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House Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, March 11, 2009.

1:30 p.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore.

The roll was called by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, who announced that a quorum was present.

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| Agema—present | Durhal—present | Lahti—present | Proos—present |
| Amash—present | Ebli—present | LeBlanc—present | Roberts—present |
| Angerer—present | Elsenheimer—present | Leland—present | Rocca—present |
| Ball—present | Espinoza—present | Lemmons—excused | Rogers—present |
| Barnett—present | Geiss—present | Lindberg—present | Schmidt, R.—present |
| Bauer—present | Genetski—present | Lipton—present | Schmidt, W.—present |
| Bennett—present | Gonzales—present | Liss—present | Schuitmaker—present |
| Bledsoe—present | Green—present | Lori—excused | Scott, B.—present |
| Bolger—present | Gregory—present | Lund—present | Scott, P.—present |
| Booher—present | Griffin—present | Marleau—present | Scripps—present |
| Brown, L.—present | Haase—present | Mayes—present | Segal—present |
| Brown, T.—present | Haines—present | McDowell—present | Sheltrown—present |
| Byrnes—present | Hammel—present | McMillin—present | Simpson—present |
| Byrum—present | Hansen—present | Meadows—present | Slavens—present |
| Calley—present | Haugh—present | Meekhof—present | Slezak—present |
| Caul—present | Haveman—present | Melton—present | Smith—present |
| Clemente—present | Hildenbrand—present | Meltzer—present | Spade—present |
| Constan—present | Horn—present | Miller—present | Stamas—present |
| Corriveau—present | Huckleberry—present | Moore—present | Stanley—present |
| Coulouris—present | Jackson—present | Moss—present | Switalski—present |
| Crawford—present | Johnson—present | Nathan—present | Tlaib—present |
| Cushingberry—e/d/s | Jones, Rick—present | Nerat—present | Tyler—present |
| Daley—present | Jones, Robert—present | Neumann—present | Valentine—present |
| Dean—present | Kandrevas—present | Opsommer—present | Walsh—present |
| Denby—present | Kennedy—present | Pavlov—present | Warren—present |
| DeShazor—present | Knollenberg—present | Pearce—present | Womack—present |
| Dillon—present | Kowall—present | Polidori—present | Young—present |
| Donigan—present | Kurtz—present | | |

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Barb Byrum, from the 67th District, offered the following invocation:

“The most precious and intangible quality of leadership is trust—the confidence that the one who leads will act in the best interest of those who follow—the assurance that he or she will serve the group without sacrificing the rights of the individual.

The people of Michigan have put their trust in us to do what is best for Michigan. Please grant us wisdom and guide our actions so we may humbly serve those we represent.

Send Your love and protection to the men and women that have, are and will defend our freedom for all that we have and do is because of the sacrifice they have made. Grant us Your blessing. Now for a moment of silence...thank you.”

Rep. Opsommer moved that Rep. Lori be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Angerer moved that Rep. Lemmons be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Motions and Resolutions

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 43.

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Richard Sofio, former member of the House of Representatives.

Whereas, Members and staff of the Michigan Legislature were saddened to learn of the passing of Richard Sofio, who served as a member of the House of Representatives for 2 terms and who served the people of the western Upper Peninsula in many capacities. As we express our gratitude for his public service, we also extend our sincere condolences to his family; and

Whereas, A native of Bessemer, Richard Sofio was a graduate of Gogebic Community College who earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Northern Michigan University and also studied at Michigan State University. He devoted himself to education, as a teacher of political science in high school, as a coach, as an instructor at the community college level, and as a school board member. This commitment to the service of others was further apparent in his 14 years as a county commissioner and his efforts with the Citizens Mental Health Advisory Council and the Governor’s Air Service Task Force; and

Whereas, In 1986, Richard Sofio was elected to bring his talents and insights to the Capitol as a state representative. His tenure was marked by his dedication to the people of the 110th District and his contributions to committees dealing with higher education, agriculture, state affairs, and tourism and outdoor-related activities. During the Eighty-fifth Legislature, he chaired the House Forestry and Mineral Committee. We are grateful for the positive impact he had on our state and on the lives of his students; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Richard Sofio, a member of this legislative body from 1987 to 1990; and be it further

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

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted by unanimous standing vote.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Speaker laid before the House

House Concurrent Resolution No. 12.

A concurrent resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the Prisoner of War - Missing in Action issue.

(For text of concurrent resolution, see House Journal No. 17, p. 267.)

(The concurrent resolution was reported by the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security on March 10.)

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,
The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4453, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending the title and section 3204 (MCL 600.3204), the title as amended by 1999 PA 239 and section 3204 as amended by 2004 PA 186, and by adding section 3205.

