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10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Geoffrey M. Hansen.

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

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

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

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hune's statement is as follows:

It was just last week or the week before that I rose with a heavy heart, and again I am here to do the same thing. With me I have Senator Kowall from Oakland County who represents the community of West Bloomfield, and behind me is Representative Cindy Denby from Livingston County. I'm here to pay special tribute to Sergeant Patrick John O'Rourke.

I'm honored to speak on behalf and to remember the sacrifices he's made and the courage it took to defend our community. Sergeant O'Rourke offered the ultimate sacrifice while answering a domestic call for the West Bloomfield Police Department on Sunday, September 9, 2012. Police Officer O'Rourke was shot and killed while making entry into a home after responding to a domestic dispute and reports of shots fired from inside the house.

Officer O'Rourke's shift had actually just ended when they received the call, and he joined other officers to assist. He and four other officers responded to the initial call shortly after 10:00 p.m. Several family members who had been in the home with the accomplice exited prior to the arrival of the officers and informed them that the man inside may have committed suicide.

The officers entered the home and made their way to a bedroom. Before entering the bedroom, they called out the subject's name but were met with gunfire through the bedroom door. Officer O'Rourke was struck by the gunfire and critically wounded. He was transported to McLaren Hospital where he succumbed to his gunshot wounds.

We're here today to honor this hero, to remember his achievements, his courage, and his dedication and to say thank you to his family for his service. We are all thinking of Patrick today in his spirit. We humbly stand in the midst of the family of Sergeant Patrick O'Rourke who has nobly served us. Sergeant O'Rourke possessed courage, integrity, determination, selflessness, and a dedication to duty—all the qualities needed to serve a cause greater than oneself.

In the example of Sergeant O'Rourke, we honor an extremely dedicated professional who served in West Bloomfield for over twelve years. During his period of service, he received more honors and citations than we can even mention. As a man of distinction and strong faith, he accepted his many awards with the utmost of humility. Patrick's mom told his wife of finding his many awards shoved in drawers, put away as soon as they were given. This was not to diminish their importance, but to bring attention to the incredible task that Patrick always embraced—giving 100 percent of his God-given talent back to his community without recognition drawn to himself.

We gather today with the O'Rourke family to honor this incredible man. It is a way to say we remember Sergeant Patrick John O'Rourke and to say thank you for his service and his lasting legacy. Joining us today are his wife Amy, his mother Arlene, his father Dan, and his brothers Richard Wayne, Daniel Patrick, and Scott David. We also have a tribute signed by myself, State Representative Denby, and the Governor of the great state of Michigan.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of West Bloomfield Police Sergeant Patrick John O'Rourke.

Senator Meekhof 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:

House Bill No. 4398

House Bill No. 4399

House Bill No. 4400

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

Senators Young and Hunter entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Bieda moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow Senate Majority Counsel Fred Hall to use the center aisle during today's session.

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville's statement is as follows:

This discussion is going to take a few minutes because the gentleman we are going to honor has been here forever. I'm going to tell you a few stories along the way and some history. Fred Hall is who we are honoring today.

He was born in the Honolulu Territory of Hawaii in 1949, before it was even part of the United States. Fred is the youngest of four. He has three older sisters, and he is one-half first-generation Portuguese-American. Some of his first memories of life are with Fort Custer, Michigan, as the backdrop, but he grew up in Alexandria, Virginia. He went to St. Rita School from grades one through eight. Did it take just eight years? It took just eight years; that's great. He graduated from

Gonzaga High School in Washington, D.C., and from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Arts with high honors in political science. If you wanted to give a round of applause for Michigan State, you can do that. We will be done today in plenty of time for a 12:15 p.m. start, just so you know that. He also graduated from Georgetown University Law Center, and he was commissioned as an Air Force officer through Georgetown ROTC.

He served as a judge advocate in the Air Force for a total of 28 years—4 active duty and 24 in the Air Force Reserve and retired in 2003 as a lieutenant colonel. He was supposed to report to the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, but instead, he delayed his trip to Washington to oversee a special primary election here in Michigan. Following the attacks on September 11, he was part of a team that established a noble and critically-important readiness program for the military.

