

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

Senator Shirkey offered the following concurrent resolution:

1 A concurrent resolution to approve an extension to the state
2 of emergency and state of disaster declared across the State of
3 Michigan to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

4 Whereas, Under the Emergency Management Act, PA 390 of 1976,
5 the Governor may declare a state of disaster and a state of
6 emergency for the reasons specified therein; and

7 Whereas, A state of disaster or state of emergency declared
8 under the Emergency Management Act continues until the governor
9 finds that the threat or danger has passed, the disaster or
10 emergency has been dealt with to the extent that disaster or
11 emergency conditions no longer exist, or until the declared state

1 of disaster or emergency has been in effect for 28 days; and

2 Whereas, After 28 days, the governor shall issue an executive
3 order or proclamation declaring the state of disaster or emergency
4 terminated, unless a request by the governor for an extension of
5 the state of disaster or emergency for a specific number of days is
6 approved by resolution of both houses of the legislature; and

7 Whereas, On March 10, 2020, Governor Whitmer issued Executive
8 Order 2020-4 declaring a state of emergency across the State of
9 Michigan to address the COVID-19 pandemic; and

10 Whereas, On April 1, 2020, Governor Whitmer issued Executive
11 Order 2020-33 to replace Executive Order 2020-4 and expand that
12 initial March 10, 2020 declaration to include a state of disaster
13 related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

14 Whereas, The same day, Governor Whitmer requested that the
15 Legislature pass a concurrent resolution extending the state of
16 emergency and state of disaster in Michigan; and

17 Whereas, On March 29, 2020, the federal government extended
18 nationwide social distancing guidelines through April 30, 2020 to
19 combat the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

20 Whereas, Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the state of
21 emergency and state of disaster must be extended to protect the
22 health and safety of Michigan's citizens; now, therefore, be it

23 Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives
24 concurring), That we approve an extension of the state of emergency
25 and state of disaster declared by Governor Whitmer in Executive
26 Order 2020-4 and Executive Order 2020-33 through April 30, 2020,
27 which is 23 days from the date of this concurrent resolution; and
28 be it further

29 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the

1 Governor.