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

The substitute (H-1) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Coulouris moved to substitute (H-2) the bill.

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

Rep. Booher moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 5, by striking out all of subdivision (F).

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4453, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending the title and section 3204 (MCL 600.3204), the title as amended by 1999 PA 239 and section 3204 as amended by 2004 PA 186, and by adding section 3205.

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

Roll Call No. 38

Yeas—73

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| Angerer | Espinoza | Lipton | Scott, P. |
| Ball | Geiss | Liss | Scripps |
| Barnett | Gonzales | Marleau | Segal |
| Bauer | Gregory | Mayes | Sheltrown |
| Bennett | Haase | McDowell | Simpson |
| Bledsoe | Hammel | Meadows | Slavens |
| Brown, L. | Haugh | Melton | Slezak |
| Brown, T. | Horn | Miller | Smith |
| Byrnes | Huckleberry | Moore | Spade |
| Byrum | Jackson | Nathan | Stamas |
| Clemente | Johnson | Nerat | Stanley |
| Constan | Jones, Robert | Neumann | Switalski |
| Corriveau | Kandreas | Polidori | Tlaib |
| Coulouris | Kennedy | Proos | Tyler |
| Dean | Lahti | Roberts | Valentine |
| Dillon | LeBlanc | Rocca | Warren |
| Donigan | Leland | Schmidt, R. | Womack |
| Durhal | Lindberg | Scott, B. | Young |
| Ebli | | | |

Nays—34

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| Agema | DeShazor | Jones, Rick | Moss |
| Amash | Elsenheimer | Knollenberg | Opsommer |
| Bolger | Genetski | Kowall | Pavlov |
| Booher | Green | Kurtz | Pearce |
| Calley | Griffin | Lund | Rogers |
| Caul | Haines | McMillin | Schmidt, W. |
| Crawford | Hansen | Meekhof | Schuitmaker |
| Daley | Haveman | Meltzer | Walsh |
| Denby | Hildenbrand | | |

In The Chair: Byrnes

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Angerer moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

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

Rep. Schuitmaker, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Lenders, already stretched thin by the national financial crisis, in many instances are already working with borderline homeowners to modify mortgages in order to keep them in their home. For homeowners who are already too far underwater, this legislation will only cause unnecessary delays and added expenses that will ultimately be passed onto consumers, and extra judicial expenses for taxpayers.

Worse, there is a very valid concern that this legislation will actually encourage default by borrowers who are current, but struggling, as they realize they are able to get more favorable terms by defaulting on their loan and taking advantage of the terms available to them through this legislation.

This legislation also sets a dangerous precedent of allowing government to interfere in private contracts.

For these reasons, I oppose these bills.”

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4454, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 3205a and 3205b.

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

The substitute (H-1) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Coulouris moved to substitute (H-2) the bill.

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

Rep. Booher moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, line 20, by striking out all of subdivision (G) and relettering the remaining subdivision.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Cushingberry entered the House Chambers.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4454, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 3205a and 3205b.

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

Roll Call No. 39

Yeas—75

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| Angerer | Ebli | Lipton | Scott, P. |
| Ball | Espinoza | Liss | Scripps |
| Barnett | Geiss | Marleau | Segal |
| Bauer | Gonzales | Mayes | Sheltrown |
| Bennett | Gregory | McDowell | Simpson |
| Bledsoe | Haase | Meadows | Slavens |
| Brown, L. | Hammel | Melton | Slezak |
| Brown, T. | Haugh | Miller | Smith |
| Byrnes | Horn | Moore | Spade |
| Byrum | Huckleberry | Moss | Stamas |
| Clemente | Jackson | Nathan | Stanley |
| Constan | Johnson | Nerat | Switalski |
| Corriveau | Jones, Robert | Neumann | Tlaib |
| Coulouris | Kandrevas | Polidori | Tyler |
| Cushingberry | Kennedy | Proos | Valentine |
| Dean | Lahti | Roberts | Warren |
| Dillon | LeBlanc | Rocca | Womack |
| Donigan | Leland | Schmidt, R. | Young |
| Durhal | Lindberg | Scott, B. | |

Nays—33

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| Agema | DeShazor | Hildenbrand | Meltzer |
| Amash | Elsenheimer | Jones, Rick | Opsommer |
| Bolger | Genetski | Knollenberg | Pavlov |
| Booher | Green | Kowall | Pearce |
| Calley | Griffin | Kurtz | Rogers |
| Caul | Haines | Lund | Schmidt, W. |
| Crawford | Hansen | McMillin | Schuitmaker |
| Daley | Haveman | Meekhof | Walsh |
| Denby | | | |

In The Chair: Byrnes

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Angerer moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

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

Rep. Schuitmaker, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Lenders, already stretched thin by the national financial crisis, in many instances are already working with borderline homeowners to modify mortgages in order to keep them in their home. For homeowners who are already too far underwater, this legislation will only cause unnecessary delays and added expenses that will ultimately be passed onto consumers, and extra judicial expenses for taxpayers.

Worse, there is a very valid concern that this legislation will actually encourage default by borrowers who are current, but struggling, as they realize they are able to get more favorable terms by defaulting on their loan and taking advantage of the terms available to them through this legislation.

This legislation also sets a dangerous precedent of allowing government to interfere in private contracts.

For these reasons, I oppose these bills.”

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4455, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 3205c, 3205d, and 3205e; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

The substitute (H-1) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Coulouris moved to substitute (H-2) the bill.

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

Rep. Booher moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after “**3205C.**” by striking out “**(1)**”.

2. Amend page 2, line 2, by striking out all of subsections **(2)** and **(3)**.

The motion did not prevail and the amendments were not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4455, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 3205c, 3205d, and 3205e; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Roll Call No. 40

Yeas—74

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| Angerer | Ebli | Lipton | Scott, P. |
| Ball | Espinoza | Liss | Scripps |
| Barnett | Geiss | Marleau | Segal |
| Bauer | Gonzales | Mayes | Sheltrown |
| Bennett | Gregory | McDowell | Simpson |
| Bledsoe | Haase | Meadows | Slavens |
| Brown, L. | Hammel | Melton | Slezak |
| Brown, T. | Haugh | Miller | Smith |
| Byrnes | Horn | Moore | Spade |
| Byrum | Huckleberry | Nathan | Stamas |

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| Clemente | Jackson | Nerat | Stanley |
| Constan | Johnson | Neumann | Switalski |
| Corriveau | Jones, Robert | Polidori | Tlaib |
| Coulouris | Kandrevas | Proos | Tyler |
| Cushingberry | Kennedy | Roberts | Valentine |
| Dean | Lahti | Rocca | Warren |
| Dillon | LeBlanc | Schmidt, R. | Womack |
| Donigan | Leland | Scott, B. | Young |
| Durhal | Lindberg | | |

Nays—34

| | | | |
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| Agema | DeShazor | Jones, Rick | Moss |
| Amash | Elsenheimer | Knollenberg | Opsommer |
| Bolger | Genetski | Kowall | Pavlov |
| Booher | Green | Kurtz | Pearce |
| Calley | Griffin | Lund | Rogers |
| Caul | Haines | McMillin | Schmidt, W. |
| Crawford | Hansen | Meekhof | Schuitmaker |
| Daley | Haveman | Meltzer | Walsh |
| Denby | Hildenbrand | | |

In The Chair: Byrnes

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Angerer moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

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

Reps. Angerer, Bauer, Terry Brown, Byrnes, Constan, Dean, Dillon, Donigan, Durhal, Espinoza, Geiss, Gonzales, Gregory, Hammel, Jackson, Lipton, Neumann, Polidori, Bettie Scott, Sheltroun, Slezak, Stanley and Young were named co-sponsors of the bill.

Rep. Schuitmaker, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Lenders, already stretched thin by the national financial crisis, in many instances are already working with borderline homeowners to modify mortgages in order to keep them in their home. For homeowners who are already too far underwater, this legislation will only cause unnecessary delays and added expenses that will ultimately be passed onto consumers, and extra judicial expenses for taxpayers.

Worse, there is a very valid concern that this legislation will actually encourage default by borrowers who are current, but struggling, as they realize they are able to get more favorable terms by defaulting on their loan and taking advantage of the terms available to them through this legislation.

This legislation also sets a dangerous precedent of allowing government to interfere in private contracts.

For these reasons, I oppose these bills.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Wednesday, March 11, for her approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4239 at 9:12 a.m.

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Wednesday, March 11:

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| House Bill Nos. | 4521 | 4522 | 4523 | 4524 | 4525 | 4526 | 4527 | 4528 | 4529 | 4530 | 4531 | 4532 | 4533 | 4534 |
| | 4535 | 4536 | 4537 | 4538 | 4539 | 4540 | 4541 | 4542 | 4543 | 4544 | 4545 | 4546 | 4547 | 4548 |
| | 4549 | 4550 | 4551 | 4552 | 4553 | 4554 | 4555 | 4556 | 4557 | 4558 | 4559 | | | |
| Senate Bill Nos. | 347 | 348 | 349 | 350 | 351 | 352 | 353 | 354 | 355 | 356 | | | | |

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bill had been received on Wednesday, March 11:

Senate Bill No. 284

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Tax Policy, by Rep. Ebli, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4496, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," by amending section 501 (MCL 208.1501).

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Ebli, Barnett, Coulouris, Robert Jones, Kandrevas, Lipton, Mayes, Slezak, Calley, Kowall, Lund, Meekhof, Meltzer, Stamas and Walsh

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Ebli, Chair, of the Committee on Tax Policy, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Ebli, Barnett, Coulouris, Robert Jones, Kandrevas, Lipton, Mayes, Slezak, Warren, Calley, Kowall, Lund, Meekhof, Meltzer, Stamas and Walsh

Absent: Rep. Melton

Excused: Rep. Melton

The Committee on Families and Children's Services, by Rep. Valentine, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4125, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled "Child protection law," (MCL 722.621 to 722.638) by adding section 7k.

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Valentine, Womack, Liss, Neumann, Slavens, Kurtz, McMillin, Moore and Pavlov

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Valentine, Chair, of the Committee on Families and Children's Services, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Valentine, Womack, Liss, Neumann, Slavens, Kurtz, McMillin, Moore and Pavlov

The Committee on Judiciary, by Rep. Meadows, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4117, entitled

A bill to provide for remedies and prescribe civil sanctions against a person who presents a false or fraudulent claim to obtain money, property, or services from this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and agencies; and to prohibit retaliation against a person who pursues a remedy under this act.

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Meadows, Lipton, Lisa Brown, Constan, Corriveau, Coulouris, Kandrevas, Bettie Scott, Warren, Schuitmaker, Amash, Haveman, Rick Jones, Kowall and Rocca

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Meadows, Lipton, Lisa Brown, Constan, Corriveau, Coulouris, Kandrevas, Bettie Scott, Warren, Schuitmaker, Amash, Haveman, Rick Jones, Kowall and Rocca

The Committee on Regulatory Reform, by Rep. Johnson, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4129, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 1305, 1307, and 1308 (MCL 339.1305, 339.1307, and 339.1308), sections 1305 and 1307 as amended by 1988 PA 463.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Johnson, Haugh, Byrnes, Griffin, Melton, Stanley, Rocca, Crawford and Stamas

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Johnson, Chair, of the Committee on Regulatory Reform, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Johnson, Haugh, Byrnes, Griffin, Melton, Stanley, Rocca, Crawford, Rick Jones and Stamas

Absent: Rep. Bettie Scott

Excused: Rep. Bettie Scott

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Robert Jones, Roy Schmidt, Byrum, Clemente, Haase, Haugh, Huckleberry, Nathan, Nerat, Sheltroun, Womack, Hansen, DeShazor, Knollenberg, Meekhof, Meltzer, Opsommer and Walsh

Absent: Rep. Lemmons

Excused: Rep. Lemmons

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Lindberg, Chair, of the Committee on Labor, was received and read:
Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Present: Reps. Lindberg, Kennedy, Kandrevas, Liss, Bettie Scott, Slezak, Young, Amash, Daley, Haveman and McMillin

Messages from the Senate**Senate Bill No. 284, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 566, entitled "An act to encourage the faithful performance of official duties by certain public officers and public employees; to prescribe standards of conduct for certain public officers and public employees; to prohibit the holding of incompatible public offices; and to provide certain judicial remedies," by amending section 3 (MCL 15.183), as amended by 2008 PA 22.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Introduction of Bills

Rep. Ball introduced

House Bill No. 4560, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 951, 952, and 957 (MCL 168.951, 168.952, and 168.957), section 951 as amended by 1993 PA 45 and section 952 as amended by 1993 PA 137, and by adding section 952b.

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

Rep. Hansen introduced

House Bill No. 4561, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 52706 (MCL 324.52706), as amended by 2006 PA 179.

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

Rep. Hansen introduced

House Bill No. 4562, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 3122 (MCL 324.3122), as amended by 2007 PA 75.

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

Rep. Hansen introduced

House Bill No. 4563, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 43537, 74117, and 83106 (MCL 324.43537, 324.74117, and 324.83106), section 43537 as amended by 2007 PA 60, section 74117 as amended by 2006 PA 477, and section 83106 as amended by 2004 PA 587.

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

Rep. Hildenbrand introduced

House Bill No. 4564, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," (MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 4ff.

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

Rep. Meadows introduced

House Bill No. 4565, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998," (MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303) by adding section 1029.

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

Announcements by the Clerk

March 10, 2009

Received from the Auditor General a copy of the following audit report and/or report summary:

Performance audit of the Accessible Web-Based Activity and Reporting Environment (AWARE), Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth and Michigan Department of Information Technology, March 2009.

Richard J. Brown
Clerk of the House

Rep. Segal moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:40 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Thursday, March 12, at 12:00 Noon.

RICHARD J. BROWN
Clerk of the House of Representatives

