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House Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, March 20, 2025.

12:00 Noon.

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.

Alexander—present	Foreman—present	McFall—present	Schuette—present
Andrews—present	Fox—present	McKinney—present	Scott—present
Aragona—present	Frisbie—present	Meerman—present	Skaggs—present
Arbit—present	Glanville—present	Mentzer—present	Slagh—present
BeGole—present	Grant—present	Miller—present	Smit—present
Beson—present	Green, P.—present	Morgan—present	Snyder—excused
Bierlein—present	Greene, J.—present	Mueller—present	St. Germaine—present
Bohnak—present	Hall—present	Myers-Phillips—present	Steckloff—present
Bollin—present	Harris—present	Neeley—excused	Steele—present
Borton—present	Herzberg—excused	Neyer—present	Tate—present
Breen—present	Hoadley—present	O’Neal—present	Thompson—present
Brixie—present	Hope—present	Outman—present	Tisdell—present
Bruck—present	Hoskins—present	Paiz—present	Tsernoglou—present
Byrnes—present	Jenkins-Arno—present	Paquette—present	VanderWall—present
Carra—present	Johnsen—present	Pavlov—present	VanWoerkom—present
Carter, B.—present	Kelly—present	Pohutsky—present	Wegela—present
Carter, T.—present	Koleszar—present	Posthumus—present	Weiss—present
Cavitt—present	Kuhn—present	Prestin—present	Wendzel—present
Coffia—present	Kunse—present	Price—present	Whitsett—excused
Conlin—present	Liberati—excused	Puri—present	Wilson—present
DeBoer—present	Lightner—present	Rheingans—present	Witwer—present
DeBoyer—present	Linting—present	Rigas—present	Wooden—present
DeSana—present	Longjohn—present	Robinson—present	Woolford—present
Dievendorf—present	MacDonell—present	Rogers—present	Wortz—present
Edwards—present	Maddock—present	Roth—present	Wozniak—present
Fairbairn—present	Markkanen—present	Schmaltz—present	Xiong—present
Farhat—present	Martin—present	Schriver—present	Young—present
Fitzgerald—present	Martus—present		

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Ken Borton, from the 105th District, offered the following invocation:

“Heavenly Father, we come to You today thankful for the opportunity to convene in this great Chamber and do the business of the people of this great state. We ask for Your divine guidance as we deal with those important issues that affect the lives of every man, woman and child who live in this state. With Your will and in Your way, let us do what is right. Amen.”



Rep. Fitzgerald moved that Reps. Herzberg, Liberati, Neeley, Snyder and Whitsett be excused from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Fitzgerald moved that Rep. Witwer be excused temporarily from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4115, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled “An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers that conduct business in this state; to provide for the disposition of allegedly misappropriated property in the possession of pawnbrokers; to provide remedies and prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies,” by amending the title and section 18 (MCL 446.218), the title as amended by 2018 PA 345.

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

Roll Call No. 42

Yeas—83

Alexander	Greene, J.	Mueller	Slagh
Andrews	Hall	Myers-Phillips	Smit
Aragona	Harris	Neyer	St. Germaine
Arbit	Hoadley	O’Neal	Steckloff
BeGole	Hoskins	Outman	Steele
Beson	Jenkins-Arno	Paiz	Tate
Bierlein	Johnsen	Paquette	Thompson
Bohnak	Kelly	Pavlov	Tisdell
Bollin	Kuhn	Pohutsky	Tsernoglou
Borton	Kunse	Posthumus	VanderWall
Breen	Lightner	Prestin	VanWoerkom
Bruck	Linting	Price	Weiss
Carter, T.	Longjohn	Puri	Wendzel
Cavitt	Maddock	Rigas	Wilson
DeBoer	Markkanen	Robinson	Wooden
DeBoyer	Martin	Roth	Woodford
Fairbairn	Martus	Schmaltz	Wortz
Fitzgerald	McFall	Schrifer	Wozniak
Frisbie	Meerman	Schuette	Xiong
Grant	Mentzer	Scott	Young
Green, P.	Miller	Skaggs	

Nays—21

Brixie	DeSana	Fox	McKinney
Byrnes	Dievendorf	Glanville	Morgan
Carra	Edwards	Hope	Rheingans
Carter, B.	Farhat	Koleszar	Rogers
Coffia	Foreman	MacDonell	Wegela
Conlin			

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
Rep. Posthumus moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

House Bill No. 4116, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled “An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers that conduct business in this state; to provide for the disposition of allegedly misappropriated property in the possession of pawnbrokers; to provide remedies and prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies,” by amending sections 8 and 9 (MCL 446.208 and 446.209), section 8 as amended by 2002 PA 469 and section 9 as amended by 2018 PA 345.