Among many other awards, Fred has received the following individual medals for service with the Air Force: two Air Force Commendation Medals and four Meritorious Service Medals. Congratulations, Fred. He was the Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor from 1987 to 1989, and he was Mike Cox's first boss at the start of his legal career. So if any of you think that someone is to blame for some things that have happened since then, act upon that. He was the presidential elector for Michigan in 1988 for President Bush and Vice President Quayle.

He started his career in the Senate in 1981 as executive assistant to Senate Minority Leader—and Majority Leader eventually—VanderLaan, but continued as deputy Senate majority counsel under then-Senator John Engler. He served intermittently as both the deputy director and the director of the Senate Majority Policy Office. He was the Senate majority counsel from 1991 to the present day, serving under Senators Posthumus, DeGrow, Sikkema, Bishop, and me. By the way, we have former Senators Sikkema and Bishop in the Gallery today. We would like to welcome you this morning; it is nice to see you.

This 21-year tenure makes Fred the longest presently-serving majority counsel in the United States. Fred is the last Republican staffer who served in the minority. We would like to see that record continue for a while too—no offense. There were 14 members in the Senate Republican Caucus when Fred began his career. Fred has supervised 85 staff people who have since left state government and many more who still work in the Senate, House of Representatives, administration, and the Greater Lansing community.

He is married to Joann Hall who is a third-grade teacher at Huron Valley Catholic School in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Fred and Joann have seven children in their blended family, ages from 19 to 27. Their names are Derek and Philip Hall; Elizabeth, Matthew, Michael, David, and Teresa Scerbak. Joann, Philip, and Teresa are here on the floor today—welcome this morning. It is very nice to have you three here today.

Fred has counseled me and many others. I think I can speak for everyone when I say that I am glad that Fred was there many times to tell me, “No, you can't do that.” Fred will tell us that it has been his privilege to serve this Senate in this chamber for the last 29 years, but actually it has been our greatest privilege and great honor to have Fred serve among us. Fred, thank you for all you have done for us, both individually and for the institution you serve so well and, of course, also for the state of Michigan. We wish you a long, happy, and relaxing retirement—all the best from all of us.

I'm not done. You really have to see this. First of all, Fred, the entire Michigan Senate, every member signed this, on both sides of the aisle in commemoration of your great service. We usually give out a tribute like this, but yours required three pages in order to get it all out. We want to present these to you as well. Congratulations, again.

We are doing our best to choke you up, but you are still being the same Fred Hall we know. On special occasions, Fred will hand out Hershey's Kisses to most of the people—of the female persuasion usually. I'm sorry, Joann, I don't know if you knew about that. So we have given him a crystal Hershey's kiss that he can keep them in to remember us.

Recess

Senator Richardville moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:26 a.m.

10:31 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Hansen.

Messages from the Governor

The following message from the Governor was received:

Date: March 20, 2013

Time: 3:07 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 234 (Public Act No. 6), being

An act to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally

accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to regulate the introduction and use of certain evidence; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to impose liability upon the state or local agencies; to provide appropriations for certain purposes; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date;" (MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 811v.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on March 20, 2013, at 3:36 p.m.)

Respectfully,
Rick Snyder
Governor

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

March 20, 2013

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office:

Director - Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency

Jeffrey S. Barnes of 1640 E. Stadium Boulevard, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104, county of Washtenaw, is appointed for a term expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

Sincerely,
Rick Snyder
Governor

The appointment was referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Messages from the House

Senate Bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend 1987 PA 173, entitled "Mortgage brokers, lenders, and servicers licensing act," by amending section 33 (MCL 445.1683), as amended by 2009 PA 76.

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. 65, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 703 (MCL 206.703), as amended by 2012 PA 217.

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 Hunter moved that Senator Whitmer be excused from the balance of today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for certain capital outlay projects and for certain state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations.

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 amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for certain capital outlay projects, the legislature, and certain state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations.

