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2:00 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.

Allen—present	Frank—present	Kuipers—present	Rison—present
Baird—present	Garcia—present	Kukuk—present	Rivet—present
Basham—present	Garza—present	LaForge—present	Rocca—present
Birkholz—present	Geiger—present	LaSata—present	Sanborn—present
Bisbee—present	Gielegem—present	Law—present	Schauer—present
Bishop—present	Gilbert—present	Lemmons—present	Schermesser—present
Bogardus—present	Godchaux—present	Lockwood—present	Scott—present
Bovin—present	Gosselin—present	Mans—present	Scranton—present
Bradstreet—present	Green—present	Martinez—present	Shackleton—present
Brater—present	Hager—present	Mead—present	Sheltrown—present
Brewer—present	Hale—present	Middaugh—present	Shulman—present
Brown, Bob—present	Hanley—present	Minore—present	Spade—present
Brown, Cameron—present	Hansen—present	Mortimer—present	Stallworth—present
Byl—present	Hardman—present	Neumann—present	Stamas—present
Callahan—present	Hart—present	O’Neil—present	Switalski—present
Cassis—present	Howell—present	Pappageorge—present	Tabor—present
Caul—present	Jacobs—present	Patterson—present	Tesanovich—present
Cherry—present	Jamnick—present	Perricone—present	Thomas—present
Clark—present	Jansen—present	Pestka—present	Toy—present
Clarke—present	Jelinek—present	Price—present	Vander Roest—present
Daniels—present	Jellema—present	Prusi—present	Van Woerkom—present
DeHart—present	Johnson, Rick—present	Pumford—present	Vaughn—present
Dennis—present	Johnson, Ruth—present	Quarles—present	Vear—present
DeRossett—present	Julian—present	Raczkowski—present	Voorhees—present
DeVuyst—present	Kelly—present	Reeves—present	Wojno—present
DeWeese—present	Kilpatrick—present	Richardville—present	Woodward—present
Ehardt—present	Koetje—present	Richner—present	Woronchak—present
Faunce—present	Kowall—present		

e/d/s = entered during session

Dr. R. M. Mukhtar Curtis, spokesperson for the Islamic Center in Ann Arbor and a chaplain for the Federal Correctional Institution in Milan offered the following invocation:

“Alhamdulillah, the praise belongs to God, the God of our forefathers, the protector of our country and state, the grantor of our bounties and of our might. High is He, our Creator above every imperfection and need. He is pure and perfect, to Him belongs the praise. He is the one whose presence via His knowledge is necessary, and whose absence in this manner is impossible. He knows what was, is, and will be, and what would have been, but will not be. We beg of You our Lord, to grant each of us a conscience wherewith You will be pleased. We ask for guidance from You, and for You to make us pleased with it. We know that there is no victory without patience and perseverance, no difficulty without a result of ease, and no help that is a true help, but that it comes from You. Amen.”

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4099, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1284b.

(The bill was not passed, motion made to reconsider the vote by which the House did not pass the bill and bill postponed for the day on June 17, see House Journal No. 57, p. 1696.)

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 802

Yeas—58

Allen	Gilbert	LaSata	Rocca
Birkholz	Godchaux	Law	Sanborn
Bisbee	Gosselin	Lemmons	Scranton
Bishop	Green	Mead	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Hager	Middaugh	Sheltrown
Byl	Howell	Mortimer	Shulman
Cassis	Jansen	Neumann	Stamas
Caul	Jelinek	Pappageorge	Tabor
DeRossett	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Toy
DeVuyst	Johnson, Ruth	Perricone	Van Woerkom
DeWeese	Julian	Pumford	Vander Roest
Ehardt	Koetje	Raczkowski	Vear
Faunce	Kowall	Richardville	Voorhees
Garcia	Kuipers	Richner	Woronchak
Geiger	Kukuk		

Nays—48

Baird	Daniels	Kelly	Rison
Basham	DeHart	Kilpatrick	Rivet
Bogardus	Dennis	LaForge	Schauer
Bovin	Frank	Mans	Schermesser
Brater	Garza	Martinez	Scott
Brewer	Gielegem	Minore	Spade
Brown, B.	Hale	O’Neil	Stallworth
Brown, C.	Hanley	Pestka	Switalski
Callahan	Hansen	Price	Tesanovich
Cherry	Hardman	Prusi	Thomas
Clark, I.	Jacobs	Quarles	Wojno
Clarke, H.	Jamnick	Reeves	Woodward

In The Chair: Birkholz

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4601, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 2837. The bill was read a second time.

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

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-2) offered by Rep. Scott,

Rep. LaForge demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-2) offered by Rep. Scott,

The substitute (H-2) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 803

Yeas—37

Baird	Garza	LaForge	Schauer
Bogardus	Gielegem	Lemmons	Schermesser
Brater	Godchaux	Martinez	Scott
Brewer	Hale	Minore	Stallworth
Cherry	Hanley	Price	Switalski
Clark, I.	Hansen	Prusi	Tesanovich
Clarke, H.	Hardman	Quarles	Thomas
Daniels	Jacobs	Reeves	Vaughn
DeHart	Jamnick	Rison	Woodward
Dennis			

Nays—69

Allen	Garcia	Kuipers	Richardville
Basham	Geiger	Kukuk	Richner
Birkholz	Gilbert	LaSata	Rivet
Bisbee	Gosselin	Law	Rocca
Bishop	Green	Lockwood	Sanborn
Bovin	Hager	Mans	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Hart	Mead	Sheltrown
Brown, B.	Howell	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, C.	Jansen	Mortimer	Spade
Byl	Jelinek	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Jellema	O'Neil	Tabor
Cassiss	Johnson, Rick	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Caul	Johnson, Ruth	Patterson	Vander Roest
DeRossett	Julian	Perricone	Vear
DeVuyst	Kelly	Pestka	Voorhees
DeWeese	Koetje	Pumford	Wojno
Faunce	Kowall	Rackowski	Woronchak
Frank			

In The Chair: Birkholz

Reps. Birkholz and O'Neil moved to substitute (H-3) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-3) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Quarles moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after "PHYSICIAN" by inserting "OR A DENTIST WHO PERFORMS SURGICAL PROCEDURES OTHER THAN ABORTIONS".

2. Amend page 1, line 3, after "PHYSICIAN'S" by inserting "OR DENTIST'S".

3. Amend page 1, line 5, after "ABORTION" by inserting "PERFORMED BY A PHYSICIAN OR A SURGICAL PROCEDURE PERFORMED BY A DENTIST".

4. Amend page 1, line 8, after "ABORTION" by inserting "AND OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES".

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Quarles,

Rep. Quarles demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Quarles,

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

Roll Call No. 804

Yeas—37

Baird	Dennis	Jamnick	Reeves
Basham	Garza	Kilpatrick	Rison
Bogardus	Gielegem	LaForge	Schauer
Brater	Godchaux	Lemmons	Schermesser
Brewer	Hale	Martinez	Scott
Cherry	Hanley	Minore	Stallworth
Clark, I.	Hansen	Price	Tesanovich
Clarke, H.	Hardman	Prusi	Vaughn
Daniels	Jacobs	Quarles	Woodward
DeHart			

Nays—70

Allen	Garcia	Kukuk	Richner
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Rivet
Bisbee	Gilbert	Law	Rocca
Bishop	Gosselin	Lockwood	Sanborn
Bovin	Green	Mans	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown
Brown, B.	Hart	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Spade
Byl	Jansen	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Jelinek	O'Neil	Switalski
Cassis	Jellema	Pappageorge	Tabor
Caul	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Perricone	Vander Roest
DeVuyst	Julian	Pestka	Vear
DeWeese	Kelly	Pumford	Voorhees
Ehardt	Koetje	Rackowski	Wojno
Faunce	Kowall	Richardville	Woronchak
Frank	Kuipers		

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Martinez moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after "PHYSICIAN" by inserting "OR OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE 15 WHOSE SCOPE OF PRACTICE DEFINITION ALLOWS HIM OR HER TO PERFORM 1 OR

MORE SURGICAL PROCEDURES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A DENTIST OR A PODIATRIST LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE 15.”.

2. Amend page 1, line 3, after “PHYSICIAN’S” by inserting a comma and “OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONAL’S, DENTIST’S, OR PODIATRIST’S”.

3. Amend page 1, line 5, after “ABORTION” by inserting “OR OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURE”.

4. Amend page 1, line 8, after “ABORTION” by inserting “AND OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES”.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Martinez, Rep. Martinez demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Martinez,

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

Roll Call No. 805

Yeas—32

Baird	Garza	Jannick	Schauer
Bogardus	Gielegem	Kilpatrick	Schermesser
Brater	Godchaux	LaForge	Scott
Cherry	Hale	Lemmons	Stallworth
Clark, I.	Hanley	Minore	Tesanovich
Clarke, H.	Hansen	Price	Thomas
DeHart	Hardman	Prusi	Vaughn
Dennis	Jacobs	Rison	Woodward

Nays—71

Allen	Frank	Kuipers	Richner
Basham	Garcia	Kukuk	Rivet
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Rocca
Bisbee	Gilbert	Law	Sanborn
Bishop	Gosselin	Lockwood	Shackleton
Bovin	Green	Mans	Sheltrown
Bradstreet	Hager	Mead	Shulman
Brown, B.	Hart	Middaugh	Spade
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Stamas
Byl	Jansen	Neumann	Switalski
Callahan	Jelinek	O’Neil	Tabor
Cassis	Jellema	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Caul	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Vander Roest
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Pestka	Vear
DeVuyst	Julian	Pumford	Voorhees
DeWeese	Kelly	Raczkowski	Wojno
Ehardt	Koetje	Reeves	Woronchak
Faunce	Kowall	Richardville	

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Dennis moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after “PHYSICIAN” by inserting “WHO PERFORMS ABORTIONS AND OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES”.

2. Amend page 1, line 5, after “ABORTION” by inserting “OR OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURE”.

3. Amend page 1, line 8, after “ABORTION” by inserting “AND OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURES”.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Dennis,
Rep. Dennis demanded the yeas and nays.
The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Dennis,
The amendments were not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 806**Yeas—36**

Baird	Garza	Kilpatrick	Schauer
Bogardus	Gielegem	LaForge	Schermesser
Brater	Godchaux	Lemmons	Scott
Cherry	Hale	Martinez	Stallworth
Clark, I.	Hanley	Minore	Switalski
Clarke, H.	Hansen	Price	Tesanovich
Daniels	Hardman	Prusi	Thomas
DeHart	Jacobs	Quarles	Vaughn
Dennis	Jamnick	Rison	Woodward

Nays—70

Allen	Frank	Kuipers	Reeves
Basham	Garcia	Kukuk	Richardville
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Richner
Bisbee	Gilbert	Law	Rivet
Bishop	Gosselin	Lockwood	Rocca
Bovin	Green	Mans	Sanborn
Bradstreet	Hager	Mead	Shackleton
Brown, B.	Hart	Middaugh	Sheltrown
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Shulman
Byl	Jansen	Neumann	Spade
Callahan	Jelinek	O'Neil	Stamas
Cassis	Jellema	Pappageorge	Tabor
Caul	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Perricone	Vander Roest
DeVuyst	Julian	Pestka	Vear
DeWeese	Kelly	Pumford	Wojno
Ehardt	Koetje	Rackowski	Woronchak
Faunce	Kowall		

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Scranton moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after "PHYSICIAN" by inserting a comma and "DENTIST, PODIATRIST, OR OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE 15 WHOSE SCOPE OF PRACTICE DEFINITION ALLOWS HIM OR HER TO PERFORM A SURGICAL PROCEDURE".

2. Amend page 1, line 3, after "PHYSICIAN'S" by inserting a comma and "DENTIST'S, PODIATRIST'S, OR OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONAL'S".

3. Amend page 1, line 5, after "OF" by striking out "AN ABORTION" and inserting "A SURGICAL PROCEDURE".

4. Amend page 1, line 8, after "ON" by striking out "ABORTION" and inserting "SURGICAL PROCEDURES".

5. Amend page 2, following line 11, by inserting:

"(5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SURGICAL PROCEDURE" MEANS AN INCISIVE OR INVASIVE PROCEDURE THAT INVOLVES THE USE OF SURGICAL INSTRUMENTATION."

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Scranton, Rep. Raczkowski moved that consideration of the amendments be postponed temporarily. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that consideration of the bill be postponed for the day. The motion prevailed.