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

Roll Call No. 43**Yeas—83**

Alexander	Glanville	McFall	Skaggs
Andrews	Grant	Meerman	Slagh
Aragona	Green, P.	Mentzer	Smit
Arbit	Greene, J.	Miller	St. Germaine
BeGole	Hall	Mueller	Steckloff
Beson	Harris	Neyer	Steele
Bierlein	Hoadley	O’Neal	Tate
Bohnak	Hoskins	Outman	Thompson
Bollin	Jenkins-Arno	Paquette	Tisdell
Borton	Johnsen	Pavlov	Tsernoglou
Breen	Kelly	Pohutsky	VanderWall
Brixie	Kuhn	Posthumus	VanWoerkom
Bruck	Kunse	Prestin	Weiss
Carra	Lightner	Price	Wendzel
Carter, T.	Linting	Puri	Wilson
Cavitt	Longjohn	Rigas	Wooden
DeBoyer	MacDonell	Robinson	Woolford
DeSana	Maddock	Roth	Wozniak
Fairbairn	Markkanen	Schmaltz	Xiong
Fitzgerald	Martin	Schuette	Young
Frisbie	Martus	Scott	

Nays—21

Byrnes	Edwards	Koleszar	Rheingans
Carter, B.	Farhat	McKinney	Rogers

Coffia
Conlin
DeBoer
Dievendorf

Foreman
Fox
Hope

Morgan
Myers-Phillips
Paiz

Schriver
Wegela
Wortz

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
Rep. Posthumus moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been reproduced and made available electronically on Wednesday, March 19:

House Bill Nos. 4267 4268 4269 4270 4271 4272 4273

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. BeGole, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4118, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 40, entitled "The drain code of 1956," by amending sections 151, 154, 280, 468, and 520 (MCL 280.151, 280.154, 280.280, 280.468, and 280.520), section 154 as amended by 2020 PA 281, section 280 as amended by 2016 PA 27, and sections 468 and 520 as amended by 2018 PA 644.

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. BeGole, Harris, VanderWall, Fitzgerald and McFall

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. BeGole, Chair, of the Committee on Government Operations, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 20, 2025

Present: Reps. BeGole, Harris, VanderWall, Fitzgerald and McFall

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

House Bill No. 4081, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 288, entitled "Land division act," by amending section 108 (MCL 560.108), as added by 1996 PA 591.

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Aragona, Wozniak, Wendzel, Tisdell, Hoadley, Neyer, Rigas, Thompson, Linting, Tyrone Carter and Witwer

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 20, 2025

Present: Reps. Aragona, Fairbairn, Wozniak, Wendzel, Tisdell, Hoadley, Neyer, Rigas, Thompson, Linting, Tyrone Carter, Witwer, Dievendorf and Grant

Absent: Reps. Liberati, Whitsett and Neeley

Excused: Reps. Liberati, Whitsett and Neeley

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Hoadley, Chair, of the Committee on Economic Competitiveness, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 20, 2025

Present: Reps. Hoadley, Bohnak, Outman, Harris, BeGole, DeBoyer, St. Germaine, Grant, Brixie, Tate and Coffia

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 20, 2025

Present: Reps. Neyer, Wortz, Lightner, Alexander, Fox, Kunse, Pavlov, Paiz, Dievendorf, Rheingans and Skaggs

Introduction of Bills

Rep. Kunse introduced

House Bill No. 4274, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 4701 (MCL 600.4701), as amended by 2018 PA 284.

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

Rep. Kunse introduced

House Bill No. 4275, entitled

A bill to prohibit the ownership of mineral rights by certain foreign entities and to provide for penalties.

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

Reps. Snyder, Prestin, McFall, Glanville, Aragona, Arbit, Rogers, Witwer, Jaime Greene, Outman, Liberati and Meerman introduced

House Bill No. 4276, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998," by amending section 541 (MCL 436.1541), as amended by 2016 PA 434.

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

Reps. Bierlein, Rheingans, Woolford, Alexander, Outman, Breen, Kunse and Neyer introduced

House Bill No. 4277, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 16177 (MCL 333.16177), as amended by 2006 PA 481.

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

Reps. Jaime Greene, Robinson, Woolford, Maddock, Mueller, Hoadley, Kunse, Markkanen, Rheingans, Tate, Martin, Beson, Alexander, Bollin, BeGole, Schmaltz, Breen, MacDonell, Wilson, Pavlov, DeSana, Bruck and Rigas introduced

House Bill No. 4278, entitled

A bill to designate this state as a purple heart state.

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

Reps. Jaime Greene, Robinson, Woolford, Maddock, Mueller, Hoadley, Kunse, Markkanen, Rheingans, Schriver, Tate, Martin, Beson, Alexander, BeGole, Schmaltz, Breen, Wilson, MacDonell, Pavlov, DeSana, Bruck and Rigas introduced

House Bill No. 4279, entitled

A bill to create a Michigan Army National Guard and Air National Guard apprenticeship program; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities.

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

Reps. Edwards, Foreman, Young, McFall, McKinney, Brenda Carter, Wilson, Johnsen, Mentzer, MacDonell and Arbit introduced

House Bill No. 4280, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 18509 (MCL 333.18509), as amended by 2004 PA 61.

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

Reps. Edwards, Foreman, McFall, McKinney, Brenda Carter, Wilson, Mentzer and Arbit introduced

House Bill No. 4281, entitled

A bill to give certain rights to consumers purchasing or leasing a used motor vehicle; to create a contract cancellation option agreement; to prescribe requirements for used motor vehicle dealers; and to provide remedies.

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

Reps. Koleszar, Pohutsky, Young, Breen, Weiss, Morgan, Linting, Roth, Schmaltz, Outman, Wooden and Beson introduced

House Bill No. 4282, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998," by amending section 513 (MCL 436.1513), as amended by 2024 PA 115.

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

Reps. Prestin, Bohnak, Markkanen, Fairbairn, Cavitt, Beson, Neyer, Borton, Outman, Paquette and VanderWall introduced

House Bill No. 4283, entitled

A bill to amend 2008 PA 295, entitled "Clean and renewable energy and energy waste reduction act," by amending sections 28, 29, and 32 (MCL 460.1028, 460.1029, and 460.1032), sections 28 and 29 as amended and section 32 as added by 2023 PA 235, and by adding section 34.

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

Reps. Paquette, Wozniak, Cavitt, Maddock, Carra, Schuette and Wilson introduced

House Bill No. 4284, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled "An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices without a license or other authorization; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms and electro-muscular disruption devices under certain circumstances; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to prohibit certain conduct against individuals who apply for or receive a license to carry a concealed pistol; to make appropriations; to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act," by amending section 51 (MCL 28.4251), as amended by 2017 PA 95.

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

Rep. Kelly introduced

House Joint Resolution H, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 4 of article VIII and section 11 of article IX, to update the enumeration of public universities and to prohibit the use of the state school aid fund for any operating expenses of public universities.

The joint resolution was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Announcements by the Clerk

March 19, 2025

Received from the Auditor General a copy of the:

- Performance audit report on the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (186-0441-24), March 2025.

Scott E. Starr
Clerk of the House

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4004, entitled

A bill to amend 1972 PA 239, entitled “McCauley-Traxler-Law-Bowman-McNeely lottery act,” by amending section 25 (MCL 432.25), as amended by 1998 PA 465.

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

Roll Call No. 44

Yeas—102

Alexander	Farhat	Martus	Schmaltz
Andrews	Fitzgerald	McFall	Schuette
Aragona	Foreman	McKinney	Scott
Arbit	Fox	Meerman	Skaggs
BeGole	Frisbie	Mentzer	Slagh
Beson	Glanville	Miller	Smit
Bierlein	Grant	Morgan	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Green, P.	Mueller	Steckloff
Bollin	Hall	Myers-Phillips	Tate
Borton	Harris	Neyer	Thompson
Breen	Hoadley	O’Neal	Tisdell
Brixie	Hope	Outman	Tsernoglou
Bruck	Hoskins	Paiz	VanderWall
Byrnes	Jenkins-Arno	Paquette	VanWoerkom
Carra	Johnsen	Pavlov	Wegela
Carter, B.	Kelly	Pohutsky	Weiss
Carter, T.	Koleszar	Posthumus	Wendzel
Cavitt	Kuhn	Prestin	Wilson
Coffia	Kunse	Price	Witwer
Conlin	Lightner	Puri	Wooden
DeBoer	Linting	Rheingans	Wolford
DeBoyer	Longjohn	Rigas	Wortz
DeSana	MacDonell	Robinson	Wozniak
Dievendorf	Maddock	Rogers	Xiong
Edwards	Markkanen	Roth	Young
Fairbairn	Martin		

Nays—3

Greene, J. Schriver Steele

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
Rep. Posthumus moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

House Bill No. 4147, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” by amending section 11x (MCL 388.1611x), as amended by 2023 PA 103.

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

Roll Call No. 45**Yeas—97**

Alexander	Farhat	Martin	Schriver
Andrews	Fitzgerald	Martus	Schuette
Aragona	Fox	McFall	Scott
Arbit	Frisbie	Meerman	Skaggs
BeGole	Glanville	Mentzer	Slagh
Beson	Green, P.	Miller	Smit
Bierlein	Greene, J.	Morgan	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Hall	Mueller	Steckloff
Bollin	Harris	Neyer	Steele
Borton	Hoadley	O’Neal	Tate
Breen	Hope	Outman	Thompson
Brixie	Hoskins	Paiz	Tisdell
Bruck	Jenkins-Arno	Paquette	Tsernoglou
Byrnes	Johnsen	Pavlov	VanderWall
Carra	Kelly	Pohutsky	VanWoerkom
Carter, B.	Koleszar	Posthumus	Weiss
Carter, T.	Kuhn	Prestin	Wendzel
Cavitt	Kunse	Price	Witwer
Coffia	Lightner	Puri	Wooden
Conlin	Linting	Rigas	Woolford
DeBoer	Longjohn	Robinson	Wortz
DeBoyer	MacDonell	Rogers	Wozniak
DeSana	Maddock	Roth	Xiong
Dievendorf	Markkanen	Schmaltz	Young
Fairbairn			

Nays—8

Edwards Grant Myers-Phillips Wegela
Foreman McKinney Rheingans Wilson

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

House Bill No. 4149, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1280h.

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

Roll Call No. 46

Yeas—86

Alexander	Fitzgerald	Martin	Schriver
Andrews	Foreman	Martus	Schuette
Aragona	Fox	McFall	Skaggs
Arbit	Frisbie	Meerman	Slagh
BeGole	Glanville	Mentzer	Smit
Beson	Green, P.	Miller	St. Germaine
Bierlein	Greene, J.	Mueller	Steckloff
Bohnak	Hall	Neyer	Steele
Bollin	Harris	O’Neal	Tate
Borton	Hoadley	Outman	Thompson
Breen	Jenkins-Arno	Paquette	Tisdell
Bruck	Johnsen	Pavlov	Tsernoglou
Byrnes	Kelly	Pohutsky	VanderWall
Carter, B.	Koleszar	Posthumus	VanWoerkom
Cavitt	Kuhn	Prestin	Wendzel
Coffia	Kunse	Puri	Witwer
Conlin	Lightner	Rigas	Wooden
DeBoer	Linting	Robinson	Woolford
DeBoyer	Longjohn	Rogers	Wortz
DeSana	MacDonell	Roth	Wozniak
Fairbairn	Maddock	Schmaltz	Xiong
Farhat	Markkanen		

Nays—19

Brixie	Grant	Myers-Phillips	Wegela
Carra	Hope	Paiz	Weiss
Carter, T.	Hoskins	Price	Wilson
Dievendorf	McKinney	Rheingans	Young
Edwards	Morgan	Scott	

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

House Bill No. 4154, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 160, entitled “Postsecondary enrollment options act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 388.513), as amended by 2020 PA 131.

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

Roll Call No. 47**Yeas—92**

Alexander	Farhat	Martin	Schriver
Andrews	Fitzgerald	Martus	Schuette
Aragona	Foreman	McFall	Skaggs
Arbit	Fox	McKinney	Slagh
BeGole	Frisbie	Meerman	Smit
Beson	Green, P.	Mentzer	St. Germaine
Bierlein	Greene, J.	Miller	Steckloff
Bohnak	Hall	Morgan	Steele
Bollin	Harris	Mueller	Tate
Borton	Hoadley	Neyer	Thompson
Breen	Hoskins	O'Neal	Tisdell
Brixie	Jenkins-Arno	Outman	Tsernoglou
Bruck	Johnsen	Paiz	VanderWall
Carra	Kelly	Paquette	VanWoerkom
Carter, B.	Koleszar	Pavlov	Wendzel
Carter, T.	Kuhn	Posthumus	Wilson
Cavitt	Kunse	Prestin	Witwer
Coffia	Lightner	Price	Wooden
Conlin	Linting	Puri	Woolford
DeBoer	Longjohn	Rigas	Wortz
DeBoyer	MacDonell	Robinson	Wozniak
DeSana	Maddock	Roth	Xiong
Fairbairn	Markkanen	Schmaltz	Young

Nays—13

Byrnes	Grant	Pohutsky	Scott
Dievendorf	Hope	Rheingans	Wegela
Edwards	Myers-Phillips	Rogers	Weiss
Glanville			

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
 Rep. Posthumus moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
 The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

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

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Trade school is not properly defined in the bill. I appreciate the intention of the bill, but it still needs work before it becomes law to avoid any unintended consequences and ensure the quality of CTE programs and the safety of students.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

The Speaker laid before the House

House Resolution No. 46, entitled

A resolution to declare March 22, 2025, as Michigan Water Day and World Water Day in the state of Michigan.

(The resolution was introduced and postponed for the day on March 19, see House Journal No. 29, p. 288.)

