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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, January 22, 2015.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Brian N. Calley.

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

Ananich—present  
Bieda—present  
Booher—present  
Brandenburg—excused  
Casperson—present  
Colbeck—present  
Emmons—present  
Green—present  
Gregory—present  
Hansen—present  
Hertel—present  
Hildenbrand—present  
Hood—present

Hopgood—excused  
Horn—present  
Hune—present  
Johnson—excused  
Jones—present  
Knezek—present  
Knollenberg—present  
Kowall—present  
MacGregor—present  
Marleau—present  
Meekhof—present  
Nofs—present  
O'Brien—present

Pavlov—present  
Proos—present  
Robertson—present  
Rocca—present  
Schmidt—present  
Schuitmaker—present  
Shirkey—present  
Smith—excused  
Stamas—present  
Warren—present  
Young—excused  
Zorn—present

Pastor Jeff Noble of Praise Baptist Church of Plymouth offered the following invocation:

Heavenly Father, we come before You this morning with rejoicing in the fact that we have another day in which we can do Your business and be about Your will. Father, I pray for this assembly here. God, I pray that You would just bless each and every one of them. Allow them to be sensitive to Your moving and Your directions.

God, I pray that we would always be sensitive to the fact that we are not here to look out for our own interests, but for the interests of others; that we were elected to be about the people's business and not about our own. God, I pray that each man and each woman here would remember that they are representing a people who have asked them to do their bidding and, God, that they would do it with great integrity; they would do it with honor and honesty; and all of the things, God, that You have told us in Your word.

I pray, Father, that if this day were to be our last day, we would be able to say that we were faithful to carry out Your will. Father, I am reminded of the words of King Solomon in the proverb that says, "Commit whatever you do to the Lord and it will succeed." God, may that be our hearts here this morning.

We thank You, Lord, for the gift of life, for Your love, and we pray, Father, that we would exemplify that in everything that we say and do here today; for it's in my Lord's name we pray. Amen.

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

### Motions and Communications

Senators Shirkey, Meekhof, Knezek and Hildenbrand entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Kowall moved that Senator Brandenburg be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hood moved that Senators Johnson, Hopgood, Smith and Young be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

The Secretary announced that the following bills and joint resolutions were printed and filed on Wednesday, January 21, and are available at the Michigan Legislature website:

|                                 |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Senate Bill Nos.</b>         | <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b> |
|                                 | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b> |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Senate Joint Resolutions</b> | <b>A</b>  | <b>B</b>  | <b>C</b>  | <b>D</b>  |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

### Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Kowall introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 25, entitled**

A bill to amend 1987 PA 231, entitled "An act to create a transportation economic development fund in the state treasury; to prescribe the uses of and distributions from this fund; to create the office of economic development and to prescribe its powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state transportation department, state transportation commission, and certain other bodies; and to permit the issuance of certain bonds," by amending section 9 (MCL 247.909), as amended by 1993 PA 149.

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

Senator Kowall introduced

#### **Senate Bill No. 26, entitled**

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 105, 2501, 2502a, 2503, 2504, 2504a, 2505, 2506, 2509, 2510, 2512, and 2512d (MCL 339.105, 339.2501, 339.2502a, 339.2503, 339.2504, 339.2504a, 339.2505, 339.2506, 339.2509, 339.2510, 339.2512, and 339.2512d), section 105 as amended by 1988 PA 463, sections 2501 and 2512 as amended and section 2512d as added by 2008 PA 90, sections 2502a and 2504 as amended and section 2504a as added by 2014 PA 106, section 2503 as amended by 1990 PA 269, section 2505 as amended by 2003 PA 196, section 2506 as amended by 2011 PA 33, and section 2509 as amended by 1988 PA 16, and by adding sections 2502b, 2512e, 2512f, 2516, and 2516a.

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

Senators Jones, Colbeck, MacGregor, Marleau, Zorn and Robertson introduced

**Senate Bill No. 27, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 2835 (MCL 333.2835), as amended by 2012 PA 499, and by adding section 2839.

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

Senators Bieda, Jones, Rocca, Hertel, Johnson, Hood, Young, Knezek, Kowall and Knollenberg introduced

**Senate Bill No. 28, 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, Bieda, Rocca, Hertel, Johnson, Hood, Young, Knezek, Kowall and Knollenberg introduced

**Senate Bill No. 29, 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, section 34 as added by 1998 PA 317, section 40 as amended by 2014 PA 350, 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.

Senator Knezek introduced

**Senate Bill No. 30, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 30 (MCL 206.30), as amended by 2012 PA 597.

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

### Statements

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Schuitmaker's statement is as follows:

I would like to take a moment to share with my colleagues the remarkable life of a friend and mentor who passed away last week. Shirley Jackson was a longtime resident of Van Buren County and a leader in our community. Throughout her life, she was actively involved in public service. The list of her contributions is long, but I would like to highlight just a few.

As a woman, Shirley broke a lot of barriers in her lifetime that paved the way for other women to run for office. She became the first woman Van Buren County commissioner in 1976, and she became the first woman to serve as county clerk in 1982, a position she held for over 20 years.

She was also honored throughout her life for her work in the Republican Party, including receiving the 60 years of service award in 2011. Something she considered one of her greatest achievements came in 1988 when she cast a vote for George H.W. Bush as one of Michigan's electors.

I owe much of my political success in life to Shirley. She courageously explored uncharted waters and made it possible for women to play a more active role in government. She will be deeply missed, but her legacy will live on.

I would like to express my condolences to her friends and family as they grieve, but they should take comfort in the fact that Van Buren County has been permanently changed for the better because of Shirley's extraordinary life.

### Scheduled Meetings

#### Appropriations -

##### Subcommittees -

**Agriculture and Rural Development** - Tuesdays, February 17, March 10, March 17, and March 24, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**General Government and Economic Development** - Thursday, January 29, 1:30 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**State Police and Military Affairs** - Thursdays, January 29 (CANCELED), February 19 (CANCELED), February 26 (CANCELED), March 5 (CANCELED), March 12 (CANCELED), and March 26 (CANCELED), 1:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, February 3, February 17, February 24, March 3, March 10, and March 24, 8:30 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Economic Development and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee** - Thursday, January 29, 1:30 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-5312)

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate adjourn.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:15 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Calley, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

JEFFREY F. COBB  
Secretary of the Senate