House Bill No. 4600, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 2835 (MCL 333.2835) and by adding section 2837.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-2) offered by Rep. Scott,

Rep. Scott demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-2) offered by Rep. Scott,

The substitute (H-2) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 807

Yeas—37

Baird	Garza	Kilpatrick	Schauer
Bogardus	Gielegem	LaForge	Schermesser
Brater	Godchaux	Lemmons	Scott
Brewer	Hale	Martinez	Stallworth
Cherry	Hanley	Minore	Switalski
Clark, I.	Hansen	Price	Tesanovich
Clarke, H.	Hardman	Prusi	Thomas
Daniels	Jacobs	Quarles	Vaughn
DeHart	Jamnick	Rison	Woodward
Dennis			

Nays—71

Allen	Frank	Kuipers	Richardville
Basham	Garcia	Kukuk	Richner
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Rivet
Bisbee	Gilbert	Law	Rocca
Bishop	Gosselin	Lockwood	Sanborn
Bovin	Green	Mans	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown
Brown, B.	Hart	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Spade
Byl	Jansen	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Jelinek	O'Neil	Tabor
Cassis	Jellema	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Caul	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Vander Roest
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Perricone	Vear
DeVuyst	Julian	Pestka	Voorhees
DeWeese	Kelly	Pumford	Wojno
Ehardt	Koetje	Raczkowski	Woronchak
Faunce	Kowall	Reeves	

Rep. Bisbee moved to substitute (H-3) the bill.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-3) offered by Rep. Bisbee,

Rep. Bisbee demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute (H-3) offered by Rep. Bisbee,

The substitute (H-3) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 808

Yeas—72

Allen	Garcia	Kuipers	Richardville
Birkholz	Geiger	Kukuk	Richner
Bisbee	Gielegem	LaSata	Rivet
Bishop	Gilbert	Law	Rocca
Bovin	Gosselin	Lockwood	Sanborn
Bradstreet	Green	Mans	Shackleton
Brown, B.	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown
Brown, C.	Hart	Middaugh	Shulman
Byl	Howell	Mortimer	Spade
Callahan	Jansen	Neumann	Stamas
Cassis	Jelinek	O'Neil	Switalski
Caul	Jellema	Pappageorge	Tabor
DeRossett	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeVuyst	Johnson, Ruth	Perricone	Vander Roest
DeWeese	Julian	Pestka	Vear
Ehardt	Kelly	Pumford	Voorhees
Faunce	Koetje	Rackowski	Wojno
Frank	Kowall	Reeves	Woronchak

Nays—36

Baird	DeHart	Jamnick	Rison
Basham	Dennis	Kilpatrick	Schauer
Bogardus	Garza	LaForge	Schermesser
Brater	Godchaux	Lemmons	Scott
Brewer	Hale	Martinez	Stallworth
Cherry	Hanley	Minore	Tesanovich
Clark, I.	Hansen	Price	Thomas
Clarke, H.	Hardman	Prusi	Vaughn
Daniels	Jacobs	Quarles	Woodward

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Hale moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 6, after "ABORTION" by inserting "OR OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURE".

2. Amend page 1, following line 10, by inserting:

"(C) "SURGICAL PROCEDURE" MEANS AN INCISIVE OR INVASIVE PROCEDURE THAT INVOLVES THE USE OF SURGICAL INSTRUMENTATION."

3. Amend page 3, following line 16, by inserting:

"(4) A PODIATRIST LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE 15 WHO PERFORMS A SURGICAL PROCEDURE SHALL REPORT THE PERFORMANCE OF THAT SURGICAL PROCEDURE TO THE DEPARTMENT ON A FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE REPORT SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE DIRECTOR NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS, BUT NOT MORE THAN 60 DAYS, AFTER THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE. EACH REPORT TRANSMITTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL CONTAIN ONLY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND NO OTHER INFORMATION:

(A) THE AGE OF THE PATIENT AT THE TIME OF THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE.

(B) THE CITY, TOWNSHIP, COUNTY, AND STATE IN WHICH THE PATIENT RESIDED AT THE TIME OF THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE.

(C) THE LOCATION AND TYPE OF FACILITY IN WHICH THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE WAS PERFORMED.

(D) THE SOURCE OF REFERRAL TO THE PODIATRIST PERFORMING THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE.

(E) THE DATE THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE WAS PERFORMED.

(F) A PHYSICAL COMPLICATION OR DEATH RESULTING FROM THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE AND OBSERVED BY THE PODIATRIST PERFORMING THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE OR REPORTED TO THE PODIATRIST OR HIS OR HER AGENT BEFORE THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS TRANSMITTED TO THE DIRECTOR.” and renumbering the remaining subsections.

4. Amend page 3, line 17, after “(2)” by inserting “OR (4)”.

5. Amend page 3, line 18, after “woman” by inserting “OR OTHER PATIENT”.

6. Amend page 3, line 18, after “as” by inserting “HIS OR”.

7. Amend page 3, line 23, after “abortion” by inserting “OR OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURE”.

8. Amend page 3, line 27, after “abortion” by inserting “OR OTHER SURGICAL PROCEDURE”.

9. Amend page 4, line 2, after “abortion” by inserting “OR THE IDENTITY OF A PATIENT OBTAINING OR SEEKING TO OBTAIN A SURGICAL PROCEDURE OTHER THAN AN ABORTION”.

10. Amend page 4, line 12, after “DATA” by inserting “SUMMARIZING THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN EACH REPORT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (2)”.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Hale,

Rep. Hale demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Hale,

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

Roll Call No. 809

Yeas—33

Baird	Gielegthem	LaForge	Rison
Bogardus	Hale	Lemmons	Schauer
Brater	Hanley	Martinez	Schermesser
Brewer	Hansen	Minore	Scott
Cherry	Hardman	Price	Stallworth
Daniels	Jacobs	Prusi	Tesanovich
DeHart	Jamnick	Quarles	Vaughn
Dennis	Kilpatrick	Reeves	Woodward
Garza			

Nays—72

Allen	Faunce	Kowall	Richardville
Basham	Frank	Kuipers	Richner
Birkholz	Garcia	Kukuk	Rivet
Bisbee	Geiger	LaSata	Rocca
Bishop	Gilbert	Law	Sanborn
Bovin	Gosselin	Lockwood	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Green	Mans	Sheltrown
Brown, B.	Hager	Mead	Shulman
Brown, C.	Hart	Middaugh	Spade
Byl	Howell	Mortimer	Stamas
Callahan	Jansen	Neumann	Switalski
Cassis	Jelinek	O’Neil	Tabor
Caul	Jellema	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Clarke, H.	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Vander Roest

DeRossett
DeVuyst
DeWeese
Ehardt

Johnson, Ruth
Julian
Kelly
Koetje

Perricone
Pestka
Pumford
Raczkowski

Vear
Voorhees
Wojno
Woronchak

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Raczkowski moved that consideration of the bill be postponed for the day.
The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Tuesday, June 15:

Senate Bill Nos. 642 643 644 645 646 647 648 649 650 651

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Monday, June 21, for his approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4300 at 1:52 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4302 at 1:54 p.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Wednesday, June 23, for his approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4408 at 1:44 p.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Thursday, June 24, for his approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4240 at 1:47 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4298 at 1:49 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4386 at 1:51 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4471 at 1:53 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4472 at 1:55 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4691 at 1:57 p.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4733 at 1:59 p.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Friday, June 25, for his approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4065 at 10:23 a.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Tuesday, June 29, for his approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4299 at 10:56 a.m.
Enrolled House Bill No. 4301 at 10:58 a.m.

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Tuesday, June 29:

House Bill Nos. 4796 4797 4798 4799 4800 4801 4802 4804 4805 4806 4807 4808 4809 4810
4811 4812 4813 4814 4815 4816 4817 4818 4819 4820 4821 4822 4823 4824
4825 4826 4827 4828 4829 4830 4831 4832 4833

House Joint Resolution K

Senate Bill Nos. 652 653 654 655 656 657 658 659 660 661 662 663 664 665
667 668 669 670 671 672 673 674 675 676 677 678 679 680

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Wednesday, June 30:

House Bill No. 4803
Senate Bill No. 666

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Thursday, July 1, for his approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4744 at 10:06 a.m.

Enrolled House Bill No. 4745 at 10:08 a.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Tuesday, July 6, for his approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4498 at 11:02 a.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Friday, July 9, for his approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4489 at 10:12 a.m.

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Wednesday, July 14, for his approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4075 at 9:55 a.m.

Messages from the Governor

The following veto message from the Governor was received and read:

Executive Office, Lansing, July 8, 1999

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have vetoed and am returning to you herewith, **Enrolled House Bill 4691**.

As you know, this legislation, in conjunction with Enrolled Senate Bill 466, exempts dust control chemicals from the state's Sales and Use taxes. The exemption is both prospective and retroactive to May 29, 1990.

A major component of my Taxpayer's Agenda of 1999 was across-the-board income tax relief for all of Michigan's taxpayers. In May, I proposed another broad tax cut: elimination of the state's Single Business Tax. This type of relief confers benefits to all of Michigan's taxpayers, not just a limited few in a specific industry.

Enrolled House Bill 4691 provides a limited exemption to the state's Use Tax for a specific industry. While the goal of the legislation may be laudable, encouraging privatization in local governmental services, it does not fit with my goal of across-the-board tax relief. It is my belief that if the prudent public policy is to encourage privatization through tax exemptions, then all private contractors of local governments should benefit, not just a select few.

For this reason, I am returning Enrolled House Bill 4691 without signature.

Sincerely,
John Engler
Governor

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.
The motion prevailed.

The following line items veto message from the Governor was received and read:

Executive Office, Lansing, June 30, 1999

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have signed **Enrolled House Bill 4302**, the Fiscal Year 2000 appropriations bill for higher education. However, I am returning it to you because of items of which I disapprove pursuant to Article V, Section 19, of the Michigan Constitution. The specific vetoes are contained in the attached copy of the bill, which has been filed with the Secretary of State.

The Fiscal Year 2000 higher education budget and related legislation marks the beginning of a revolutionary change in the way Michigan supports its higher education system. While maintaining the unique autonomy of Michigan's universities, this budget:

- Acknowledges the existence of historical funding inequities among universities and begins to address those disparities with the establishment of five tiers to group universities with similar missions and similar programs. This budget narrows inequities in funding within these tiers by establishing minimum per pupil funding floors for each tier and providing additional funds to universities below the funding floors. My future executive budget recommendations will use these tiers to continue to address funding inequities between our universities.
- Encourages higher education accessibility for Michigan citizens by providing incentives to universities to limit resident undergraduate tuition and fee increases to 3% or less.
- Rewards students who master basic skills in math, reading, science and writing. The Michigan Merit Award, appropriated at \$86.3 million, provides scholarships of up to \$2,500 to students who demonstrate their academic achievement by taking the MEAP test and either passing all four components of that test or other standardized tests.

Universities will receive a 5.4% increase for operations, more than twice the projected rate of inflation. This marks the sixth consecutive year that the state aid increase has been at or above inflation. Over this period, state-operating support will have increased by 29%, compared to inflation of 16%.

An additional \$28.5 million in Fiscal Year 1999 supplemental support is provided in Public Act 69 of 1999 for special maintenance, equipment and technology needs, bringing total university support to 7.4%—over three times the rate of inflation!

The higher education budget also increases state support for our independent colleges and universities by increasing tuition grants to students and degree reimbursement grants to institutions by 3.3%—well above the projected inflation rate of 2.4%. An additional \$1.4 million for special maintenance, equipment and technology needs is provided in Public Act 69 of 1999. In addition \$1.6 million is allocated under the General Degree Reimbursement Program to encourage tuition restraint for independent colleges and universities.

I believe that directly tying appropriations to tuition restraint will be more effective in making higher education affordable than the tuition tax credit. Therefore, I continue to support repeal of the Michigan tuition tax credit and request that this be one of the highest priorities of the Legislature when it returns in September.

I am vetoing two items which direct spending to specific projects. These vetoes are \$150,000 for the Michigan-Latvian economic development project at the Agricultural Experiment Station and a \$300,000 Fiscal Year 1999 supplemental for Northern Michigan University.

The signing of this bill providing Fiscal Year 2000 operating support, in combination with the Fiscal Year 1999 supplemental funding provided in Public Act 69 of 1999, demonstrates the high priority we continue to give to our higher education programs; fundamentally improves the way we allocate state support to our universities; and provides Michigan citizens greater accessibility to higher education opportunities.

Sincerely,
John Engler
Governor

The bill was signed by the Governor June 30, 1999, at 11:45 a.m.

July 1, 1999

Attached is a certified copy of Enrolled House Bill No. 4302 along with a copy of the veto message of the Governor. The official bill as approved by the Governor is open for your inspection in my office.

Yours truly,
Gary L. Randall
Clerk of the House of Representatives

This bill was filed with the Secretary of State June 30, 1999, at 4:05 p.m. and assigned Public Act No. 93, I.E.

The question being on the passage of the disapproved items, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
The motion prevailed.

The following line item veto message from the Governor was received and read:

Executive Office, Lansing, July 13, 1999

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48909
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have signed **Enrolled House Bill 4299**, the Fiscal Year 2000 Department of Community Health appropriation. However, I am returning it to you because of an item of which I disapprove, pursuant to Article V,

Section 19, of the Michigan Constitution. The specific item vetoed is contained within the attached copy of the bill that has been filed with the Secretary of State.

The bill you sent me includes many worthwhile program enhancements, including:

- Elder Prescription Insurance Coverage (EPIC) - The bill utilizes funding from the settlement of our litigation with tobacco manufacturers to finance a major new pharmaceutical assistance program for the state's senior citizens;
- Medicaid base and rate increases - The bill appropriates over \$400 million in Medicaid funding increases, including rate increases for all providers;
- Nursing home wage pass through - The bill includes a \$33.6 million increase to finance \$.75 per hour wage and benefit enhancements for nursing home workers;
- Long term care innovation grants - The bill appropriates \$10 million of tobacco settlement revenue for one time long term care innovation grants;
- Aging - The bill also includes \$3 million for a long-term care policy advisor as well as an additional \$3 million for respite care; and
- Substantial funding increases for local public health operations and state administered public health services.

One appropriation, however, deviates unacceptably from my recommendations. I have vetoed a portion of Section 1124 because it sets a precedent of using state funds to finance a capital project for an agency with which the state has a contractual relationship. It also inappropriately uses Healthy Michigan Fund resources to pay for a non-health related project.

I appreciate the Legislature's cooperation in the development of the appropriations act for this department.

Sincerely,
John Engler
Governor

The bill was signed by the Governor July 13, 1999, at 8:50 a.m.

July 13, 1999

Attached is a certified copy of Enrolled House Bill No. 4299 along with a copy of the veto message of the Governor. The official bill as approved by the Governor is open for your inspection in my office.

Yours truly,
Gary L. Randall
Clerk of the House of Representatives

This bill was filed with the Secretary of State July 13, 1999, at 10:02 a.m. and assigned Public Act No. 114, I.E.

The question being on the passage of the disapproved item, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
The motion prevailed.

The following line items veto message from the Governor was received and read:

Executive Office, Lansing, July 19, 1999

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have signed **Enrolled House Bill 4498**. However, I am returning it to you because of two sections of which I disapprove pursuant to Article V, Section 19, of the Michigan Constitution. The sections vetoed are contained within the attached copy of the bill, which has been filed with the Secretary of State.

Enrolled House Bill 4498 contains supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 and a comprehensive Fiscal Year 2001 budget as well. Enrolled House Bill 4498 appropriates an additional \$48.8 million from School Aid Fund revenue in fiscal year 1999 and \$224.1 million from School Aid Fund revenue in Fiscal Year 2000. State resources dedicated to school aid for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 total over \$9.5 billion and \$10 billion, respectively. The Fiscal Year 2001 budget totals over \$10.5 billion, an increase of \$443 million (4.4%) over the Fiscal Year 2000 appropriation.

The basic foundation allowance for Fiscal Year 1999 remains at \$5,462. For Fiscal Year 2000, the basic foundation allowance will increase by \$234, or 4.3%, over Fiscal Year 1999, compared to a projected CPI increase of 2.4%. The foundation allowance in Fiscal Year 2001 will increase 3%, or \$170 per pupil, over the Fiscal Year 2000 basic foundation allowance.

Fiscal Year 2001 further closes the funding gap between the lowest spending districts and the higher spending districts by achieving one of the major goals of Proposal A - no district will receive less than the basic foundation allowance.

Adopting a Fiscal Year 2001 budget will also allow local school districts to plan into the future and save on borrowing costs or invest reserve funds more wisely.

I commend the Legislature on their action related to the following initiatives:

- The membership blend definition is revised from a 40/60 average of the prior February count and the current fall count, to a 25/75 membership blend in Fiscal Year 2000 and a 20/80 membership blend in Fiscal Year 2001. This meets the goal of providing faster growing districts with additional funding while assisting declining enrollment districts in gradually adapting to the change. I continue to support the use of at least one count day in the second semester to determine pupil membership to encourage districts to retain pupils enrolled in the previous fall.
- The bill includes making supplemental payments to hold harmless districts for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, to ensure that they receive an increase equal to the dollar increase in the basic foundation allowance for each corresponding year.
- Parents are provided more educational choices by expanding Schools of Choice enrollment options in two ways: removing the ISD boundaries for contiguous districts and by opening a second semester enrollment period.
- The bill appropriates \$5 million in Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 to award competitive grants to school districts for providing pilot reading improvement programs for pupils in grades K-3. This program is compatible with the Reading Plan for Michigan and my goal of having all children read at grade level by the time they reach fourth grade. There are, however, technical flaws in terms of eligibility that we will need to work out.
- Allows children of working parents to take advantage of school readiness programs by providing \$5 million in competitive grants to expand partial day school readiness programs to a full day, including both instruction and supplementary day care.
- Provides \$13.2 million in Fiscal Year 1999 and \$6.9 million in both Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, for payments to school districts to fully fund the estimated state mandated share of school lunch programs as required in the *Durant I* settlement.
- Provides an additional \$611,800 for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 to fully fund nine math and science centers that have expanded programs to enhance student services in accordance with the master plan for math/science centers.

However, there are two district-specific categorical provisions in Enrolled House Bill 4498 that concern me. One of the basic principles of the school finance reform package, adopted by the voters in 1994, was to provide districts with unrestricted state aid in order to maximize local decision-making and to close the gap between lower spending and higher spending districts. The institution of new categoricals and other district specific proposals diverts funds from both of those goals. For those reasons, I am vetoing two sections which appear below:

- Sec. 20K pays state dollars to specific districts that rolled back millages before the passage of Proposal A. The cost of this proposal is \$5 million in Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.
- Sec. 34 adds \$60,000 in Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 to provide for grants to specific districts for Project Jumpstart.

Legislative action, modified by these vetoes, demonstrates a continuing commitment to our future. Thank you for your work on behalf of Michigan's children.

Sincerely,
John Engler
Governor

The bill was signed by the Governor July 19, 1999, at 10:15 a.m.

July 20, 1999

Attached is a certified copy of Enrolled House Bill No. 4498 along with a copy of the veto message of the Governor. The official bill as approved by the Governor is open for your inspection in my office.

Yours truly,
Gary L. Randall
Clerk of the House of Representatives

This bill was filed with the Secretary of State July 20, 1999, at 9:57 a.m. and assigned Public Act No. 119, I.E.

The question being on the passage of the disapproved items, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that House Committees be given leave to meet during the balance of today's session.
The motion prevailed.

The following message from the Governor was received June 28, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 1999 - 5

**Michigan Insurance Bureau
Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation
Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services**

Executive Reorganization

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization or in the assignment of functions among its units that he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation of the Department of Consumer and Industry Services is the primary state department with regulatory responsibility for the Michigan's workers' compensation program pursuant to Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, being Section 418.101 *et seq.* of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of workers' compensation self-insurance in the state of Michigan from its creation by the legislature, through 1998, the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation has had sole responsibility for the regulation of both individual self-insured employers and self-insured employer groups; and

WHEREAS, self-insured group funds consist of employers in the same industry that jointly and severally guarantee payment of workers' compensation benefits to employees of members of the fund that are injured in the course of their employment, and public employers of the same type of unit that jointly guarantee payment; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation under the Workers' Compensation Disability Act, Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, being Section 418.611(b)(2) of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is required to approve such self-insured group funds before they can provide such coverage; and

WHEREAS, Section 2016 of Act No. 457 of the Public Acts of 1998, being Section 500.2016 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, created in the Insurance Code, provides that certain practices by workers' compensation self-insured group funds are unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts or practices in the business of insurance; and that enforcement and oversight of these practices would be handled by Michigan Insurance Bureau; and

WHEREAS, it is organizationally sound and appropriate to continue to concentrate sole regulation of workers' compensation self-insurance and regulation of group funds specifically in the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation can more effectively and efficiently carry out the regulation of workers' compensation group funds and the Insurance Bureau's expertise and oversight is and has historically been restricted to insurance carriers under the Insurance Code; and

WHEREAS, the Insurance Code, Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, being Sections 500.2038 and 500.2040 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, provides that the remedy for violation of unfair trade practices as determined by the Insurance Commissioner is revocation of the violator's Certificate of Authority; and

WHEREAS, such self-insured group funds are not insurance carriers pursuant to the Insurance Code and therefore do not carry on their activities pursuant to insurance authority certificates issued under the Insurance Code; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation is the proper agency to oversee the determination of such unfair trade practices as applicable to workers' compensation coverage by self insured group funds as provided in Section 2016 of Act No. 457 of the Public Acts of 1998, being Section 500.2016 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan do hereby order the following:

All the authority, powers, duties, functions, grants and responsibilities of the Insurance Bureau to determine unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts or practices as applied to workers' compensation coverage provided through a self-insurer's group, provided for in Act No. 457 of the Public Acts of 1998, being Section 500.2016 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are hereby transferred to the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation.

The Director of the Department of Consumer and Industry Services shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer.

The Director of the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation and the Commissioner of the Insurance Bureau shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities prescribed by this Order.

All records, personnel, property, grants and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Insurance Bureau for the activities, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities transferred by this Order are hereby transferred to the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation.

All rules, orders, contracts, grants and agreements relating to the functions transferred to the Bureau of Workers' Disability Compensation lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by the reason of the taking effect of this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirement of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective sixty (60) days after the filing of this Order.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 28th day of June, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler
Governor
By the Governor:
Candice S. Miller
Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received July 22, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 1999 – 6

**Conservation Species Advisory Panel
Michigan Department of Agriculture**

Executive Reorganization

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Species Advisory Panel was created by Section 9304a of Act No. 463 of the Public Acts of 1998, being Section 324.9304a of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Species Advisory Panel was created within the Department of Agriculture, and empowered to establish a list of conservation species by December 1 of each year for the following calendar year that may be propagated, planted, harvested, sold, or rescued as part of a plant rescue operation; and

WHEREAS, the list of conservation species will impact Conservation Districts which engage in plant rescue operations and propagate, plant, harvest, and sell conservation species; and

WHEREAS, Conservation District programs are currently administered by the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the functions, duties and responsibilities assigned to the Conservation Species Advisory Panel can be more effectively organized and carried out by the Director of the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interest of efficient administration and effectiveness of government to effect changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

1. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Conservation Species Advisory Panel, as set forth in Section 9304a of Act No. 463 of the Public Acts of 1998, being Section 324.9304a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Agriculture, by a Type III transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

2. The Director of the Department of Agriculture shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer. The Director of the Department of Agriculture shall administer the assigned functions.

3. The Director of the Department of Agriculture shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities prescribed by this Order.

4. All records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Conservation Species Advisory Panel for the activities transferred herein are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Agriculture.

5. All rules, orders, contracts, and agreements relating to the assigned functions lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or rescinded.

6. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirements of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective 60 days after filing.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 22nd day of July, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler
Governor
By the Governor:
Candice S. Miller
Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received July 28, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 1999 - 7

**Deferred Compensation Plans
Department of Treasury
Department of Management and Budget**

Executive Reorganization

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, Act 306 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being MCL 38.1151, provides that the State Treasurer is responsible for the administration and investment of the deferred compensation plan, which consists of (1) the state of Michigan Deferred Compensation Plan I under Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and (2) the Michigan State Employees Deferred Compensation Plan II under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (collectively, the "Deferred Compensation Plans"); and

WHEREAS, Act 234 of the Public Acts of 1992, as amended, being MCL 38.2101 *et seq.*, Act 240 of the Public Acts of 1943, as amended, being MCL 38.1 *et seq.*, and Act 261 of the Public Acts of 1957, as amended, being MCL 38.1001 *et seq.*, provide that the State Treasurer is responsible for administering, investing the assets of, and determining the provisions and procedures of Tier 2 (the "Defined Contribution Plan") for the Judges Retirement System, State Employees Retirement System, and the Legislative Retirement System, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the state of Michigan has entered into a contract with a third party administrator to provide administration, customer education, enrollment, investment, and recordkeeping services for the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Management and Budget administers various retirement systems and employee benefits programs for state employees and retirees; and

WHEREAS, the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan, and any contracts for the provision of services related to the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan, may be more effectively and efficiently administered and coordinated within the Department of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, it is most beneficial to the participants of the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan if the State Treasurer, who is the investment fiduciary for the four state sponsored retirement plans and is also responsible for the investment functions for various other state operating and trust funds, continues to utilize his investment expertise in overseeing the investment options provided in the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

1. Except as provided in Paragraph 3, all the authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities relative to the Deferred Compensation Plans set forth in Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being MCL 38.1151, are hereby transferred from the State Treasurer to the Director of the Department of Management and Budget by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

2. Except as provided in Paragraph 3, all the authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities relative to the Defined Contribution Plan set forth in Act 234 of the Public Acts of 1992, as amended, being MCL 38.2101 *et seq.*, Act 240 of the Public Acts of 1943, as amended, being MCL 38.1 *et seq.*, and Act 261 of the Public Acts of 1957, as

amended, being MCL 38.1001 *et seq.*, are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Management and Budget by a Type II transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being MCL 16.103.

3. The State Treasurer, with the advice of the Department of Management and Budget, shall continue to be responsible for approving the various investment offerings provided to the participants of the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan and for establishing investment guidelines for the stable value fund options and mutual fund options in the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan.

4. All records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other used, held, employed, available to or to be made available to the Department of Treasury for the activities, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities transferred by this Order are hereby transferred to the Department of Management and Budget.

5. All rules, orders, contracts, investment contracts, investment guidelines, and other agreements relating to the Deferred Compensation Plans and the Defined Contribution Plan lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

6. The Department of Management and Budget shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in the state's financial management system.

7. The Director of the Department of Management and Budget in cooperation with the State Treasurer shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer. The Director of the Department of Management and Budget shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of responsibilities described by this Order.

8. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

9. The invalidity of any portion of this Order shall not affect the validity of the remainder thereof.

In fulfillment of the requirement of Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective October 1, 1999.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 28th day of July, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler

Governor

By the Governor:

Candice S. Miller

Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received July 29, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 1999 - 8

Michigan Commission on Public Pension and Retiree Health Benefits

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 24 of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 provides that the accrued financial benefits of each pension plan and retirement system of the state and its political subdivisions shall be a contractual obligation thereof which shall not be diminished or impaired thereby; and further provides that financial benefits arising on account of services rendered in each fiscal year shall be funded during that year and that such funds are not to be used for financing unfunded accrued liabilities; and

WHEREAS, the funding, management, oversight, and fiscal integrity of public pension and retirement systems is a matter of paramount public importance which bears directly upon the fiscal integrity of the state and its political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, it is an appropriate time to assemble a group of Michigan citizens who have demonstrated particular knowledge of and interest in public pension and retirement systems for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of relevant practices and issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby establish the Michigan Commission on Public Pension and Retiree Health Benefits.

The Commission is charged with the following responsibilities:

1. Review those state laws that govern or affect the funding, management, oversight, and fiscal integrity of public pension and retirement systems.

2. Review the adequacy of funding for public pension and retirement systems and the extent of unfunded accrued liabilities.

3. Consider, recommend and report such modifications in state laws governing or affecting public pension and retirement systems as the Commission shall think appropriate in the circumstances.

The Commission shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor. The Governor shall appoint one member of the Commission as Chairperson. Members of the Commission shall serve during the existence of the Commission, which shall complete its work not later than one year after the Commission is appointed.

The Commission shall be staffed by personnel within the Department of Treasury, to be designated by the State Treasurer.

All principal departments and other state agencies shall cooperate with the Commission in the performance of its responsibilities. The Commission may request, and principal departments and other state agencies shall provide, such policy and technical information as is required by the Commission in the discharge of its responsibilities.

The Commission may hire or retain such contractors, sub-contractors, advisors, consultants and agents, and may make and enter into contracts necessary or incidental to the exercise of the powers of and the performance of its duties as the Director of the Department of Treasury may deem advisable and necessary, in accordance with the relevant statutes, rules and procedures of the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Management and Budget.

Members of the Commission shall not receive compensation, but members may receive necessary expenses for the performance of Commission functions, based on existing state rates.

The provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective upon filing.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 29th day of July, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler

Governor

By the Governor:

Candice S. Miller

Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received August 20, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 1999 - 9

**Indian Affairs Commission
Department of Civil Rights**

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Affairs Commission was created by Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of 1972, being Sections 16.711 *et seq.* of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and is currently located in the Department of Civil Rights pursuant to Executive Order 1991-29; and

WHEREAS, the state has numerous programs to address the needs of its Indian citizens which are administered by various departments, such as the Michigan Department of Transportation (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program), the Michigan State Police Forensic Science Division (criminal laboratory services to tribal police), the Department of Community Health (Indian Health Program) and the Department of Consumer and Industry Services (Energy Resource Grants to Native American projects); and

WHEREAS, the powers, functions, duties and responsibilities of the Indian Affairs Commission and its Executive Director can be more effectively organized and carried out under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department of Civil Rights; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interests of efficient administration and effectiveness of government to effect changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby order the following:

1. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Indian Affairs Commission, including but not limited to those set forth in Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of 1972, being Section 16.711 *et seq.* of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Civil Rights by a Type III transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

2. All the statutory authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Executive Director of the Indian Affairs Commission, including but not limited to those set forth in Act No. 195 of the Public Acts of 1972, being Section 16.711 *et seq.* of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Civil Rights by a Type III transfer, as defined by Section 3 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, being Section 16.103 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

3. The Director of the Department of Civil Rights shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfer.

4. The Executive Director of the Indian Affairs Commission and the Director of the Department of Civil Rights shall immediately initiate coordination to facilitate the transfer and develop a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, or other obligations to be resolved by the Indian Affairs Commission.

5. The Director of the Department of Civil Rights shall administer the transferred powers, duties, functions and responsibilities in such ways as to promote effective administration and shall make internal organizational changes as may be administratively necessary to complete the realignment of the responsibilities prescribed by this Order.

6. All records, personnel, property and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, employed, available or to be made available to the Indian Affairs Commission and the position of Executive Director of the Indian Affairs Commission for the activities, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities transferred by this Order are hereby transferred to the Director of the Department of Civil Rights.

7. All rules, orders, contracts and agreements related to the assigned functions that were lawfully adopted prior to the effective date of this Order shall continue to be effective until revised, amended or repealed.

8. Any suit, action or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against or before any entity affected by this Order shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of this Order. Any suit, action or other proceeding may be maintained by, against or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by this Order.

In fulfillment of the requirements of Article V, Section 2 of the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, the provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective 60 days after filing.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 20th day of August, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler

Governor

By the Governor:

Candice S. Miller

Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received August 31, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 1999 - 10

**Michigan Water Quality Monitoring
Advisory Board**

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

WHEREAS, the waters of the state of Michigan are one of the primary natural resources of the state; and

WHEREAS, Michigan has more than 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, 11,037 inland lakes and 36,350 miles of rivers and streams, and

WHEREAS, Michigan is surrounded by the Great Lakes, which constitute 18 percent of the world's fresh water and are critical to the health and well being of Michigan residents and the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, maintaining and improving the quality of these waters is necessary and essential to improve natural resource management, maintain sustainable ecosystems, protect public health and support a healthy economy in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, being Section 324.8801 *et seq.* of the Michigan Compiled Laws, creates the Clean Water Fund (fund) within the state treasury and directs the Department of Environmental Quality (Department) to expend money in the fund to implement the programs described in the Department's document entitled, "A Strategic Environmental Quality Monitoring Program for Michigan's Surface Waters," (Monitoring Strategy) dated January 1997; and

WHEREAS, long-term comprehensive water quality monitoring data is essential to protecting and improving the quality of the state's waters; and

WHEREAS, a long-term comprehensive water quality monitoring system must be scientifically sound, quality assured, and statistically valid;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963, and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby establish the Michigan Water Quality Monitoring Advisory Board (Board) within the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The Board shall consist of five individuals who have expertise in one or more of the following areas, including, but not limited to:

- Water Quality Monitoring and Ecological Risk Assessment
- Statistics and Experimental Design
- Aquatic and Mammalian Toxicology
- Chemistry
- Aquatic Biology
- Data Management, Quality Assurance, and Quality Control.

Members of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve for a term of four years, except that of the members first appointed: one shall serve for a term of two years, two shall serve for a term of three years and two shall serve for a term of four years. The Governor shall appoint one member of the Board as chairperson who shall serve as chairperson at the pleasure of the Governor. Members of the Board may be reappointed.

The Board is charged with the following responsibilities:

1. Advise the Department on issues affecting the implementation of the Monitoring Strategy;
2. Advise the Department on the development of statistically sound sampling designs to collect various types of water quality data;
3. Advise the Department on appropriate methodologies for evaluating temporal and spatial water quality data;
4. Advise the Department on state-of-the-art data management and data communication techniques to ensure that water quality information is easily accessible and communicated in meaningful, understandable and timely ways to intended audiences; and
5. Review and comment on the annual monitoring plans prepared by the Department to implement the Monitoring Strategy.

Members of the Board shall not receive compensation, but members may receive reimbursement for necessary travel and expenses for the performance of Board functions, based on existing state rates.

All departments, boards, commissions or officers of the state or of any political subdivision of the state shall give to the Board, or to any member or agent thereof, any necessary assistance required by the Board, or any agent of the Board, in the performance of the duties of the Board so far as is compatible with its, his or her duties; free access shall also be given to any books, records or documents in its, his or her custody, relating to matters within the scope of the inquiry, study or investigation of the Board.

The Board may adopt rules of procedure, not inconsistent with Michigan law and with this Executive Order, governing its organization and operations. A majority of the serving members constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting, notwithstanding the existence of one (1) or more vacancies. Voting upon actions taken by the Board shall be conducted by a majority vote.

The Board shall annually report on its activities to the Governor or his designee.

The provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective upon filing.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 31st day of August, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler
Governor
By the Governor:
Candice S. Miller
Secretary of State

The following message from the Governor was received September 16, 1999 and read:

EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 1999 - 11

**Michigan Commission on Financing
Postsecondary Education**

WHEREAS, the cultural and economic future of Michigan is closely linked to the education and skill levels attained by her citizens, giving the state a vested interest in helping all individuals gain as much knowledge and training as possible; and

WHEREAS, Michigan residents and their children should not be deterred from pursuing their goals due to the uncertainties related to increasing costs of higher education or postsecondary training in future years; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the state to seek to provide innovative and flexible financial options that allow Michigan families to plan for future higher education and/or training costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engler, Governor of the state of Michigan, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the state of Michigan of 1963 and the laws of the state of Michigan, do hereby establish the Michigan Commission on Financing Postsecondary Education (the "Commission").

The Commission is charged with the following responsibilities:

1. Review the availability and flexibility of existing public and private postsecondary financing options for Michigan families planning for future postsecondary training and/or higher education costs.

2. Recommend the development and implementation of additional financing options where unmet needs exist, ensuring proper coordination with existing programs.

The Commission shall consist of five (5) members. The Chairperson of the Commission shall be the Lieutenant Governor. The Commission shall be composed of four (4) additional members, who shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor. Members of the Commission shall serve during the existence of the Commission, which shall complete its work no later than 120 days after the Commission's effective date. The Commission shall submit a written report of its findings to the Governor within 120 days of its effective date.

The Commission shall be staffed by personnel within the Department of Treasury, to be designated by the State Treasurer.

All principal departments and other state agencies shall cooperate with the Commission in the performance of its responsibilities. The Commission may request, and principal departments and other state agencies shall provide, such policy and technical information as is required by the Commission in the discharge of its responsibilities.

The Commission may hire or retain such contractors, sub-contractors, advisors, consultants and agents, and may make and enter into contracts necessary or incidental to the exercise of the powers and performance of its duties as the Director of the Department of Treasury may deem advisable and necessary, in accordance with the relevant statutes, rules and procedures of the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Management and Budget.

Members of the Commission shall not receive compensation, but members may receive necessary expenses for the performance of Commission functions, based on existing state rates.

The provisions of this Executive Order shall become effective upon filing.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan this 16th day of September, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine.

John Engler
Governor
By the Governor:
Candice S. Miller
Secretary of State

The messages were referred to the Clerk.

The following messages from the Governor, approving and signing the following bills at the times designated below, were received and read:

Date: June 24, 1999

Time: 10:02 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4669 (Public Act No. 65, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to criminal procedure and to define the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of courts, judges, and other officers of the court under the provisions of this act; to provide laws relative to the rights of persons accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the arrest of persons charged with or suspected of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for bail of persons arrested for or accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the examination of persons accused of criminal offenses; to regulate the procedure relative to grand juries, indictments, informations, and proceedings before trial; to provide for trials of persons complained of or indicted for criminal offenses and ordinance violations and to provide for the procedure in those trials; to provide for judgments and

sentences of persons convicted of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to establish a sentencing commission and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for procedure relating to new trials and appeals in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to provide a uniform system of probation throughout this state and the appointment of probation officers; to prescribe the powers, duties, and compensation of probation officers; to provide penalties for the violation of the duties of probation officers; to provide for procedure governing proceedings to prevent crime and proceedings for the discovery of crime; to provide for fees of officers, witnesses, and others in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to set forth miscellaneous provisions as to criminal procedure in certain cases; to provide penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act,” by amending sections 25a and 25b (MCL 764.25a and 764.25b), section 25a as amended by 1983 PA 92 and section 25b as amended by 1996 PA 418.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 24, 1999, at 2:35 p.m.)

Date: June 25, 1999

Time: 1:50 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4499 (Public Act No. 66, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “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, and assessments; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” by amending sections 40102 and 40103 (MCL 324.40102 and 324.40103), as amended by 1998 PA 86, and by adding section 40111a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 25, 1999, at 4:30 p.m.)

Date: June 25, 1999

Time: 2:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4082 (Public Act No. 68, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled “An act to provide a retirement system for the public school employees of this state; to create certain funds for this retirement system; to provide for the creation of a retirement board within the department of management and budget; to prescribe the powers and duties of the retirement board; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, agencies, officials, and employees; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 61 (MCL 38.1361), as amended by 1989 PA 194.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 25, 1999, at 4:34 p.m.)

Date: June 25, 1999

Time: 4:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4586 (Public Act No. 70, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled “An act to provide for the levy, assessment and collection of a specific excise tax on the storage, use or consumption in this state of tangible personal property and certain services; to appropriate the proceeds thereof; and to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act,” by amending section 4k (MCL 205.94k), as amended by 1996 PA 477.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 25, 1999, at 4:38 p.m.)

Date: June 28, 1999

Time: 12:22 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4408 (Public Act No. 72, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state

departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act," by amending sections 613a, 614a, and 615a (MCL 168.613a, 168.614a, and 168.615a), sections 613a and 615a as amended by 1995 PA 87 and section 614a as added by 1988 PA 275.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 28, 1999, at 4:03 p.m.)

Date: June 28, 1999

Time: 1:40 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4658 (Public Act No. 78, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1986 PA 32, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of emergency telephone districts; to provide for the installation, operation, modification, and maintenance of universal emergency number service systems; to provide for the imposition and collection of certain charges; to provide the powers and duties of certain state agencies, local units of government, public officers, telephone service suppliers, and others; to create an emergency telephone service committee; to provide remedies; to provide penalties; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," by amending section 201 (MCL 484.1201), as amended by 1994 PA 29, and by adding sections 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, and 412; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 28, 1999, at 4:15 p.m.)

Date: June 28, 1999

Time: 1:42 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4659 (Public Act No. 79, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1986 PA 32, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of emergency telephone districts; to provide for the installation, operation, modification, and maintenance of universal emergency number service systems; to provide for the imposition and collection of certain charges; to provide the powers and duties of certain state agencies, local units of government, public officers, telephone service suppliers, and others; to create an emergency telephone service committee; to provide remedies; to provide penalties; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," (MCL 484.1101 to 484.1604) by adding chapter VII; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 28, 1999, at 4:17 p.m.)

Date: June 28, 1999

Time: 1:50 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4473 (Public Act No. 82, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incorporation or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associations organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exercise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms, corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on domestic insurance companies and associations and the state accident fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of surplus line agents; to provide for the imposition of regulatory fees on certain insurers; to modify tort liability arising out of certain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to that modified tort liability and to prescribe certain procedures for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued availability and affordability of automobile insurance and homeowners insurance in this state and to facilitate the purchase of that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect to insurance and with respect to certain claims against uninsured or self-insured persons; to prescribe duties for certain state departments and officers with respect to that reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and

continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business within this state; to provide for regulation over worker's compensation self-insurers; to provide for the conservation, rehabilitation, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile theft prevention authority to reduce the number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of the automobile theft prevention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to repeal acts and parts of acts; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," by amending sections 7011 and 7060 (MCL 500.7011 and 500.7060), as added by 1986 PA 121.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 28, 1999, at 4:23 p.m.)

Date: June 28, 1999

Time: 2:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4509 (Public Act No. 84, I.E.), being

An act to create an urban homestead program for multifamily public housing; to provide that certain local governmental units and public housing entities create and administer urban homestead programs for multifamily public housing; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental units and public housing entities; and to provide for the disposition of personal and real property.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 28, 1999, at 4:27 p.m.)

Date: June 30, 1999

Time: 11:30 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4300 (Public Act No. 92, I.E.), being

An act to make and supplement appropriations for the department of corrections and certain state purposes related to corrections for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1999 and September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; to provide for reports; to provide for the creation of certain advisory committees and boards; to prescribe certain powers and duties of the department of corrections, certain other state officers and agencies, and certain advisory committees and boards; to provide for the collection of certain funds; and to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by certain state agencies.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 30, 1999, at 4:03 p.m.)

Date: June 30, 1999

Time: 11:45 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4302 (Public Act No. 93, I.E.), being

An act to make appropriations for the state institutions of higher education and certain state purposes related to education for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1999 and September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditures of those appropriations; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, institutions, agencies, employees, and officers.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 30, 1999, at 4:05 p.m.)

Date: June 30, 1999

Time: 1:52 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4666 (Public Act No. 94, I.E.), being

An act to create the Michigan merit award scholarship trust fund; to create the Michigan merit award scholarship board and prescribe the powers and duties of the board; and to provide for the Michigan merit award scholarship program.

(Filed with the Secretary of State June 30, 1999, at 4:07 p.m.)

Date: July 1, 1999
Time: 2:30 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4386 (Public Act No. 95, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1986 PA 268, entitled “An act to create the legislative council; to prescribe its membership, powers, and duties; to create a legislative service bureau to provide staff services to the legislature and the council; to provide for operation of legislative parking facilities; to create funds; to provide for the expenditure of appropriated funds by legislative council agencies; to authorize the sale of access to certain computerized data bases; to establish fees; to create the Michigan commission on uniform state laws; to create a law revision commission; to create a senate fiscal agency and a house fiscal agency; to create a Michigan capitol committee; to create a commission on intergovernmental relations; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates,” by amending section 601 (MCL 4.1601), as amended by 1993 PA 24.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 1, 1999, at 4:09 p.m.)

Date: July 6, 1999
Time: 10:00 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4733 (Public Act No. 98, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled “An act to create certain renaissance zones; to foster economic opportunities in this state; to facilitate economic development; to stimulate industrial, commercial, and residential improvements; to prevent physical and infrastructure deterioration of geographic areas in this state; to authorize expenditures; to provide exemptions and credits from certain taxes; to create certain obligations of this state and local governmental units; to require disclosure of certain transactions and gifts; to provide for appropriations; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local departments, agencies, and officials,” by amending the title and sections 3 and 5 (MCL 125.2683 and 125.2685) and by adding sections 8a and 8b.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 6, 1999, at 3:44 p.m.)

Date: July 6, 1999
Time: 1:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4240 (Public Act No. 102, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, and intermediate school districts; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, and intermediate school districts; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding sections 1308, 1310, and 1310a.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 6, 1999, at 3:52 p.m.)

Date: July 7, 1999
Time: 11:20 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4471 (Public Act No. 106, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “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, and assessments; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 3104, 3109a, 3119, 30101, 30104, 30105, 30109, 32312, and 32513 (MCL 324.3104, 324.3109a, 324.3119, 324.30101, 324.30104, 324.30105, 324.30109, 324.32312, and 324.32513), section 3104 as amended by 1995 PA 169, section 3109a as added by 1995 PA 70, section 30101 as added by 1995 PA 59, section 30104 as amended by 1996 PA 97, sections 30105 and 30109 as amended by 1995 PA 171, section 32312 as amended by 1995 PA 168, and section 32513 as amended by 1995 PA 170.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 7, 1999, at 4:12 p.m.)

Date: July 7, 1999

Time: 11:30 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4472 (Public Act No. 108), being

An act to amend 1972 PA 382, entitled "An act to license and regulate the conducting of bingo and certain other forms of gambling; to provide for the conducting of charity games; to impose certain duties and authority upon certain state departments, agencies, and officers; to provide a tax exemption; and to provide penalties," by amending the title and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 9, 10, 10a, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 18 (MCL 432.102, 432.104, 432.105, 432.106, 432.107a, 432.109, 432.110, 432.110a, 432.111, 432.112, 432.113, 432.114, 432.115, 432.116, and 432.118), sections 2, 4, 5, 9, 10, 10a, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 18 as amended and section 7a as added by 1981 PA 229, and by adding sections 3a, 4a, 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 7b, 7c, 7d, 10b, 11a, 11b, and 11c; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 7, 1999, at 4:16 p.m.)

Date: July 8, 1999

Time: 10:00 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4298 (Public Act No. 109, I.E.), being

An act to make appropriations for community colleges and certain state purposes related to education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of those appropriations; to establish or continue certain funds, programs, and categories; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, institutions, agencies, employees, and officers.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 8, 1999, at 11:08 a.m.)

Date: July 8, 1999

Time: 11:15 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4065 (Public Act No. 111, I.E.), being

An act to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for capital outlay and various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; to implement the appropriations within the budgetary process; to provide for the expenditure of appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 8, 1999, at 2:47 p.m.)

Date: July 8, 1999

Time: 11:29 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4301 (Public Act No. 113, I.E.), being

An act to make appropriations for the department of education and certain other purposes relating to education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, school districts, and other governmental bodies; and to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by certain legal entities and state agencies.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 12, 1999, at 2:13 p.m.)

Date: July 14, 1999
Time: 1:20 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4745 (Public Act No. 115, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled “An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation,” by amending sections 3, 4, 5, 23, 23b, 31, 45a, 46, 49, 51, 71, 77, and 78 (MCL 208.3, 208.4, 208.5, 208.23, 208.23b, 208.31, 208.45a, 208.46, 208.49, 208.51, 208.71, 208.77, and 208.78), section 4 as amended by 1995 PA 285, section 5 as amended by 1987 PA 253, sections 23 and 23b as amended by 1998 PA 504, section 31 as amended by 1994 PA 247, section 45a as added by 1995 PA 282, and section 71 as amended by 1984 PA 281, and by adding sections 19, 35a, and 54; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 14, 1999, at 4:19 p.m.)

Date: July 14, 1999
Time: 1:25 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4744 (Public Act No. 117, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled “An act to provide for the levy, assessment and collection of a specific excise tax on the storage, use or consumption in this state of tangible personal property and certain services; to appropriate the proceeds thereof; and to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act,” by amending sections 3, 4, and 4h (MCL 205.93, 205.94, and 205.94h), section 3 as amended by 1995 PA 67, section 4 as amended by 1998 PA 491, and section 4h as added by 1986 PA 13, and by adding sections 4o, 4p, 4q, 4r, 4s, 4v, 8, and 9a.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 14, 1999, at 4:23 p.m.)

Date: July 19, 1999
Time: 10:15 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4498 (Public Act No. 119, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “An act to make appropriations to aid in the support of the public schools and the intermediate school districts of the state; to make appropriations for certain other purposes relating to education; to provide for the disbursement of the appropriations; to supplement the school aid fund by the levy and collection of certain taxes; to authorize the issuance of certain bonds and provide for the security of those bonds; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending sections 6, 11, 11f, 11g, 13, 17b, 18, 20, 20b, 24, 26a, 31a, 31c, 36, 36a, 41, 51a, 53a, 54, 56, 57, 61a, 62, 63, 67, 68, 74, 81, 91b, 94, 99, 101, 104a, 105, 107, 147, and 166b (MCL 388.1606, 388.1611, 388.1611f, 388.1611g, 388.1613, 388.1617b, 388.1618, 388.1620, 388.1620b, 388.1624, 388.1626a, 388.1631a, 388.1631c, 388.1636, 388.1636a, 388.1641, 388.1651a, 388.1653a, 388.1654, 388.1656, 388.1657, 388.1661a, 388.1662, 388.1663, 388.1667, 388.1668, 388.1674, 388.1681, 388.1691b, 388.1694, 388.1699, 388.1701, 388.1704a, 388.1705, 388.1707, 388.1747, and 388.1766b), sections 6, 11, 11g, 17b, 20, 20b, 26a, 31a, 51a, 63, 81, and 105 as amended by 1998 PA 553, sections 11f, 24, 31c, 36, 36a, 41, 53a, 54, 56, 57, 61a, 62, 68, 74, 94, 99, 101, 107, 147, and 166b as amended by 1998 PA 339, sections 13 and 18 as amended by 1996 PA 300, section 67 as amended by 1997 PA 142, section 91b as added by 1995 PA 130, and section 104a as amended by 1997 PA 176, and by adding sections 20j, 20k, 31d, 32, 33, 34, and 105c; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 20, 1999, at 9:57 a.m.)

Date: July 22, 1999
Time: 11:17 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4489 (Public Act No. 123, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “An act to provide for the assessment of rights and interests, including leasehold interests, in property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes levied;

making such taxes a lien on the property taxed, establishing and continuing the lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of property delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the state and not redeemed or purchased; to provide for the establishment of a delinquent tax revolving fund and the borrowing of money by counties and the issuance of notes; to define and limit the jurisdiction of the courts in proceedings in connection therewith; to limit the time within which actions may be brought; to prescribe certain limitations with respect to rates of taxation; to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain officers, departments, agencies, and political subdivisions of this state; to provide for certain reimbursements of certain expenses incurred by units of local government; to provide penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by amending the title and sections 57, 59, 60, 61, 73c, 74, 87c, 107, 108, 131, 131c, and 131e (MCL 211.57, 211.59, 211.60, 211.61, 211.73c, 211.74, 211.87c, 211.107, 211.108, 211.131, 211.131c, and 211.131e), the title and section 59 as amended by 1983 PA 254, sections 57, 60, 61, 73c, 74, 108, 131, and 131c as amended by 1993 PA 291, section 87c as amended by 1988 PA 450, section 107 as amended by 1998 PA 378, and section 131e as amended by 1996 PA 476, and by adding sections 60a, 67c, 78, 78a, 78b, 78c, 78d, 78e, 78f, 78g, 78h, 78i, 78j, 78k, 78l, 78m, 78n, 78o, and 78p; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 23, 1999, at 8:55 a.m.)

Date: July 27, 1999

Time: 2:00 p.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4075 (Public Act No. 137, I.E.), being

An act to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies, capital outlay, and certain other state purposes for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 and for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(Filed with the Secretary of State July 28, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.)

Communications from State Officers

The following communications from the Auditor General were received and read:

June 25, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Financial Audit, Including the Provisions
of the Single Audit Act, of the
Department of Community Health
October 1, 1995 through September 30, 1997

July 1, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Brooks Correctional Facility and
Muskegon Temporary Facility
Department of Corrections
July 1999

July 2, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Michigan Commission on Indian Affairs
Department of Civil Rights
July 1999

July 2, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs
Department of Civil Rights
July 1999

July 2, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Michigan Women's Commission
Department of Civil Rights
July 1999

July 9, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Emergency Management Division
Michigan Department of State Police
July 1999

July 23, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Financial Audit
Including the Provisions of the Single Audit Act
of the Department of Natural Resources
October 1, 1995 through September 30, 1997

August 3, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Financial Institutions Bureau
Department of Consumer and Industry Services
August 1999

August 12, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance and Financial Related Audit of
Information Technology Management Services
Family Independence Agency
October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1998

August 17, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Alger Maximum Correctional Facility and Camp Cusino
Department of Corrections
August 1999

August 19, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of
Driver Safety Programs
Department of Education and
Department of State
August 1999

August 20, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Closure of Joseph M. Snyder
Macomb-Oakland Regional Center
Department of Community Health
August 1999

August 31, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Federal Cash Management
Improvement Act Program
Department of Treasury
August 1999

September 2, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Financial Audit of the
Transition in the Office of State Treasurer
Department of Treasury
As of November 28, 1998

September 2, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Bureau of Epidemiology
Department of Community Health
September 1999

September 15, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Ionia Correctional Facilities
Department of Corrections
September 1999

September 9, 1999

Enclosed is a copy of the financial statements, together with the Auditor's Report, for the Bureau of State Lottery for the six month period ended March 31, 1999.

Sincerely,
Thomas H. McTavish, C.P.A.
Auditor General

The communications were referred to the Clerk and the accompanying reports referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

The following communication from Michigan Works! Central Area Partnership Consortium was received and read:

May 14, 1999

The Job Training Partnership Act and the Michigan Department of Career Development require that job training plans and modifications be sent to specific individuals and agencies. These plans are also available to the public in general. Please feel free to direct your questions to Tim Vanaman.

Sincerely,
Ralph F. Loeschner
President
(616) 754-9315

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from Oakland County Michigan Department of Public Services was received and read:

May 24, 1999

In accordance with Section 628.425 of the Job Training Partnership Act's Regulations, the Oakland County Michigan Works! Agency's Workforce Development Board and Chief Elected Official are submitting for your review JTPA Titles IIA, IIC, III, IIA 5%, and IIB.

If you have any comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,
John Almstadt, Manager
Workforce Development Division
(248) 858-5520

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Ottawa County Michigan Works! Agency was received and read:

June 15, 1999

Copies of information IIA Plan, IIC Plan, EDWAAA Plan, IIB SYETP Plan, 5% Older Worker Plan, 8% Plan regarding the proposed JTPA services for Ottawa County Michigan Works! Agency are available for your review and comment by contacting the MWA office.
For further information contact Mary Kay Schoon at (616) 393-5618.

Sincerely,
Cathy Simons
Director

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Michigan Works! - Lansing Tri-County Agency was received and read:

June 16, 1999

As required by the Michigan Department of Career Development, Michigan Works! - Lansing Tri-County has submitted PY99-2000 grant application packages for JTPA Titles IIA, IIC, and Title III (EDWAAA), and FY 99 Title IIB SYETP.
If you have questions or comments concerning the Job Training Plans, please contact Edythe Hatter-Williams, Planning Specialist, at 487-0106, ext. 117.

Sincerely,
Michael A. Quinn
Executive Director

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the State Budget Office were received and read:

June 29, 1999

This letter transmits the "Statement of the Proportion of Total State Spending From State Sources Paid to Units of Local Government - Legal Basis" for fiscal year 1997-98, which has been prepared in accordance with Sections 18.1115(6), 18.1303-18.1305, 18.1349, 18.1350, 18.1497, and 18.1498 of the Michigan Compiled Laws for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with Article 9, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution.
If you have questions regarding this report, please contact Mr. Leon E. Hank, Director, Office of Financial Management, at 373-1010.

June 29, 1999

Transmitted under this cover is a schedule entitled "Statement of Revenue Subject to Constitutional Limitation - Legal Basis." The statement is submitted pursuant to Section 18.1350 of the Michigan Compiled Laws for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with Article 9, Section 26 of the Michigan Constitution for the fiscal year 1997-98.
If you have questions regarding this report, please contact Mr. Leon E. Hank, Director, Office of Financial Management, at 373-1010.

Sincerely,
Mary A. Lannoye
State Budget Director

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the Department of Environmental Quality were received and read:

July 1, 1999

I am pleased to present the report on Pollution Prevention (P2) Impacts and Costs of Materials Accounting (MA) and Toxics Use Reporting (TUR) Programs of Other States and the Federal Government. This report is being submitted

to the Governor and the Legislature in accordance with Section 14510(2) of Part 145, Waste Reduction Assistance, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

If you have comments or questions about this report, please contact Mr. Paul Zugger, Chief, Environmental Assistance Division, at (517) 241-0490, or you may contact me.

Sincerely,
Russell J. Harding
Director
(517) 373-7917

July 27, 1999

I am submitting a list of nine research projects approved for funding under the Michigan Great Lakes Protection Fund in compliance with Act 156 of the Public Acts of 1989.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Coscarelli at 335-4227, or you may contact me.

Sincerely,
G. Tracy Mehan, III, Director
Office of the Great Lakes
(517) 335-4056

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the Department of Consumer and Industry Services were received and read:

July 1, 1999

In accordance with Public Act 304 of 1982, the 1998 Annual Report of the Michigan Utility Consumer Representation Fund is transmitted to the Legislature.

Sincerely,
Matthew E. McLogan
Chairman

July 6, 1999

Pursuant to Section 328 of P.A. 104 of 1997, we are enclosing a copy of the fire safety inspection report on Adrian Training Facility, #CA46031, 2300 N. Adrian Highway, Adrian, Michigan, 49221.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 373-3892.

July 6, 1999

Pursuant to Section 328 of P.A. 104 of 1997, we are enclosing a copy of the Special Investigation Report #8C011301100 conducted at Green Oak Center, 9036 East M. 36, Whitmore Lake, Michigan 48989.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 373-3892.

August 9, 1999

Transmitted are copies of Special Investigation Report(s) #9C0115009 and #9C011306 conducted at Shawono Center, in Grayling and Huron Center in Whitmore Lake, Michigan. We are also transmitting interim evaluations for Shawono Center and Bay Pines.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 373-3892.

August 25, 1999

Pursuant to Section 324 of P.A. 306 of 1998, we are enclosing copies of Special Investigation Report #7C0201005 conducted at W. J. Maxey Training School-Olympic Center CA47019 and approval of Corrective Action Plan conducted at W. J. Maxey Training School-Summit Center CA 47020.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 373-3892.

September 14, 1999

Pursuant to Section 324 of P.A. 306 of 1998, we are enclosing copies of Special Investigation Report Nos. 8C02160008 and 9C0216014 conducted at Northwest Youth Reception Center, Detroit, Michigan. Approval Study

Report No. CA47011 conducted at Sequoyah Center/W.J. Maxey Training School, Whitmore Lake, Michigan, and Special Investigation Report No. 9C0115002 conducted at Sequoyah Center, Whitmore Lake, Michigan.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 373-3892.

Sincerely,
John R. Suckow, C.P.A.
Director, Finance and
Administrative Services

August 5, 1999

Transmitted is a copy of the final report on the state of competition in the commercial liability insurance market and my certification as to the presence of workable competition in the market during 1998. This report was prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 2409(c) of the Insurance Code of 1956, MCL 500.2409(c).

Sincerely,
Frank M. Fitzgerald
Commissioner of Insurance

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Michigan Supreme Court was received and read:

July 20, 1999

Transmitted is the Citizen Advisory Committee Annual Report to the Legislature.

Sincerely,
John D. Ferry, Jr.
State Court Administrator

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from Muskegon County Department of Employment and Training was received and read:

July 27, 1999

The Muskegon/Oceana Consortium is submitting modifications to its Program Year 1999-2000 Job Training Plans for programs under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Wendy J. Ohst
Deputy Director

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from the Workforce Development Board Employment and Training Consortium was received and read:

August 9, 1999

Enclosed for your review and comment are copies of the E.U.P. Employment & Training Consortium's Title IIA, Title IIC, Title III (EDWAAA), and 5% Older Worker Biennial Job Training Plans.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,
Gwen Worley
Executive Director
(906) 635-1752

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communication from Michigan Works! Berrien-Cass-Van Buren Workforce Development Board was received and read:

August 20, 1999

In accordance with state requirements, Michigan Works! is required to make available and publish job training plans to community-based organizations, local educational and other public agencies in the Michigan Works! Service Delivery Area.

If you have any questions or comments feel free to contact the Michigan Works! Berrien Cass-Van Buren Office.

Sincerely,
Patti Holden
Contract and Compliance Officer
(800) 533-5800

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the Department of Treasury were received and read:

September 3, 1999

Transmitted is the Annual Report for 1997-98 of both the Michigan Higher education Assistance Authority and the Michigan Higher education Student Loan Authority.

Sincerely,
H. Jack Nelson
Executive Director

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

The following communications from the Secretary of State were received and read:

Notices of Filing
Administrative Rules

May 20, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:25 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-05-01) for the Department of State Police, Traffic Services Section, entitled "*Safety Belts and Restraining Devices*", effective 15 days hereafter.

June 14, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 1:07 P.M. this date, administrative rule (99-06-01) for the Department of Environmental Quality, Land and Water Management Division, entitled "*Inland Lakes and Streams*", effective 15 days hereafter.

June 22, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:40 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-06-02) for the Department of Treasury, Michigan Higher Education Student Loan Authority, entitled "*Michigan Alternative Student Loan Program*", effective 15 days hereafter.

July 2, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:57 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-07-01) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Part 13, Mobile Equipment*", effective 15 days hereafter.

July 12, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:10 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-07-02) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Part 55 - Explosives and Blasting Agents*", effective 15 days hereafter.

July 12, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:12 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-07-03) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Part 6 - Personal Protective Equipment*", effective 15 days hereafter.

July 16, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:08 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-07-04) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Office of Commercial Services, entitled "*Ski Area Safety Rules*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 3, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:50 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-01) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Accounting*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 3, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform Legal Division filed at 10:52 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-02) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Part 91. Process of Highly Hazardous Chemicals*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 3, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:54 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-03) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Part 91. Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 3, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:56 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-04) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 11, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:25 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-05) for the Department of Environmental Quality, entitled "*Water Resources Protection - Groundwater Quality Part 22*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 17, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:10 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-07) for the Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry Division, entitled "*Bodies of Dead Animals*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 17, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:12 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-08) for the Department of Environmental Quality, Storage Tank Division, entitled "*Part 215, Underground Storage Tank Financial Assurance*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 19, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 3:45 P.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-09) for the Department of Natural Resources, Law Enforcement Division, entitled "*Watercraft Control - Lake Macatawa R 281.770.2*", effective 15 days hereafter.

August 17, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 1:30 P.M. this date, administrative rule (99-08-10) for the Department of Community Health, Health Legislation and Policy Development, entitled "*Lead Hazard Remediation*", effective 15 days hereafter.

September 7, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:40 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-09-01) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Bureau of Regulatory Services, entitled "*Adult Foster Care - Contested Case Hearings*", effective 15 days hereafter.

September 10, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:05 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-09-02) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Board of Dentistry*", effective 15 days hereafter.

September 10, 1999

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 11:08 A.M. this date, administrative rule (99-09-03) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "*Board of Physical Therapy*", effective 15 days hereafter.

Sincerely,
Candice S. Miller
Secretary of State
Helen Kruger, Supervisor
Office of the Great Seal

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Notices

September 20, 1999

Dear Mr. Clerk:

As of April 5, 1999 the Michigan Jobs Commission was dissolved and the Department of Career Development and Michigan Strategic Fund Agency were established. Please modify your records to reflect the change in name of the

subcommittee of Appropriations previously named Consumer and Industry Services/Michigan Jobs Commission to Consumer and Industry Services/Department of Career Development/Michigan Strategic Fund Agency.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Charles R. Perricone
Speaker of the House

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Reports of Standing Committees

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Green, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Resource Management, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, July 8, 1999, at 2:00 p.m.,

Present: Reps. Green, Julian, Bradstreet, DeRossett, DeVuyst, Howell, Rick Johnson, Vear, Hansen, LaForge, Rivet, Sheltrown, Spade,

Absent: Reps. Ehardt, Koetje, Brater, Bogardus, Hansen,

Excused: Reps. Ehardt, Koetje, Brater, Bogardus, Hansen.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Green, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Resource Management, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Green, Julian, Bradstreet, DeVuyst, Ehardt, Howell, Rick Johnson, Koetje, Vear, Brater, Bogardus, Hansen, Rivet, Sheltrown, Spade,

Absent: Reps. DeRossett, LaForge,

Excused: Reps. DeRossett, LaForge.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Gosselin, Chair of the Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Gosselin, Kuipers, DeWeese, Raczkowski, Dennis, LaForge, Switalski.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Hart, Chair of the Committee on Family and Children Services, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Hart, DeRossett, Cassis, Shulman, LaForge, Gielegem, Hardman, Jacobs,

Absent: Rep. Law,

Excused: Rep. Law.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Raczkowski, Chair of the Committee on House Oversight and Operations, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 12:00 Noon,

Present: Reps. Raczkowski, Howell, Richardville, Shackleton, Rivet, Brewer, DeHart.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Faunce, Chair of the Committee on Criminal Law and Corrections, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at 10:30 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Faunce, Howell, Bishop, Julian, Richner, Sanborn, Shulman, Baird, Callahan, Jacobs, O'Neil.

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Jellema, Byl, DeHart, Toy, Caul, Kuipers, LaSata, Garcia, Pappageorge, Richner and Birkholz introduced **House Bill No. 4834, entitled**

A bill to amend 1917 PA 167, entitled "Housing law of Michigan," by amending the title and sections 8, 10, 125, 127, 129, 130, 131, 133, and 141 (MCL 125.408, 125.410, 125.525, 125.527, 125.529, 125.530, 125.531, 125.533, and 125.541), the title and section 141 as amended by 1992 PA 144; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Reps. Jellema, Byl, DeHart, Toy, Caul, Kuipers, LaSata, Garcia, Pappageorge, Richner and Birkholz introduced **House Bill No. 4835, entitled**

A bill to amend 1972 PA 230, entitled "State construction code act of 1972," by amending the title and sections 2, 3, 5, 14, 15, 24, and 30 (MCL 125.1502, 125.1503, 125.1505, 125.1514, 125.1515, 125.1524, and 125.1530), the title as amended by 1995 PA 270, section 2 as amended by 1998 PA 42, section 3 as amended by 1984 PA 189, and section 24 as amended by 1980 PA 371.

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

Rep. Dennis introduced

House Bill No. 4836, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 261 (MCL 206.261), as amended by 1996 PA 484.

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

Rep. Scranton introduced

House Bill No. 4837, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending section 2014 (MCL 339.2014), as amended by 1992 PA 103.

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

Rep. Mead introduced

House Bill No. 4838, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1317.