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Scott, Foreman, Hoskins, Brixie, Price, Pohutsky, Myers-Phillips, O'Neal, Neeley, Grant, Edwards, Brenda Carter, McKinney, MacDonell, Paiz, Slagh, Tyrone Carter, Tate, Liberati, Herzberg, Byrnes, Tsernoglou, Glanville, Morgan, Witwer, Young, Koleszar, Xiong, Wooden, Martus, Snyder, Mentzer, Wegela, Steckloff, Andrews, Conlin, Wilson, Miller, Arbit, Puri, Farhat, Rogers, Weiss, Breen, Dievendorf and Rheingans offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 49.

A resolution to declare March 21, 2025, as Abolitionist Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The abolitionist movement was born in the early 18th century in order to end the practice of slavery in America and around the world; and

Whereas, Laura Smith Haviland was a trailblazer in the American abolitionist movement, fought against injustice, and promoted freedom everywhere she went, including her home that is now known as Adrian, Michigan; and

Whereas, Smith Haviland and her family moved to Michigan during her young adult life where she would meet others already involved in the anti-slavery movement. She soon after lost her parents, husband, and child to erysipelas. This kindled her desire to devote her life to fighting against the suffering and despair of others and from there she turned her energy to the eradication of slavery; and

Whereas, The abolitionist movement was made up of many people like Laura Smith Haviland who also dedicated their lives to irradiating injustice, assisting members of the underground railroad, and traveled to many states in pursuit of these missions; and

Whereas, Laura Smith Haviland was inducted into the 2018 Hall of Fame class at the National Abolition Hall of Fame in Peterboro, NY for her integral role in the anti-slavery movement in Michigan and the midwestern United States as a whole. She taught others how to confront and obstruct anti-abolition authorities and slave catchers in the north. Laura Smith Haviland is responsible for freeing and assisting in freeing countless enslaved people during her time; and

Whereas, Laura Smith Haviland continued her work to ensure freedom and dignity was afforded to as many people as possible throughout her entire life, regardless of the dangers she inevitably faced everywhere she went. She possessed a selfless attitude, an undying fortitude for justice and bravery; and

Whereas, We recognize the integral role the abolitionist movement made in our nation's history, and moving us closer to true equality of life for all Americans; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 21, 2025, as Abolitionist Day in the state of Michigan.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Wilson, McKinney, MacDonell, Hoskins, Young, Neeley, Martus, Puri, Foreman, Kunse, McFall, Glanville, Fitzgerald, Mentzer, Farhat, Brixie, O'Neal, Andrews, Brenda Carter, Conlin, Paiz, Wozniak, Scott, Price, Wegela, Edwards, Steckloff, Miller, Slagh, Tate, Aragona, Meerman, Coffia, Bruck, Xiong, Bierlein, Cavitt, Johnsen, Breen, Jaime Greene, Robinson, Dievendorf, Morgan, Rheingans, Weiss and Witwer offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 50.

A resolution to declare March 21, 2025, as Rosie the Riveter Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, During World War II, millions of American women stepped into roles traditionally held by men, serving as the backbone of the home front workforce in factories, shipyards, and other industrial settings; and

Whereas, Rosie the Riveter became an enduring symbol of female empowerment, determination, and patriotism, inspiring generations of women to pursue careers in various industries and advocate for equal opportunities in the workforce; and

Whereas, Michigan played a crucial role in the wartime production effort, with factories in Willow Run, Detroit, and other locations employing thousands of women who contributed to the manufacturing of bombers, airplanes, tanks, and other essential wartime materials; and

Whereas, The contributions of these women not only helped secure victory in World War II but also laid the foundation for the advancement of women's rights in the workplace and beyond; and

Whereas, Recognizing March 21 as Rosie the Riveter Day provides an opportunity to honor the legacy of these trailblazing women, educate future generations about their impact, and celebrate the spirit of resilience and determination that defines Michigan's workforce; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 21, 2025, as Rosie the Riveter Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That the Michigan Legislature encourages residents, schools, businesses, and organizations to commemorate this day through educational activities, community events, and acts of recognition that honor the contributions of the women who shaped our nation's history.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Mentzer, McKinney, Wilson, Price, Morgan, Brixie, Hoskins, Martus, O'Neal, Neeley, MacDonell, Young, Fitzgerald, McFall, Breen, Koleszar, Xiong, Weiss, Longjohn, Coffia, Byrnes, Arbit, Tsernoglou, Myers-Phillips, Grant, Brenda Carter, Rogers, Liberati, Herzberg, Edwards, Conlin, Tyrone Carter, Rheingans, Wooden, Foreman, Snyder, Scott, Farhat, Dievendorf and Paiz offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 51.

A resolution to urge the United States Department of Homeland Security to immediately release 56 million dollars in Federal Emergency Management Agency funds allocated to the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The state of Michigan has been awaiting the release of 56 million dollars in federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which is critical for supporting disaster relief, emergency response programs, and community recovery efforts. These funds, specifically, are vital to ensuring the continued operation of programs that assist communities affected by natural disasters, infrastructure damage, and other emergencies that threaten the well-being of Michigan residents; and

Whereas, Delays in the release of these funds have the potential to place significant financial strain on Michigan's emergency management agencies, local governments, and nonprofit organizations, that rely on these resources to provide essential services and maintain public safety. Further, the withholding of these funds could lead to disruptions in disaster recovery efforts, delays in emergency response initiatives, and increased financial burdens on state and local agencies; and

Whereas, The state of Michigan has upheld its obligations in applying for and administering federal emergency funds. It is imperative that the federal government fulfill its commitment to provide timely financial assistance. Immediate action is necessary to prevent any further negative impacts on Michigan's emergency response infrastructure, public safety efforts, and the economic stability of communities affected by disasters; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the United States Department of Homeland Security to immediately release 56 million dollars in Federal Emergency Management Agency funds allocated to the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, and members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Government Operations.

Reps. Edwards, Foreman, Young, McFall, MacDonell, Breen, Dievendorf, Morgan, Paiz, Rheingans, Weiss and Witwer offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 52.

A resolution to declare March 2025 as National Social Work Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The social work profession for decades has been dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable among us; and

Whereas, This year's Social Work Month theme, "Social Work: Compassion & Action", embodies the spirit of the profession's challenge to structure that cause hardships for everyday people, and honors the labor of social workers in progressing forward movements; and

Whereas, Social workers have always been present in times of crisis, helping people overcome issues such as death and grief and helping people and communities recover from natural disasters such as fires, hurricanes, and earthquakes; and

Whereas, Social workers have helped this nation live up to its values by successfully advocating for equal rights for all people; and

Whereas, School social workers have worked with families and schools throughout the pandemic to ensure students reach their full academic and personal potential; and

Whereas, Social workers work in all parts of our society to empower people to live to their fullest potential; and

Whereas, Social workers play a crucial role in our nation's health care system and have played a key role in this nation's response to COVID-19 and helping individuals, families, and communities cope with the epidemic; and

Whereas, Social workers are one of the largest groups of mental health care providers in the United States and work daily to help people, whether in person or remotely, overcome substance use disorders and mental illnesses such as depression and anxiety; and

Whereas, The social work profession is one of the fastest growing professions in the United States, with nearly 800,000 people expected to be employed as social workers by 2029; and

Whereas, Social workers will continue to stand ready to assist our nation in overcoming present and future challenges; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 2025 as National Social Work Month in the state of Michigan.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Rheingans, Longjohn, McFall, Rogers, Coffia, Mentzer, Price, Farhat, Conlin, Breen, Dievendorf, Jaime Greene, MacDonell, Morgan, Paiz, Weiss and Young offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 53.

A resolution to declare April 7-13, 2025, as National Public Health Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The field of public health works to prevent the spread of disease, promote positive living conditions for people and their communities, and prevent the loss of life; and

Whereas, Local public health professionals work tirelessly behind the scenes to protect our drinking water, provide childhood vision and hearing screenings, ensure the food our restaurants serve is safe to eat, watch for the spread of disease in their communities, and prepare for emergencies; and

Whereas, For hundreds of years, public health has evolved to meet the needs of communities, greatly reducing the global under-five child mortality rate by 60% since 1990, the spread of preventable diseases like polio and malaria, and increasing the public's knowledge of the risk that tobacco use poses; and

Whereas, Public health has improved maternal and infant health, improved screening and prevention of cancer, stroke, and cardiovascular disease, reduced the number of children poisoned by lead, and increased motor vehicle safety; and

Whereas, From the University of Michigan, a reported 98% of public health professionals after 2020 are employed or continuing education within one year of graduation, adding to the clever work this profession accomplishes in an abundant job market; and

Whereas, The American Public Health Association, founded in 1872 to advance the work of public health professionals, honors these professionals annually; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare April 7-13, 2025, as National Public Health Week in the state of Michigan. We recognize the numerous contributions made by America's public health professionals.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Arbit, Rheingans, Coffia, Andrews, Brixie, Wooden, Martus, Foreman, Conlin, Morgan, McFall, Tsernoglou, Longjohn, Koleszar, Rogers, MacDonell, Hope, McKinney, Paiz, Glanville, Mentzer, Liberati, Price, Brenda Carter, Grant, Wilson, Pohutsky, Scott, Hoskins, Tyrone Carter, Breen, Young, Snyder, Weiss, Myers-Phillips, O'Neal, Steckloff, Edwards and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 54.

A resolution to declare April 4, 2025, as North Atlantic Treaty Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Seventy-six years ago, on April 4th, 1949, the United States of America, alongside the governments of Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, and the United Kingdom signed the Washington Treaty establishing the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and

Whereas, NATO was founded to ensure collective security in North America and Europe, in recognition of the shared destiny of the free and democratic nations within the North Atlantic region; and

Whereas, April 4 has been celebrated by the allies and used to promote public appreciation for the importance of the Transatlantic alliance and collective security; and

Whereas, The alliance has provided a necessary forum for allies to consult and cooperate with on issues of collective defense and security, including solving complex geopolitical challenges, while standing as a beacon of freedom and liberty across the globe; and

Whereas, NATO has successfully deterred aggression towards its members by upholding Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty, which states that the allies agree that an attack against one ally shall be considered an attack on all; and

Whereas, The NATO forces came to the defense of the United States of America following the terrorist attacks of 9/11 – the only time in history when Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty has been invoked; and

Whereas, Allied soldiers fought valiantly alongside American men and women in Afghanistan, as well as important missions in the Balkans, Libya, and the Horn of Africa; and

Whereas, NATO has welcomed additional allies over its 76-year history, with the accession of the Kingdom of Sweden to the alliance in March 2024 bringing the total to 32; and

Whereas, Michiganders have bravely served in the United States Armed Forces and fought for the liberty and safety of all Michigan residents alongside our NATO allies; and

Whereas, Michigan's robust defense manufacturing industry is a critical component of Transatlantic security, as it continues to provide cutting edge technology, munitions, and armaments to support the operations of the United States Armed Forces as well as the armed forces of our NATO allies; and

Whereas, Michiganders are safer and freer today as a result of the United States of America's role as a founding member of NATO; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare April 4, 2025, as North Atlantic Treaty Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Mission to NATO in Brussels, Belgium.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Government Operations.

Rep. Farhat moved that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 55.**

(For first notice see House Journal No. 29, p. 290.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Farhat,

The motion did not prevail, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Farhat moved that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 56.**

(For first notice see House Journal No. 29, p. 290.)

The question being on the motion made by Rep. Farhat,

The motion did not prevail, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Posthumus moved that House Committees be given leave to meet during the balance of today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been reproduced and made available electronically on Thursday, March 20:

Senate Bill Nos. 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199 200

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Kelly offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 55.

A resolution to support the devolution of power from the United States Department of Education to the states and to urge the United States Congress to fully cooperate with these efforts.

Whereas, The Tenth Amendment to the United States Constitution clearly states that powers that are not delegated to the federal government, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states or the people. Education is not enumerated as a responsibility of the federal government; and

Whereas, The creation of the United States Department of Education in 1980 has contributed to significant federal overreach into education through burdensome regulations and one-size-fits-all standards; and

Whereas, Despite 276 billion dollars in one-time spending for COVID-19 recovery efforts, and the Department of Education spending 268 billion dollars in the 2024 fiscal year, gaps in meeting educational needs continue to cause our students to suffer; and

Whereas, Student reading scores have been on a decline since 2019. In 2024, it was found that about 40 percent of 4th grade students are working below a basic reading level based on national standards, which is the largest percentage since 2002. This same report found that about one third of 8th grade students failed to meet national reading benchmarks, which is the largest percentage ever; and

Whereas, States and local communities possess unique knowledge of their students' educational needs and are best positioned to develop the curriculum and policies that reflect their values and priorities. With over 1.3 million students enrolled in Michigan K-12 public schools, we have a responsibility to make sure our students are being set up for success; and

Whereas, President Trump has publicly expressed a desire to eliminate the Department of Education, and to rightfully put the states back in full control of education; and

Whereas, The elimination of the Department of Education is not only consistent with the spirit of the Tenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, but it could also help facilitate taxpayer dollars being spent more efficiently and help students achieve better outcomes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we support the devolution of power from the United States Department of Education to the states, and we urge the United States Congress to fully cooperate with these efforts; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of the United States Department of Education, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Point of Order

Rep. Fitzgerald requested a ruling of the Chair on how House Rule 27 states that debate must be germane to the bill, but debate is about the federal government budget so how is this in order in the House.

The Chair ruled that funding on the Federal level is germane to the Resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Rep. Fitzgerald demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not supported.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Rep. Posthumus moved that Rule 41 be suspended.

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

Rep. Posthumus moved that the Committee on Government Operations be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4195**

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4195, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 50a, 51a, 232, 302, 303, 307, and 314 (MCL 257.50a, 257.51a, 257.232, 257.302, 257.303, 257.307, and 257.314), sections 50a and 51a as amended by 2008 PA 7, section 232 as amended by 2023 PA 129, section 302 as amended by 2018 PA 428, section 303 as amended by 2024 PA 42, section 307 as amended by 2023 PA 260, and section 314 as amended by 2021 PA 71.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4195, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 50a, 51a, 232, 302, 303, 307, and 314 (MCL 257.50a, 257.51a, 257.232, 257.302, 257.303, 257.307, and 257.314), sections 50a and 51a as amended by 2008 PA 7, section 232 as amended by 2023 PA 129, section 302 as amended by 2018 PA 428, section 303 as amended by 2024 PA 42, section 307 as amended by 2023 PA 260, and section 314 as amended by 2021 PA 71.

The bill was read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Point of Order

Rep. Fitzgerald requested a ruling of the Chair as to whether under House Rule 27 language of legality is germane in this debate.

The Chair ruled that it is germane.

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Rep. Fitzgerald moved that Reps. Breen and Edwards be excused temporarily from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

Point of Order

Rep. Fitzgerald requested a ruling of the Chair as to whether under House Rule 27 debate is confined to the question at hand, so is this discussion germane.

The Chair ruled that it is germane.

Rep. Fitzgerald appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question being, “Shall the judgment of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?”

The judgment of the Chair stood as the judgment of the House, a majority of the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 48

Yeas—58

Alexander
Aragona

Fox
Frisbie

Markkanen
Martin

Schriver
Schuette

BeGole	Green, P.	Meerman	Slagh
Beson	Greene, J.	Mueller	Smit
Bierlein	Hall	Neyer	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Harris	Outman	Steele
Bollin	Hoadley	Paquette	Thompson
Borton	Jenkins-Arno	Pavlov	Tisdell
Bruck	Johnsen	Posthumus	VanderWall
Carra	Kelly	Prestin	VanWoerkom
Cavitt	Kuhn	Rigas	Wendzel
DeBoer	Kunse	Robinson	Woolford
DeBoyer	Lightner	Roth	Wortz
DeSana	Linting	Schmaltz	Wozniak
Fairbairn	Maddock		

Nays—45

Andrews	Glanville	Miller	Skaggs
Arbit	Grant	Morgan	Steckloff
Brixie	Hope	Myers-Phillips	Tate
Byrnes	Hoskins	O'Neal	Tsernoglou
Carter, B.	Koleszar	Paiz	Wegela
Carter, T.	Longjohn	Pohutsky	Weiss
Coffia	MacDonell	Price	Wilson
Conlin	Martus	Puri	Witwer
Dievendorf	McFall	Rheingans	Wooden
Farhat	McKinney	Rogers	Xiong
Fitzgerald	Mentzer	Scott	Young
Foreman			

In The Chair: Smit

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then not passed, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 49**Yeas—39**

Andrews	Fitzgerald	McKinney	Skaggs
Arbit	Foreman	Morgan	Steckloff
Brixie	Glanville	Myers-Phillips	Tate
Byrnes	Grant	Paiz	Tsernoglou
Carter, B.	Hope	Pohutsky	Wegela
Carter, T.	Hoskins	Price	Weiss
Coffia	Koleszar	Puri	Wilson
Conlin	Longjohn	Rheingans	Wooden
Dievendorf	MacDonell	Rogers	Young
Farhat	McFall	Scott	

Nays—64

Alexander	Frisbie	Martus	Schriver
Aragona	Green, P.	Meerman	Schuetta

BeGole	Greene, J.	Mentzer	Slagh
Beson	Hall	Miller	Smit
Bierlein	Harris	Mueller	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Hoadley	Neyer	Steele
Bollin	Jenkins-Arno	O'Neal	Thompson
Borton	Johnsen	Outman	Tisdell
Bruck	Kelly	Paquette	VanderWall
Carra	Kuhn	Pavlov	VanWoerkom
Cavitt	Kunse	Posthumus	Wendzel
DeBoer	Lightner	Prestin	Witwer
DeBoyer	Linting	Rigas	Woolford
DeSana	Maddock	Robinson	Wortz
Fairbairn	Markkanen	Roth	Wozniak
Fox	Martin	Schmaltz	Xiong

In The Chair: Smit

Rep. Posthumus moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
The motion prevailed.

Announcements by the Clerk

The Clerk received the following dissent on **House Resolution No. 55**, from Rep. Breen:

“This is reprehensible. Rethinking education can lead to amazing things. Dismantling our entire system, leaving special needs students without support or help, young adults without a path to obtain students loans, or without means for collaboration across states on how to educate our kids more meaningfully or effectively, is foolish and shortsighted. My children are thriving in one of the best districts in the state, and my son is on an IEP. It is because of the safeguards in place for special needs kids, and the methods and means supported by the Department of Education that have made their way to our district that my son is finally succeeding. Children cannot wait for the adults to get their act together - and we cannot afford to tear down the very institution that has been designed to help them. We must stop demonizing educators and instead provide the support they need so that they may continue to help our kids thrive.”

Rep. Scott moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 4:50 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, March 25, at 1:30 p.m.

SCOTT E. STARR
Clerk of the House of Representatives