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LT. GOVERNOR

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

Representatives,

Today I am returning Enrolled House Bills 6184, 6185, 6189, 6193, 6194, 6195, 6202, and 6204 without my signature.

These bills do not rest on a careful, considered attempt to understand the needs of our departments and agencies, nor do they grapple with the real threats that sometimes necessitate swift action to keep Michiganders safe and to save lives. By restricting executive branch authority in times of crisis, they would limit the state's ability to protect the people we represent. We as leaders have a responsibility to put Michiganders' safety and security first. These bills undermine that core responsibility.

I will not tie the hands of future Michigan governors or eliminate tools that could safeguard the people of Michigan.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gretchen Whitmer", written in a cursive style.

Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor