest primary care network, community health centers are the health care home for 30 million Americans in over 14,000 communities across the nation. One in every eleven people in the United States gets their care in a community health center; and

Whereas, Community health centers are a critical element of the health system, serving both rural and urban communities. They often provide the only accessible and dependable source of primary care in their communities. Nationwide, community health centers serve one in every five residents of rural areas; and

Whereas, Community health centers serve as beacons of essential resources and support in the face of disasters and pandemics. They continue to respond quickly to care for America's most vulnerable and underserved communities. To date, health centers have administered over 22 million COVID-19 tests and over 24 million vaccines; and

Whereas, Every day, community health centers develop new approaches to the integration of a wide range of services beyond primary care including oral health, vision, behavioral health, and pharmacy services in order to meet the needs and challenges of their communities; and

Whereas, In the last decade, health centers have more than doubled their behavioral health workforce to meet Americans' growing need for behavioral health services; and

Whereas, Community health centers are governed by patient-majority boards, ensuring that the patients of each health center are engaged in their own health care decisions; and

Whereas, They are locally owned and operated small businesses that serve as critical economic engines, helping to power local economies by generating \$85 billion in economic activity in some of the country's most economically-deprived communities; and

Whereas, Nationally, community health centers support more than 500,000 direct and indirect jobs, including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, licensed family therapists, and certified nurse-midwives who work as part of multi-disciplinary clinical teams designed to treat the whole patient; and

Whereas, The community health center model continues to prove as an effective means of overcoming barriers to healthcare access, including geography, income and insurance status, the improvement of health care outcomes, and a reduction in health care system costs; and

Whereas, Community health centers reduce overall costs of care by helping manage chronic conditions, keeping patients out of costlier health care settings like hospital emergency rooms; and

Whereas, Being on the front lines of emerging health care crises, community health centers provide access to care for our nation's veterans, addressing the opioid epidemic, and responding to public health threats in the wake of natural disasters; and

Whereas, Almost 500 health centers operate close to 1,000 mobile units, providing health services in over hundreds of rural and urban communities; and

Whereas, National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to celebrate over 1,400 health center organizations in the United States with over 14,000 service delivery sites, along with their dedicated staff, board members, patients, and those responsible for their continued success and growth; and

Whereas, During National Health Center Week, we honor the legacy of America's community health centers and their vital role in shaping the past, present, and future of our health care system; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize August 6-12, 2023, as National Health Center Week. We encourage all Americans to participate by visiting their local health center and celebrate the important partnership between America's community health centers and the communities they serve.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Chang, Cherry, Geiss and Santana were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Wojno's statement is as follows:

I offer this resolution recognizing August 6 through 12 as National Health Center Week. For over 50 years community health centers have provided high-quality, affordable, comprehensive, primary, and preventive health care in our state's underserved communities, delivering value to and having a significant impact on Michigan's health care system. In my district, MiCare is a shining example of a community health care center ensuring patients are engaged in their own health care decisions. During National Health Center Week, we honor the legacy of America's community health centers and their vital role in shaping the past, present, and future of our health care system. I ask for your support of this resolution.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

### **Messages from the House**

#### **Senate Bill No. 52, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 40118 (MCL 324.40118), as amended by 2022 PA 23.

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.

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.

#### **Senate Bill No. 59, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," by amending section 100c (MCL 330.1100c), as amended by 2020 PA 285.

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.

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.

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bill:

**Senate Bill No. 219**

The motion prevailed.

**Senate Bill No. 219, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 9204, 9206, 17703, 17707, 17708, 17713, 17751, and 17757 (MCL 333.9204, 333.9206, 333.17703, 333.17707, 333.17708, 333.17713, 333.17751, and 333.17757), section 9204 as amended by 2006 PA 91, section 9206 as amended by 1996 PA 540, section 17703 as amended by 2021 PA 36, section 17707 as amended by 2020 PA 142, sections 17708 and 17751 as amended by 2022 PA 80, section 17713 as added by 2020 PA 324, and section 17757 as amended by 2022 PA 13, and by adding sections 17724 and 17724a.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-2) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-2), ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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

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

**Roll Call No. 415**

**Yeas—35**

Anthony	Daley	Lindsey	Runestad
Bayer	Damoose	McBroom	Santana
Bellino	Geiss	McCann	Shink
Brinks	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Singh
Bumstead	Hertel	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki	

**Nays—1**

Albert

**Excused—2**

Hoitenga                      Lauwers

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

**Senate Bill No. 247, entitled**

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “Michigan liquor control code of 1998,” by amending section 531 (MCL 436.1531), as amended by 2014 PA 135.

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.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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. 416****Yeas—34**

Anthony	Daley	Lindsey	Polehanki
Bayer	Damoose	McBroom	Runestad
Bellino	Geiss	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Hauck	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Bumstead	Hertel	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry	Klinefelt		

**Nays—2**

Albert	Singh
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**Excused—2**

Hoitenga	Lauwers
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**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 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.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

**Statements**

Senators Runestad, Moss and Geiss asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.



Senator Runestad's statement is as follows:

Thank you, Mr. President. Today I intend to speak directly to the citizens of Michigan, and as a precaution I have provided copies of my speech to all the media lest I again be censored. Our state's legislature has previous few minority check-and-balance rights. In Michigan, the majority accrues nearly complete power to suppress the minority. The majority sets the agendas, appoints the committee chairs who have complete control over the committees, determines what votes are to be taken up on the floor, and much, much more. The minority, however, is limited to very few technical maneuvers. But importantly, they can speak to and create a formal record to expose their concerns about particular bills and legislative mischief. Without this transparency from the minority, the public is denied the legislative backstory.

The Senate is considered the upper and more deliberative body. Thus, Senators have always been accorded in their "no" vote explanations, without question, as long as they don't personally attack individual members—mostly unfettered latitude in their choice of content, and the all-important ability to explain and inform the public, without time constraint, why they voted "no" on a particular bill or bills.

For example, the Democrats, when in the minority, would at times speak 20, 30, 40 minutes, drift far afield from the original bill, and took the opportunity to impugn the motives of the majority relentlessly. I recall, very rarely, any time when minority members' speeches were curtailed. To refresh my memory, last week I looked up a sitting member here on the other side of the aisle, and randomly selected one of their "no" vote explanations. I provided the media copies from the Senate Journal that I am about to read, and I quote:

Now, though, when that access and perceived power are reduced, we get statement after statement of feigned outrage. Where was this outrage from the majority for Flint where an entire community was poisoned and at least two generations left to feel the aftermath of that poisoning? While some here were prattling on ad nauseum about the lost decade, you helped create the lost generation of Flint babies with your silence. Where was this outrage during the educational crisis with Buena Vista, Inkster, Detroit, or Benton Harbor? It was non-existent.

What about the lack of honesty, the absence of integrity, and the failed leadership from some members of this body who gave a green light on emergency managers after the people said "no" at the ballot box? About gutting earned paid sick leave after adopting the ballot language whole cloth? How can we trust this body? How can the citizens of Michigan trust this body?

This is a Democratic "no" vote explanation.

Where is the trust, the leadership, and the integrity? Words, your words, mean nothing; the actions, however, everything. Your slip is showing. It's clear that the masks and hoods have been pulled off, revealing the true self. Congratulations. You've proven the hypocrisy of this democracy.

This was just one random speech I pulled. There were dozens and dozens more, very much alike. However, my experience of "no" vote explanations have been much different. Since coming into the minority this year—my very first one—I was gaveled down in 46 seconds, over nothing, as documented in the video recording. However, last week I was gaveled down in 28 seconds, contrary to the providing member's assertions, the video evidence and the transcript I provided to the media demonstrates there was no personal attack on anyone, nor any mention of individual bill sponsors at all. The controlling member abused his authority and arbitrarily gaveled down a minority member's comments simply to censor the message. After this disruption, I attempted to restart, and a minute and 26 seconds in, as I was addressing one of my proposed bill amendments that was submitted but voted down, I was again gaveled down, with the canard that reference to an amendment to a bill in question, in a "no" vote explanation, isn't pertinent. If this is a new position of the Democrats, that reference to bill amendments are no longer pertinent or permissible for discussion in a "no" vote comment and shall in the future be censored, then there is no comment we can make conceivably that is safe from the censor in a "no" vote explanation. This is not a case of turnabout-is-fair-play. To my knowledge, Senate Republicans rarely ever interfered with the "no" vote.

Senator Moss' statement is as follows:

You know, there's a delicious irony here that the previous speaker gives his impassioned speech on that side of the room, but he is one of the contributing factors to why I get to give this speech on this side of the room. Last fall during Statements, he became the face—the spokesperson—for the majority caucus and a lot

of angry vitriol was spewed from microphones on this side, an embracing of this Karamo/DePerno vision for this state—which was soundly rejected by Michigan voters last year. I do want to make sure it’s noted: nobody—certainly not me—is trying to censor that member. He can keep speaking and defending men marrying children all that he wants because then we will stay in the majority on this side of the chamber for the next 40 years.

But I do find it pitiful that after eight-and-a-half years in this Legislature—four-and-a-half years in this chamber—certain members don’t understand the rules of how this chamber operates, so I’ll do a refresher. When there’s a question on passage of a bill before this chamber, and the amendment that a member offered is defeated, that amendment is not the question in the passage of the bill before the chamber. If a member chooses to relitigate an amendment that has been defeated, that member will be ruled out of order. Let’s be clear on something on our side of the aisle now that we’re in the majority. Transphobia is never going to be packed into a bill with passage before this chamber and as long as I’m the Presiding Officer of this chamber; transphobia will always be ruled out of order. And guess what? You’re going to have to cope with that.

Senator Geiss’ statement is as follows:

First, I want to thank our colleague from the 23rd District for putting my words in the Journal twice. I appreciate being cited—it must be cite-a-sister Tuesday.

That’s not why I rose. I rise today in gratitude for this chamber earlier today concurring immediate effect on Senate Bill No. 50—the bill by our colleague from the 2nd Senate District to make Juneteenth a state holiday. While its final passage has wound up happening slightly over one week after this year’s observation of Juneteenth—which in 2021 became a federal holiday—it is important that as a state we also recognize the significance of the anniversary of June 19th, 1865, when the last group of enslaved people and their enslavers were notified of the Emancipation Proclamation that for nearly two-and-a-half years was already in effect. Emancipation Day, Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Juneteenth, it is when the last of the legally-enslaved became unbound—at least on paper, as we know that there are vestiges of the barbarism of American chattel slavery that do remain in this country. It is on June 19th that this country made its first baby steps towards living up to its premise of liberty and justice for all. A goal towards which we must continue to strive with great intentionality to see that premise and promise of liberty and justice for all come to full fruition.

Senate Bill No. 50 now heads to the Governor’s desk, and with the immediate effect granted by this Legislature, it means that this time next year, Juneteenth will be both a federal and state holiday. It’s my hope that as we gain another likely three-day weekend, Juneteenth will be not only a day of celebration and jubilation for the Black community, but also a day of reflection, resolve, and service for all communities to work together and towards advancing liberation and true freedom from the largest city to the smallest village across this entire nation.

### Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Thursday, June 22:

**House Bill Nos. 4066 4132 4133 4317 4318 4343 4377 4378 4454 4561**

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Thursday, June 22, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

**House Bill Nos. 4833 4834 4835 4836 4837 4838 4839 4840 4841 4842 4843 4844**

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Friday, June 23, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

**Senate Bill Nos. 400 401 402 403 404 405 406 407**

### Committee Reports

The Committee on Health Policy reported

**Senate Bill No. 280, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 9316 (MCL 333.9316), as added by 2020 PA 261.

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

Kevin Hertel  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck and Huizenga

Nays: Senator Runestad

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

The Committee on Health Policy reported

**Senate Bill No. 287, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 10401.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

**Senate Bill No. 384, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding sections 3406z, 3901a, and 4002.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck and Huizenga

Nays: Senator Runestad

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Health Policy submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Hertel (C), Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

Excused: Senator Santana

The Committee on Energy and Environment reported

**House Bill No. 4317, entitled**

A bill to provide for the establishment of solar energy districts in certain local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax on the owners or lessees of certain qualified facilities; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officials.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Sean McCann  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators McCann, McDonald Rivet, Singh, Bayer, Shink, Hertel, Camilleri, Chang, Polehanki, Damoose, Outman, Hauck and Bellino

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Energy and Environment reported

**House Bill No. 4318, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 9 and 9f (MCL 211.9 and 211.9f), section 9 as amended by 2011 PA 290 and section 9f as amended by 2017 PA 261.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Sean McCann  
Chairperson

**To Report Out:**

Yeas: Senators McCann, McDonald Rivet, Singh, Bayer, Shink, Hertel, Camilleri, Chang, Polehanki, Damoose, Outman, Hauck and Bellino

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

**COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT**

The Committee on Energy and Environment submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 12:00 noon, Room 403, Capitol Building

Present: Senators McCann (C), McDonald Rivet, Singh, Bayer, Shink, Hertel, Camilleri, Chang, Polehanki, Damoose, Outman, Hauck and Bellino

Excused: Senator Lauwers

**Scheduled Meetings**

**Appropriations** – Wednesday, June 28, 9:00 a.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5307

**Conference Committees –**

**Senate Bill No. 173** – Wednesday, June 28, 8:15 a.m., Room 352, House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-2768

**House Bill No. 4437** – Wednesday, June 28, 8:30 a.m., Room 352, House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-8080

Senator Singh moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 8:06 p.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, declared the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN  
Secretary of the Senate