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

Reps. DeWeese and Voorhees introduced

House Bill No. 4839, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 5 and 1561 (MCL 380.5 and 380.1561), section 5 as amended by 1995 PA 289 and section 1561 as amended by 1996 PA 339.

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

Rep. Dennis introduced

House Bill No. 4840, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 2401, 2402, 2404, 2407, 2411, and 2412 (MCL 339.2401, 339.2402, 339.2404, 339.2407, 339.2411, and 339.2412), sections 2401 and 2411 as amended by 1991 PA 166, sections 2404 and 2407 as amended by 1988 PA 463, and section 2412 as amended by 1980 PA 496.

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

Rep. Dennis introduced

House Bill No. 4841, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 152, entitled "State license fee act," by amending section 39 (MCL 338.2239), as amended by 1988 PA 461.

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

Announcements by the Clerk

The following is a listing of the schedule with revised room changes of the Standing Committees for the 1999-2000 legislative session:

			Room 351 Capitol Building
Call of the Chair		Appropriations	
Call of the Chair		House Television Oversight	
Tuesdays	9:00 a.m.	Agriculture and Resource Management	Room 308 House Office Building
		Economic Development	Room 326 House Office Building
		Tax Policy	Room 307 House Office Building
	10:30 a.m.	Criminal Law and Corrections	Room 327 House Office Building
		Education	Room 307 House Office Building
	12:00 Noon	Constitutional Law and Ethics	Room 308 House Office Building
		Family and Children Services	Room 326 House Office Building
		House Oversight and Operations	Room 327 House Office Building
	3:00 p.m.*	Regulatory Reform	Room 327 House Office Building
		Transportation	Room 307 House Office Building
Wednesdays	9:00 a.m.	Employment Relations, Training and Safety	Room 326 House Office Building
		Insurance and Financial Services	Room 308 House Office Building
		Senior Health, Security and Retirement	Room 327 House Office Building
	10:30 a.m.	Energy and Technology	Room 307 or 519 House Office Building
		Gaming and Casino Oversight	Room 326 House Office Building
Thursdays	8:00 a.m.	Conservation and Outdoor Recreation	Room 307 House Office Building
	9:00 a.m.	Family and Civil Law	Room 327 House Office Building
		Local Government and Urban Policy	Room 308 House Office Building
		Veterans Affairs	Room 326 House Office Building
	10:30 a.m.	Great Lakes and Tourism	Room 308 House Office Building
		Health Policy	Room 307 House Office Building

* or after committees are given leave by the House to meet, whichever time is later

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Hardman, Spade, Schauer, Kowall, Scranton, Vear, DeRossett, Jamnick, Baird and Dennis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 146.

A resolution honoring Charity Motors Incorporated.

Whereas, Charity Motors is a non-profit organization that specializes in acquiring and selling donated vehicles for the sole purpose of giving proceeds to local charities. They have raised more than two million dollars for local charities and non-profit organizations. Since their inception, Charity Motors has been supporting more than 700 worthy organizations; and

Whereas, Charity Motors financial contribution to these organizations has assisted more than 100,000 needy families and individuals in the community. Charity Motors has provided low cost and reliable transportation to over 15,000 individuals. As a by-product of their philanthropic endeavors, many individuals were able to seek gainful employment and/or strengthen their educational goals; and

Whereas, Charity Motors has given financial support to organizations such as the Detroit Public Schools, the Detroit Special Olympics, the United Negro College Fund, the Detroit Institute of Arts, Wolverine Human Services, Habitat for Humanity, Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the American Red Cross just to name a few; and

Whereas, The involvement of Charity Motors in charitable projects is needed today more than ever to renew the belief that problems can be solved and our communities can be strengthened. It is wonderful to know that there is an organization that can respond to an individual's needs and still leave their dignity and self-worth intact. We hope that Charity Motors will find great satisfaction in knowing that their humanitarian efforts have and will continue to make a difference in the lives of many; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join in honoring Charity Motors for their innovative approach in assisting the community to meet its needs; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Charity Motors as a token of our respect for their superb work.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Hanley, Kelly, Brater, Spade, Schauer, Jansen, Scranton, DeRossett, Jamnick, Baird, Dennis and Bovin offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 147.

A resolution honoring Frank Garrison upon the occasion of his retirement as president of the Michigan AFL-CIO.

Whereas, Michigan State AFL-CIO President Frank Garrison's service to the Michigan labor movement spans more than 40 years, starting with being a committeeman for his UAW local union to now representing more than 620,000 workers as president of the state federation; and

Whereas, Frank Garrison was born on December 28, 1934, in Huntington, Indiana. In 1952, he became a member of UAW Local 699 and began working at the Saginaw Steering Gear plant in Saginaw; and

Whereas, Frank Garrison was drafted into the United States Army in 1953 and served two years. Upon his return to Michigan in 1955, he resumed work at Saginaw Steering Gear and became active in the union. His leadership posts included alternate committeeman, shop committeeman, local union president, and financial secretary; and

Whereas, In 1972, Garrison was appointed as a UAW international representative for Region 1D and assigned to the UAW Education Department and the Michigan UAW Community Action Program (CAP). He was serving as CAP coordinator for Region 1D when he joined the Michigan UAW-CAP legislative office in Lansing as a lobbyist in January of 1976. That July, he became legislative director for the UAW in Lansing; and

Whereas, In 1982, Garrison was appointed executive director of Michigan UAW-CAP, a position he held for four years until he was elected president of the Michigan AFL-CIO on December 12, 1986; and

Whereas, Mr. Garrison is active in the Michigan Democratic Party, is a member of the Democratic National Committee Executive Board, and was a member of President Clinton's National Commission for Employment Policy. He is also a past member of the Governor's Council on Human Investment as well as the Governor's Council on Job Training, and is a past member of the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Committee; and

Whereas, In 1993, Frank Garrison received an honorary Doctorate of Law degree from Michigan State University. He is a vice chair of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan Executive Board and member of the Executive Committee, chairman of the Michigan Trade Union Council for Histadrut, member of the Coalition of Labor Union Women, member of the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement, member of the A. Philip Randolph Institute, and a lifetime member of the NAACP; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize and thank Frank Garrison for his decades of service to the working men and women of Michigan and wish him the best upon the occasion of his retirement as president of the Michigan AFL-CIO; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mr. Garrison as evidence of our highest esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety.

Reps. Schermesser, Kelly, Brater, Rocca, Spade, Schauer, Jellema, Kowall, Martinez, Scranton, Raczkowski, DeRossett, Jamnick, Vander Roest, Baird, Dennis and Bovin offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 148.

A resolution recognizing August 26, 1999 as Women's Equality Day, the 79th Anniversary of women's right to vote.

Whereas, August 26, 1999, marks the 79th anniversary of women winning the right to vote in the United States and is now known as Women's Equality Day; and

Whereas, In Michigan, Ernestine Rose addressed the House of Representatives on March 26, 1846, asking for the right of women to vote; and

Whereas, The American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Michigan spearheaded an Ernestine Rose sesquicentennial re-enactment in the Michigan House of Representatives on March 26, 1996, with Marta Rosenthal, then in-coming President for the National Council of Jewish Women, greater Detroit section, portraying Ernestine Rose in a costume provided by Meadow Brook Theatre; and

Whereas, Ernestine Rose never lived in Michigan, but nevertheless was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in Seneca Falls, New York during 1996 because of her connections with Michigan, with her induction medallion given to the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame in Lansing; and

Whereas, AAUW of Michigan on Women's Equality Day in 1997 began seeking a United States postage stamp to honor Ernestine Rose; and

Whereas, AAUW of Michigan is marking Women's Equality Day 1999 by expanding this ongoing Ernestine Rose Stamp Project to AAUW members and everyone else living in the other 49 states, as well as by showing appropriate videos and by appropriate live performances; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize August 26, 1999 as Women's Equality Day, the 79th anniversary of women winning the right to vote, a stellar occasion for all to celebrate Michigan's long history of concern about the rights of women, documented by the 1846 Ernestine Rose appearance in the Michigan House of Representatives, believed to be the first time any woman addressed any U.S. state legislature on any topic; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Board of Directors of the American Association of University Women of Michigan.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, Scranton, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Jamnick, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 149.

A resolution honoring Mitzelfeld's upon the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation of the significance of this milestone that we commend the management and staff of Mitzelfeld's as they marked the 50th anniversary of the founding of this exemplary business in 1949. We are proud to recognize the important role that this enterprise has played in contributing to both the economic well-being of the area and the lives of countless citizens; and

Whereas, Since its founding in Rochester, Mitzelfeld's has become a vital element in helping Michigan grow and adapt to needs in commerce and all aspects of life in the community. Its success in maintaining competitiveness during an era of many challenges is the direct result of the commitment of the people of this company, and their ability to work together to offer the best in products and services over the years. Even as our cyclical Michigan economy has presented obstacles to growth and stability, Mitzelfeld's has sustained itself through dedication and innovation; and

Whereas, In looking back over 50 years of Mitzelfeld's history, it is clear that this business has set its course with a continuing look to the future. While the changes of the marketplace dictate many of the decisions for any good company, Mitzelfeld's has demonstrated the importance of looking beyond the balance sheet alone to include the ideas of its people, and the role of the company in community life when making choices. We are grateful for all that the Mitzelfeld family and the Mitzelfeld's store has contributed to Rochester and all of Michigan; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate the 50th anniversary of Mitzelfeld's. We salute them on this happy occasion and wish them well in the years to come; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mitzelfeld's as a token of our esteem.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 150.

A resolution honoring Judge Steven N. Andrews.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Steven N. Andrews has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Steven N. Andrews has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Steven N. Andrews brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Steven N. Andrews's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Steven N. Andrews in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Steven N. Andrews in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Steven N. Andrews as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 151.

A resolution honoring Judge David F. Breck.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge David F. Breck has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge David F. Breck has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge David F. Breck brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge David F. Breck's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge David F. Breck in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge David F. Breck in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge David F. Breck as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 152.

A resolution honoring Judge Jessica R. Cooper.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Jessica R. Cooper has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Jessica R. Cooper has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Jessica R. Cooper brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Jessica R. Cooper's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Jessica R. Cooper in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Jessica R. Cooper in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Jessica R. Cooper as a token of our esteem.
The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Middaugh, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 153.

A resolution honoring Judge Alice L. Gilbert.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Alice L. Gilbert has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Alice L. Gilbert has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Alice L. Gilbert brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Alice L. Gilbert's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Alice L. Gilbert in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Alice L. Gilbert in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Alice L. Gilbert as a token of our esteem.
The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 154.

A resolution honoring Judge Nanci Grant.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Nanci Grant has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Nanci Grant has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Nanci Grant brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Nanci Grant's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Nanci Grant in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Nanci Grant in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Nanci Grant as a token of our esteem.
The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Shulman, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 155.

A resolution honoring Judge Barry L. Howard.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Barry L. Howard has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of

our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Barry L. Howard has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Barry L. Howard brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Barry L. Howard's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Barry L. Howard in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Barry L. Howard in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Barry L. Howard as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 156.

A resolution honoring Judge Richard D. Kuhn.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Richard D. Kuhn has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Richard D. Kuhn has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Richard D. Kuhn brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Richard D. Kuhn's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Richard D. Kuhn in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Richard D. Kuhn in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Richard D. Kuhn as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 157.

A resolution honoring Judge John J. McDonald.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge John J. McDonald has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge John J. McDonald has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge John J. McDonald brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge John J. McDonald's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge John J. McDonald in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge John J. McDonald in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge John J. McDonald as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 158.

A resolution honoring Judge Fred M. Mester.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Fred M. Mester has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Fred M. Mester has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Fred M. Mester brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Fred M. Mester's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Fred M. Mester in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Fred M. Mester in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Fred M. Mester as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 159.

A resolution honoring Judge Denise K. Langford Morris.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Denise K. Langford Morris has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Denise K. Langford Morris has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Denise K. Langford Morris brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Denise K. Langford Morris's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Denise K. Langford Morris in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Denise K. Langford Morris in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Denise K. Langford Morris as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Middaugh, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 160.

A resolution honoring Judge Rudy J. Nichols.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Rudy J. Nichols has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Rudy J. Nichols has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Rudy J. Nichols brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Rudy J. Nichols's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Rudy J. Nichols in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Rudy J. Nichols in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Rudy J. Nichols as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 161.

A resolution honoring Judge Colleen A. O'Brien.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Colleen A. O'Brien has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Colleen A. O'Brien has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Colleen A. O'Brien brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Colleen A. O'Brien's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Colleen A. O'Brien in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Colleen A. O'Brien in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Colleen A. O'Brien as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Jellema, Stamas, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 162.

A resolution honoring Judge Wendy Potts.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Wendy Potts has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Wendy Potts has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Wendy Potts brings to work each day,

however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Wendy Potts's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Wendy Potts in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Wendy Potts in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Wendy Potts as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 163.

A resolution honoring Judge Gene Schnelz.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Gene Schnelz has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Gene Schnelz has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Gene Schnelz brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Gene Schnelz's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Gene Schnelz in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Gene Schnelz in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Gene Schnelz as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 164.

A resolution honoring Judge Edward Sosnick.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Edward Sosnick has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Edward Sosnick has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Edward Sosnick brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Edward Sosnick's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Edward Sosnick in his responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Edward Sosnick in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Edward Sosnick as a token of our esteem. The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 165.

A resolution honoring Judge Joan E. Young.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Joan E. Young has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Circuit Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Joan E. Young has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Joan E. Young brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Joan E. Young's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Joan E. Young in her responsibilities as Circuit Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Joan E. Young in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Joan E. Young as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 166.

A resolution honoring Judge Ralph H. Nelson.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Ralph H. Nelson has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial 52nd 3rd Division, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Ralph H. Nelson has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Ralph H. Nelson brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Ralph H. Nelson's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Ralph H. Nelson in his responsibilities as 52nd 3rd Division Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Ralph H. Nelson in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Ralph H. Nelson as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 167.

A resolution honoring Judge Julie A. Nicholson.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Julie A. Nicholson has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial 52nd 3rd Division, Oakland County, that we offer this

expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Julie A. Nicholson has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Julie A. Nicholson brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Julie A. Nicholson's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Julie A. Nicholson in her responsibilities as 52nd 3rd Division Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Julie A. Nicholson in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Julie A. Nicholson as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 168.

A resolution honoring Judge James P. Sheehy.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge James P. Sheehy has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial 52nd 3rd Division, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge James P. Sheehy has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge James P. Sheehy brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge James P. Sheehy's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge James P. Sheehy in his responsibilities as 52nd 3rd Division Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge James P. Sheehy in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge James P. Sheehy as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Middaugh, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 169.

A resolution honoring Judge Barry M. Grant.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Barry M. Grant has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Probate Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Barry M. Grant has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Barry M. Grant brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Barry M. Grant's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Barry M. Grant in his responsibilities as Probate Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Barry M. Grant in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Barry M. Grant as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 170.

A resolution honoring Judge Linda S. Hallmark.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Linda S. Hallmark has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Probate Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Linda S. Hallmark has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Linda S. Hallmark brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Linda S. Hallmark's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Linda S. Hallmark in her responsibilities as Probate Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Linda S. Hallmark in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Linda S. Hallmark as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 171.

A resolution honoring Judge Sandra G. Silver.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Sandra G. Silver has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Probate Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for her continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Sandra G. Silver has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Sandra G. Silver brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Sandra G. Silver's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed her fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Sandra G. Silver in her responsibilities as Probate Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Sandra G. Silver in acknowledgment of her outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Sandra G. Silver as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Bishop, Rocca, Julian, Kowall, Shulman, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 172.

A resolution honoring Judge Eugene Arthur Moore.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Judge Eugene Arthur Moore has put forth on behalf of the citizens of the Judicial Probate Court, Oakland County, that we offer this expression of our appreciation for his continued legal excellence. As the legal community of Oakland County recognizes the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In years of service to the people of Oakland County, Judge Eugene Arthur Moore has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Judge Eugene Arthur Moore brings to work each day, however, he has been able to meet challenges with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in this community. This has been greatly appreciated, both by the citizens and the legal community in Oakland County that have benefited directly from Judge Eugene Arthur Moore's work, as well as others in the judicial branch who have witnessed his fine example; and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Judge Eugene Arthur Moore in his responsibilities as Probate Court Judge over the past several years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Oakland County. We offer our thanks to this individual's accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Oakland County in saluting Judge Eugene Arthur Moore in acknowledgment of his outstanding years in legal service; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Judge Eugene Arthur Moore as a token of our esteem.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reps. Wojno, Bishop, Voorhees, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 173.

A resolution honoring Lena Peticca.

Whereas, It is indeed a great pleasure to join with members of Warren's Italian American Cultural Center in honoring Lena Peticca upon her selection as Senior Columbus Day Queen for 1999. Each year, the Italian American Cultural Center senior organization hosts a pageant to select the Columbus Day Senior Queen. Lena was chosen from among seven beautiful contestants, who together have been married a total of 270 years, have 26 children, 47 grandchildren, and one great grandchild; and

Whereas, As Columbus Day Senior Queen, Lena will be in the Columbus Day Parade on October 10, 1999. Lena's youthful spirit and positive attitude make her an outstanding representative of today's grandmothers. When asked why she wanted to be the Senior Columbus Day Queen, Lena replied "I would like to be queen mainly to represent all our beautiful ladies, and to inspire competitiveness, which is still in our hearts, even at our age." Lena has shown us that beauty truly is ageless, inside and outside; and

Whereas, Lena and her husband Domenic have been members of the Italian American Cultural Center senior group for 6 years. She and Domenic were widowed and each had 2 children and 4 grandchildren when they were married almost 10 years ago. A homemaker for 43 years, Lena enjoys baby-sitting for her grandchildren. Lena's hobbies include gardening, knitting, baking and traveling. She most recently returned from a trip to her native home, Italy. Besides Domenic, who is the love of her life, music and singing have always been close to her heart. Says Lena, "Music is by far, a most beautiful expression of life and people."; and

Whereas, The second Monday in October commemorates the Italian navigator Christopher Columbus' first landing in the New World on October 12, 1492. On August 3, 1492, Columbus and 90 men set sail to find an easier route to Asia for spice merchants. The expedition was sponsored by Queen Isabella of Spain, provided that Columbus would conquer some of the islands and mainland for Spain. On October 12, the ships landed on the island of Guanahani (in the Caribbean islands) which Columbus immediately christened San Salvador and claimed it for Spain. When they landed on what is now Cuba they thought it was Japan. After three subsequent voyages, Columbus died rich and famous but not knowing that he had discovered lands that few people had imagined were there. The continent was not even named after Columbus but an Italian explorer named Amerigo Vespucci; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That this resolution be presented to extend congratulations to Lena Peticca on being chosen as this year's Columbus Day Senior Queen. We wish her continued success and happiness in all she pursues; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Lena as evidence of our highest esteem.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Rocca, Julian, Bishop, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 174.

A resolution of tribute to Dennis R. Foster.

Whereas, It is a great pleasure to join with his wife Andrea, son Scott, daughter Kelly, colleagues, and the people of Sterling Heights in saluting Dennis R. Foster in recognition of his exemplary years of service with the Sterling Heights Fire Department. With his retirement, an outstanding tenure of commitment has drawn to a close. We proudly thank him for his contributions to the community's safety and well-being over the years; and

Whereas, Of all the services offered in our communities, none are more important than those provided by those who serve us as fire fighters. In protecting our homes, places of business, and our lives, fire fighters cope with on-the-job challenges that are truly unique. As Dennis Foster can attest, the tasks facing a fire department require not only courage and hard work, but also preparation and knowledge. Indeed, in the years since Dennis Foster joined the department, many changes have been made in technology and the types of fires that must be faced; and

Whereas, Serving twenty-five years with the Sterling Heights Fire Department, Dennis Foster certainly contributed to its fine reputation. During his career, Dennis Foster came to know firsthand the great dangers of fighting a fire in sub-zero temperatures, the overwhelming fatigue of being on the scene for many hours, and the heartbreak of individuals facing terrible losses in their lives. Through all of these difficult times, Dennis Foster has proven himself to be a citizen of the highest caliber. Sterling Heights and Michigan are very grateful; and

Whereas, During this tenure with the department, Dennis Foster rose through the ranks steadily. Throughout the years, Battalion Chief Foster has participated in many programs and events promoting fire safety. Dennis has worked at several department open houses and was often cited in letters of appreciation from various groups for speaking and training. It was Dennis' dedication and commitment that prompted his superiors to recognize him for his cooperation, respect, and sincere interest in others. Sterling Heights and the State of Michigan are truly grateful; and

Whereas, In addition to his formal duties and titles, Dennis Foster has contributed a great deal to the community through his devotion to his family. He and his wife Andrea, are very proud of their son Scott and daughter Kelly. We hope that his retirement affords him more time to share with them. He certainly has earned this and more; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commend and thank Dennis Foster as he retires from the Sterling Heights Fire Department. May he and his family always enjoy the security and well-being he has tried to secure for others; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Dennis R. Foster as a token of our esteem.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Rocca, Julian, Bishop, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Garcia and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 175.

A resolution of tribute to Dale A. Monnier.

Whereas, It is a great pleasure to join with his wife Betty, son Michael, daughters Michelle, Nicole, and Kristen, colleagues, and the people of Sterling Heights in saluting Dale Monnier in recognition of his exemplary years of service with the Sterling Heights Fire Department. With his retirement, an outstanding tenure of commitment has drawn to a close. We proudly thank him for his contributions to the community's safety and well-being over the years; and

Whereas, Of all the services offered in our communities, none are more important than those provided by those who serve us as fire fighters. In protecting our homes, places of business, and our lives, fire fighters cope with on-the-job challenges that are truly unique. As Dale A. Monnier can attest, the tasks facing a fire department require not only courage and hard work, but also preparation and knowledge. Indeed, in the years since Dale A. Monnier joined the department, many changes have been made in technology and the types of fires that must be faced; and

Whereas, Serving almost twenty-five years with the Sterling Heights Fire Department, Dale A. Monnier certainly contributed to its fine reputation. During his career, Dale A. Monnier came to know firsthand the great dangers of fighting a fire in sub-zero temperatures, the overwhelming fatigue of being on the scene for many hours, and the heartbreak of individuals facing terrible losses in their lives. Through all of these difficult times, Dale A. Monnier has proven himself to be a citizen of the highest caliber. Sterling Heights and Michigan are very grateful; and

Whereas, During this tenure with the department, Dale A. Monnier rose through the ranks steadily. He was promoted to Sergeant in March 1986, Captain in June 1994, and Battalion Chief in October 1995. Dale A. Monnier has been

involved in multiple projects including the preparation of the response district for Station 5, as well as community service programs such as the Christmas Safety Program. Dale A. Monnier lent his leadership talent to the department by training dispatchers in Emergency Medical Dispatch; and

Whereas, In addition to his formal duties and titles, Dale A. Monnier has contributed a great deal to the community through his devotion to his family. He and his wife, Betty, are very proud of their son Michael, and three daughters, Michelle, Nicole, and Kristen. We hope that his retirement affords him more time to share with them. He certainly has earned this and more; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commend and thank Dale A. Monnier as he retires from the Sterling Heights Fire Department. May he and his family always enjoy the security and well-being he has tried to secure for others; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted to Dale Monnier as a token of our esteem.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Middaugh, Spade, Schauer, Jellema, Stamas, Julian, Bishop, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, Scranton, LaSata, Tabor, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Jamnick, Garcia, Vander Roest, Baird, Dennis and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 176.

A resolution honoring Mr. Roy Boudreau upon the occasion of his retirement.

Whereas, With his retirement after serving as GTE's Michigan Governmental Affairs Manager, Mr. Roy Boudreau shall bring to a close an outstanding career. He has faithfully handled his responsibilities and has earned the respect of the Lansing Capitol community; and

Whereas, Highlights of Roy Boudreau's accomplished career are many. His career started in 1962 1966 with the United States Coast Guard and with the Coast Guard Reserve from 1966-1968; and

Whereas, Roy began his career with General Telephone Company of Michigan in 1966 as a lineman. He later held positions as an installer, switchman, central office supervisor and was named a customer service manager in 1978; and

Whereas, In October 1981, Roy became GTE's Michigan governmental affairs manager and has worked with numerous state and federal legislators and their staffs for the last 18 years; and

Whereas, Roy Boudreau, Registered Lobbyist Agent #A00022-4, was one of the first to be registered under Michigan's lobby law; and

Whereas, Roy has worked with both parties on telecommunications legislation, including the original and rewrites of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, as well as tax and other legislation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body dedicate this document to honor and commend Mr. Roy Boudreau upon his retirement from General Telephone Company. This document serves as a testimony of recognition to a man who has served our state and its people well. May he know of the high esteem in which he is held by the people of the State of Michigan for his outstanding service throughout his career; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mr. Roy Boudreau as evidence of our appreciation and gratitude.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Shackleton, Rocca, Julian, Bishop, Voorhees, Koetje, Jansen, Scranton, LaSata, Raczkowski, Vear, DeRossett, Jamnick, Garcia, Bovin and Cassis offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 177.

A resolution to urge the United States Department of Energy to halt the planned transportation of radioactive plutonium through Michigan to Canada until the public has an opportunity to voice concerns.

Whereas, The United States Department of Energy has announced plans to ship radioactive plutonium through Michigan on its way to a facility at Chalk River in Ontario, where an experimental program of using the materials in a reactor will take place. The shipment of this material from a laboratory in Los Alamos, New Mexico, is part of a test of this disposal strategy for future handling of certain radioactive materials; and

Whereas, As announced, the route for the shipment of plutonium by truck runs right through the center of Michigan. The route through the state begins where I-94 enters the state from Indiana, runs east to I-69 east of Battle Creek, proceeds northeast to Flint, and connects with I-75 to run north all the way to Sault Ste. Marie. This journey would take the material through several of the state's population centers, including Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Lansing, Flint, and Saginaw, and across the Mackinac Bridge; and

Whereas, On many levels, the selection of this route is inappropriate. Of the several routes considered, this one holds grave risks, especially to the world's largest accessible source of fresh water. While there is a clear need to find a means to dispose of materials that cannot be ignored, it is essential to minimize the jeopardy to land, water, and air; and

Whereas, Another very troubling aspect of the selection of this plan to truck the material is the lack of public input. Michigan has sought public hearings on this issue and on a prior related proposal, only to be denied participation in the process. This lack of information does little to gain public confidence in an activity that could be of the utmost importance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the United States Department of Energy to halt the planned transportation of radioactive plutonium through Michigan to Canada until the public has an opportunity to voice concerns; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Department of Energy.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Rep. Lemmons moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 5:35 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, September 22, at 2:00 p.m.

GARY RANDALL

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