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

Senator Meekhof 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. 63

Yeas—30

Anderson	Green	Kahn	Pavlov
Bieda	Gregory	Kowall	Proos
Booher	Hansen	Marleau	Richardville
Brandenburg	Hildenbrand	Meekhof	Robertson
Casperson	Hopgood	Moolenaar	Rocca
Caswell	Hunter	Nofs	Smith
Colbeck	Jansen	Pappageorge	Walker
Emmons	Jones		

Nays—5

Hune	Schuitmaker	Warren	Young
Johnson			

Excused—2

Hood	Whitmer
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Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

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

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

The Senate agreed to the title as amended.

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

Protest

Senator Schuitmaker, under her constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against concurring in the House substitute to Senate Bill No. 233 and moved that the statement she made during the discussion of the bill be printed as her reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Schuitmaker's statement is as follows:

I rise in opposition to this supplemental. I fully support the numerous dredging projects and have voted for them previously, as well as service for our veterans. However, as the co-chair of the Victims Caucus, I have serious objections to the \$250,000 amendment going towards a study of sentencing guidelines when just four years ago we paid for a CSG report.

In Michigan, the reality is that we are home to three of the most violent cities in America. For every one of those violent crimes, there is a victim and a victim's family, yet we are trying to figure out ways to not send them to prison. Some organizations continuously reference the Pew report claiming this is the reason we need to look at a sentencing guidelines commission. Yet they fail to reference another side of that Pew report that states Michigan is in the top five in reducing prison population. We, as a state, have done nearly everything that the Pew report recommends.

In the mid-1990s, Michigan's prison intake was approximately 60 percent new crimes, while 30 percent were for parole and probation violations. In 2010, that number has flipped. Sixty percent of entries into prison are parole and probation violations. These folks are not in prison because they received a stiff sentence. They are in prison because they got out, got a second chance and probably numerous more, and then violated their parole.

Let's talk about how one violates parole and gets placed back into a correctional facility. Nine times out of ten it is because they have committed another violent crime. Rarely do they get placed back into prison because of a failed drug test. We have a system to help them with these problems.

Since my tenure, we've heard about how Michigan needs to stop sending so-called nonviolent offenders to prison. According to the Michigan Department of Corrections, nonassaultive crimes are essentially nonviolent crimes and mixes the terms, depending on the usage. So using the administration's own definitions, let me paint a real-life scenario for you.

A prison escapee is upset with his girlfriend. He drinks a six-pack, steals a car, drives over to her house, cuts her phone line before banging on the door, but she isn't home. He breaks down her door, breaks every window in the place, kick holes in the walls, spray paints all of her clothing, steals her checkbook and all of her valuables, decapitates her dog, and uses a nail gun to nail all three of her cats to the floor. He logs onto her computer and maxes out her credit cards gambling. He dumps everything she owns into the river and torches the stolen car. He runs her bank account dry by using her stolen checks.

The girlfriend files a police report. The man finds her and tells her that if she doesn't drop the complaint, he will nail her to the floor and take all weekend to do it. The complaint is dropped. Eventually arrested, he is carrying two stolen handguns and dressed like a policeman, attempting to flag down women drivers. He has five prior felony convictions, including two felony firearm offenses.

These crimes I've just described are considered by the MDOC to be nonviolent. Certain advocates for reform insist that these offenders essentially be sentenced to stay in the community. Michigan does not have a sentencing problem; Michigan has a crime problem. It's not just any crimes; violent murders, assaults, sexual assaults, armed robbery, etc. As we all vote on this today, remember the victims; remember that for every violent crime, there is a family and community standing before us broken. They can maybe forgive that person, but they want to know their state government is doing everything to ensure that person does not hurt someone else. I asked that this money go towards educating truant youth or paving our roads.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Colbeck's statement is as follows:

I know that the bill is entitled Natural Resources appropriations, but I want to bring to the attention of my colleagues a very important element of this bill. That deals with the formation of a new Veterans Affairs Agency here in the state of Michigan. For many people who look at GDX records talking about how much support goes to our veterans, Michigan is 53 out of 53, including all the territories of the United States.

This new Veterans Affairs Agency is designed to bring more attention to getting the care and benefits our veterans deserve more quickly and more expeditiously. I fully support the new agency, and I encourage my colleagues to support this as it comes back with a House substitute as part of this supplemental appropriations.

Senator Kahn's statement is as follows:

I rise in support of Senate Bill No. 233 and would like to go through it briefly with you. I appreciate the comments of the Senator from the 7th District and the Senator from the 20th District. In brief, this bill is about the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund projects and emergency harbor dredging projects. This needs to be completed and done so dredging, in fact, can begin in a timely fashion. Added to this bill are some additional dollars to allow us to facilitate dredging in private marinas. The original nature of the bill was oriented toward public marinas, but it makes a lot of sense if you're going to have a dredge sitting next to a public marina at 150 feet or 250 feet downstream or upstream, and there is a private marina, that we facilitate the ability to have that dredged as well. After all, it would be considerably less expensive.

The second part of this was spoken about pretty eloquently, I think, by the Senator from the 7th District. In brief, we have a new department; a new agency to empower and help our veterans that is ready to start up. It has no funding. Michigan ranks 53rd out of 50 states in the nation. How can you be 53rd out of 50? That puts us behind Guam in support for our veterans. We need to do better, and this will help lay the groundwork for that.

Then we come to the last part, which the Senator from the 20th District has spoken about. Her concerns were about sentencing guidelines. The \$250,000 study referenced here was, first of all, mentioned, at least intent language, in budgets we passed last year. It is not a new appropriation at all. What it is about is updating a study which I have read that is titled "Analysis of Crime, Community Corrections, and Sentencing Policies." The good Senator talks about sentencing policies alone, but there is much more to that study and much of value, besides which a study is certainly not a commitment for any particular action. Let me go over a few of the things that are in the study that needs to be updated.

First of all, was the initial structure of that study. It did not include the corrections' operations, such as labor management, where there might be opportunities for increased efficiencies, as it said in the cover page of the report. In the update, that will be considered. Secondly, it is about creating and funding and demonstrating grant programs for local law enforcement agencies to design and deploy specific crime-fighting operations in partnership with local prosecutors and community faith-based programs. We will include an update of those efforts. It also includes a development of a validated risk instrument in association with revision of Michigan's community corrections act. It will allow for the establishment of pilot projects to deal with short and swift jail stays in response to probation violations and updates that if we have a chance to reduce the cost of corrections, and at the same time, properly protect our people, as the Senator from the 20th District is concerned about; evaluation of that department, instruments to complete those evaluations and inclusion of prosecutors and local law enforcement officers, the evaluation of them, too, is necessary.

Therefore, I support the bill and all of its parts and ask that it be passed today.

Senate Bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to establish a marina dredging loan origination program; to authorize certain loan guarantees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to provide for an appropriation.

The House of Representatives has amended the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 5, line 12, after "(1)" by striking out the balance of the subsection and inserting "An amount sufficient to pay loan origination fees under this act, not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, shall be expended if it is appropriated to the department of treasury."

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

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

Senator Meekhof moved that the rule be suspended.

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

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

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

Roll Call No. 64

Yeas—35

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

Nays—0

Excused—2

Hood

Whitmer

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

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 bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor. Senator Richardville was named co-sponsor of the bill.

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

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

The motion prevailed, and the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Hansen, designated Senator Hildenbrand as Chairperson.

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

House Bill No. 4045, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 217, entitled "Electrical administrative act," by amending section 3h (MCL 338.883h), as added by 1992 PA 130.

House Bill No. 4398, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32513 (MCL 324.32513), as amended by 2012 PA 247.

House Bill No. 4400, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 30104 (MCL 324.30104), as amended by 2011 PA 218.

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. 165, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding part 204. 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. 264, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 1301, 30102, 30104, 32512, 32513, and 32514 (MCL 324.1301, 324.30102, 324.30104, 324.32512, 324.32513, and 324.32514), section 1301 as amended by 2012 PA 249, sections 30102 and 30104 as amended by 2011 PA 218, sections 32512 and 32513 as amended by 2012 PA 247, and section 32514 as added by 1995 PA 59, and by adding sections 30102a and 32512b. 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.

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

Senate Bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 16333, 17705, 17707, 17711, 17721, and 17731 (MCL 333.16333, 333.17705, 333.17707, 333.17711, 333.17721, and 333.17731), section 16333 as added by

1993 PA 80, section 17705 as amended by 1986 PA 304, section 17707 as amended by 1990 PA 333, sections 17711 and 17721 as amended by 2006 PA 390, and section 17731 as amended by 1994 PA 234, and by adding sections 17735, 17736, and 17744a.

Substitute (S-5).

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. 4399, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32514 (MCL 324.32514), as added by 1995 PA 59.

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

Third Reading of Bills

Senator Meekhof moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

Senate Bill No. 264

House Bill No. 4398

House Bill No. 4399

House Bill No. 4400

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

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 1301, 3109c, 30105, and 32512a (MCL 324.1301, 324.3109c, 324.30105, and 324.32512a), section 1301 as amended by 2012 PA 249, section 3109c as added by 2006 PA 97, section 30105 as amended by 2009 PA 120, and section 32512a as amended by 2012 PA 247, and by adding sections 30106b and 32515a.

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. 65

Yeas—35

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

Nays—0

Excused—2

Hood

Whitmer

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4398, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 32513 (MCL 324.32513), as amended by 2012 PA 247.

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. 66**Yeas—33**

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

Nays—2

Bieda	Warren
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Excused—2

Hood	Whitmer
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Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

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

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

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

“An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4399, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 32514 (MCL 324.32514), as added by 1995 PA 59.

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. 67

Yeas—34

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

Nays—1

Caswell

Excused—2

Hood

Whitmer

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

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

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

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

“An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4400, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 30104 (MCL 324.30104), as amended by 2011 PA 218.

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. 68**Yeas—35**

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

Nays—0**Excused—2**

Hood	Whitmer
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Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Hansen

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

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

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

“An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

Resolutions**House Concurrent Resolution No. 5.**

A concurrent resolution prescribing the legislative schedule.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House of Representatives adjourns on Thursday, March 21, 2013, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.; and be it further

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, March 21, 2013, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

The House of Representatives has adopted the concurrent resolution.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the concurrent resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations, Senator Meekhof moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Senators Booher, Kowall and Pappageorge were named co-sponsors of the concurrent resolution.

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Booher introduced

Senate Bill No. 282, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 726c (MCL 257.726c), as amended by 2012 PA 529.

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

Senators Meekhof and Warren introduced

Senate Bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled "Michigan campaign finance act," by amending section 55 (MCL 169.255), as amended by 2012 PA 277.

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

Senators Nofs, Bieda, Caswell, Hopgood, Proos, Young, Anderson, Brandenburg, Jones, Schuitmaker, Walker, Marleau and Pappageorge introduced

Senate Bill No. 284, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to provide for a restructuring of the manner in which energy is provided in this state; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 460.1 to 460.11) by adding section 9t.

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

Senators Bieda, Jones, Rocca, Kowall, Anderson, Jansen, Hood, Young and Johnson introduced

Senate Bill No. 285, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 50 and 50b (MCL 750.50 and 750.50b), section 50 as amended by 2007 PA 152 and section 50b as amended by 2008 PA 339.

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

Senators Jones, Rocca, Bieda, Kowall, Anderson, Jansen, Hood, Young and Johnson introduced

Senate Bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending sections 16b, 34, 40, 46, and 49 of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16b, 777.34, 777.40, 777.46, and 777.49), section 16b as amended by 2008 PA 562, sections 34 and 40 as added by 1998 PA 317, section 46 as amended by 1999 PA 227, and section 49 as amended by 2002 PA 137.

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

House Bill No. 4093, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 625, 625a, 625g, and 625m (MCL 257.625, 257.625a, 257.625g, and 257.625m), section 625 as amended by 2012 PA 543, sections 625a and 625g as amended by 2003 PA 61, and section 625m as amended by 2008 PA 463.

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

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

House Bill No. 4131, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending sections 33 and 48 of chapter XVII (MCL 777.33 and 777.48), as amended by 2003 PA 134.

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

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

Statements

Senators Meekhof, Young, Caswell, Johnson, Jones and Colbeck asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Meekhof's statement is as follows:

I rise to speak because today is the last session day before Michigan's historic freedom-to-work legislation goes into effect. This new law is just one more tool in Michigan's economic toolbox that we can use to attract new business and expand and accelerate business here in Michigan.

I, for one, am sick and tired of seeing headlines about new and expanded auto-manufacturing facilities in other states. Volkswagen recently opened a new plant in Tennessee, BMW is expanding its plan in South Carolina, and Mercedes-Benz is exploring building a new factory in Alabama, in addition to their plant that is already there.

Why these states? They don't have the same kind of talented workforce that we do. They don't have the same kind of world-class universities that we do. They don't have the same track record for innovation that we do. But they are all freedom-to-work states.

When freedom to work takes effect in Michigan one week from today—March 28—we will finally be able to compete for these new manufacturing facilities. But just as important as bringing Michigan into a competitive economic position is the freedom Michigan's workers will finally have. For the first time, they will have the freedom to decide if their union is worth the money they have been paying in dues or not. If the union is providing a valuable service for their members, then their members should pay their dues happily. But if a union is not providing a valuable service, Michigan's workers will finally have the freedom to opt out. It is such a simple idea. It's baffling that it took this long to make it happen.

If I'm not happy with my cell phone provider, my oil change place, my barber, or any other service provider, I have the freedom to stop patronizing these organizations. Freedom to work extends this same basic economic freedom to Michigan's workers as well.

Freedom to work is coming. It's a great day for Michigan.

Senator Young's statement is as follows:

Mr. President, first of all, let me start like this: I hear my colleague on the opposite side of the aisle talk about freedom to work. I mean, first it was right to work; now it's freedom to work. This thing has transformed positions and what it does more times than a traffic light changes colors. Mr. President, the bottom line is right-to-work states earn \$5,538 less per year in terms of the worker, \$2,671 less per pupil, and you have a 52 percent higher workplace fatality rate. You have 14.2 percent of nonunion workers who are uninsured—14.2 percent more—not to mention less in pensions and not to mention the simple fact is this: If I live in a house and I don't pay my electricity bill, they cut off my electricity. If I have a car and I don't pay my car note, they take my car.

Now in this state, the birthplace of the union, the place of the Battle of the Overpass, the Flint Sit-down Strike, and we're going to engage in this type of union busting? I think it's absurd. If you're asking me personally, we might want to check to see if we live on Elm Street because right to work is going to be a nightmare.

The fact of the matter is this: This bill is not going to work. It's going to collapse under its own weight. The workers of Michigan deserve better. This is simply nothing more than the right to freeload. This is an assault on the working men and women of this state. It's not going to stand. It's going to be defeated. So support this at your own peril.

Senator Caswell's statement is as follows:

I would like to report back to the chamber on another item that we addressed in the DHS budget for this year. One of the issues that we had was the issue of felons who had not reported to court to address the felony charges against them. We passed a bill which allowed DHS to talk directly with the State Police and vice versa. Because of that bill, 800 felonies have been cleaned up across the state and were dismissed because the charges were not valid, so the records were cleared. Approximately another 1,000 folks came in and have now come to court and are facing their charges. Their records, one way or another, will be taken care of, either convicted guilty or declared innocent, but they will be off the docket. There is approximately another 2,500 felons who did not report, were not able to be found, who are getting welfare from the state of Michigan, and procedures are starting in order to eliminate those folks, because they have not come in, from the welfare rolls of the state. So in total, we're talking roughly 4,045 felony warrants that are going to be addressed and taken care of. If they are not, those people will no longer receive welfare.

Senator Johnson's statement is as follows:

A lot has been said about this right-to-work legislation that I hear the GOP continue to repackage. I know that a lot of us here believe that we get paid to minimize and sometimes hide some of what we do in this chamber, but I think it is really what it is.

To my good colleague from the 30th District, I just wanted to issue this challenge to you, if I might: I will meet you any place, any time, any day, whether in person physically or on any social media site, to debate this probably the most-failed legislation that has ever been passed in Michigan's history, couched under the worst set of lies and misinformation that I've heard in the last twelve years that I've been here.

If this is such a real issue and this is something that's going to turn our state around, I think we ought to hold this public forum; have this debate in front of the people we would not let in this chamber or in this building, and let the people decide for themselves after every talking point, after every fact is elicited, so that we might get at the truth; so that rather—as it has been put—historic day that is coming at the end of this month might actually be in the eyes of the voters and able to be turned over after they have the absolute truth.

This is not a challenge that I think should go unmet, that I shouldn't get an answer from before we walk out of this chamber. That goes for anybody on the GOP side. I'll meet you any time, any place, anywhere, physically or on any social media site, to debate the merits of this law. Let's see what the facts hold. Let's see who the people choose to side with.

Senator Jones' statement is as follows:

As long as we are on the topic of right to work, I noticed in one of the local media sources that yesterday a colleague, a State Representative from Detroit, suggested that women should have the right to work as prostitutes. In fact, she goes on to say that it should be legalized and unionized. My friends, human trafficking is a serious abomination. Women and children are being exploited, and we must do everything we can to stop it. To suggest that prostitution should be legalized and unionized is ridiculous. We must work hard to stop it and do everything in our power to make sure this exploitation is ended.

Senator Colbeck's statement is as follows:

I rise to discuss our favorite topic of the day here, which is about giving workers a simple choice. A lot of people call it right to work, but I want to make sure folks know exactly what this about and what it is not about. It is simply about giving workers a choice; it is whether or not they want to be part of the union or financially compensating it or not. I hear my colleagues on the other side of the aisle throwing a lot of stats out there. I can play statistician ping pong all day, but I want to focus people on how we got to the point that we are at.

You know, in the last census, Michigan was the only state in the nation that lost population. If you look at where those people were going by almost a 3-to-1 margin, they were going to right-to-work states. I hear a lot from my colleagues that they say you are getting higher income in forced unionization states than right-to-work states, and we have repeated many, many times that you can make the case that they get higher wages, but the key is to look at disposable income. What can you do with the money that you earn? It costs a lot more for a home in New York City or California, which are forced unionization states, than it does in other states that are right-to-work states, like Texas or Alabama or Florida. It is important that we actually put those stats that everyone likes to quote into context. What does it mean to the average Joe and Jill? What does it mean to the average taxpayer, average citizen in that state?

I have to tell you I am sick and tired of going off and shipping our citizens; when we educate them out of our high schools and our colleges, and then we ship them off to other states to find jobs. I'm so proud of this state for what it did and my colleagues here for passing right to work because it gives people an opportunity that they did not have before the passage of this landmark legislation.

I also hear this statement or this claim around freedom to freeloader. I want people to understand that there is no such thing as freedom to freeloader. If those collective bargaining agreements had terms in them that said "we are only going to negotiate upon behalf of our members," they can do that right now. If my colleagues on the other side of the aisle are not happy about that, then I would be happy to join arms with them and go to Washington, D.C., to help repeal Section 9(b) of the National Labor Relations Act, which seems to be where they are driving a lot of their comments around freedom to freeloader.

So the bottom line is we're giving people a landmark choice in the state of Michigan. It promises to give people an opportunity that they did not have before. I am looking forward to the fact that we're going to have more families sticking here at home because they are going to have more opportunities to live and grow and raise their families.

Committee Reports

The Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism reported

House Bill No. 4398, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32513 (MCL 324.32513), as amended by 2012 PA 247.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Goeffrey M. Hansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof and Casperson

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism reported

House Bill No. 4399, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32514 (MCL 324.32514), as added by 1995 PA 59.

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

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

Goeffrey M. Hansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof and Casperson

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism reported

House Bill No. 4400, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 30104 (MCL 324.30104), as amended by 2011 PA 218.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Goeffrey M. Hansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hansen, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Casperson and Young

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Outdoor Recreation and Tourism submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 8:30 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Hansen (C), Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Casperson and Young

Excused: Senators Moolenaar and Hopgood

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to amend 1992 PA 147, entitled "Neighborhood enterprise zone act," by amending section 2 (MCL 207.772), as amended by 2010 PA 9.

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

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 257, 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, 10a, 10b, 10c, 10e, 10f, 10g, 10h, 10i, 10k, and 10l (MCL 125.990, 125.990a, 125.990b, 125.990c, 125.990e, 125.990f, 125.990g, 125.990h, 125.990i, 125.990k, and 125.990l), as added by 2001 PA 260, and by adding section 10n; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 269, entitled

A bill to amend 2000 PA 489, entitled “Michigan trust fund act,” by amending sections 7 and 8 (MCL 12.257 and 12.258), section 7 as amended by 2009 PA 183 and section 8 as amended by 2011 PA 254.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled “Michigan strategic fund act,” by amending sections 88a, 88b, and 89c (MCL 125.2088a, 125.2088b, and 125.2089c), section 88a as amended by 2011 PA 22, section 88b as amended by 2012 PA 145, and section 89c as added by 2008 PA 98.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled “Michigan strategic fund act,” by amending sections 88r, 90a, 90b, 90c, and 90d (MCL 125.2088r, 125.2090a, 125.2090b, 125.2090c, and 125.2090d), section 88r as added by 2011 PA 250 and sections 90a, 90b, 90c, and 90d as amended by 2012 PA 395.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 272, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled "Michigan strategic fund act," by amending sections 4 and 23 (MCL 125.2004 and 125.2023), section 4 as amended by 2012 PA 145 and section 23 as amended by 2009 PA 85, and by adding section 7b.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

Senate Bill No. 278, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 270, entitled "Michigan strategic fund act," by amending section 88h (MCL 125.2088h), as amended by 2012 PA 145.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

House Bill No. 4052, entitled

A bill to amend 1950 (Ex Sess) PA 27, entitled "Motor vehicle sales finance act," by amending section 2 (MCL 492.102), as amended by 1995 PA 166.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic Development reported

House Bill No. 4053, entitled

A bill to amend 1966 PA 224, entitled "Retail installment sales act," by amending section 2 (MCL 445.852), as amended by 1995 PA 167.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Michael W. Kowall
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kowall, Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Economic Development submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 1:30 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, Hunter and Smith

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing submitted the following:
Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building
Present: Senators Jansen (C), Colbeck, Caspersen, Kowall, Robertson, Young and Warren

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Families, Seniors and Human Services submitted the following:
Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Emmons (C), Rocca and Nofs
Excused: Senator Gregory

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Joint Subcommittee on Capital Outlay submitted the following:
Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building
Present: Senators Booher (C), Schuitmaker, Jansen, Green, Moolenaar, Hood and Anderson

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes submitted the following:
Meeting held on Thursday, March 21, 2013, at 8:30 a.m., Room 210, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Caspersen (C), Pavlov, Green, Kowall, Meekhof and Warren
Absent: Senator Hood

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Agriculture submitted the following:
Meeting held on Thursday, March 21, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Hune (C), Booher, Emmons, Hansen and Smith

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Judiciary submitted the following:
Meeting held on Thursday, March 21, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., Room 100, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Proos (C) and Schuitmaker
Excused: Senator Johnson

Scheduled Meetings**Appropriations -****Subcommittees -**

General Government - Tuesday, April 9, 2:30 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

State Police and Military Affairs - Thursday, April 11, 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Senate Fiscal Agency Board of Governors - Thursday, April 11, 9:00 a.m., Room S-324, Capitol Building (373-2768)

State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee - Tuesday, March 26, 9:30 a.m., Legislative Council Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Boji Tower (373-0212)

Senator Meekhof moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:34 a.m.

Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 5, the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Hansen, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate

