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House Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, January 16, 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.

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| 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—present |
| Bierlein—present | Greene, J.—present | Mueller—present | St. Germaine—present |
| Bohnak—present | Hall—present | Myers-Phillips—present | Steckloff—present |
| Bollin—present | Harris—present | Neeley—present | Steele—present |
| Borton—present | Herzberg—present | 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 | Ternoglou—excused |
| Byrnes—present | Jenkins-Arno—present | Paquette—excused | 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—present | Puri—present | Wilson—present |
| DeBoer—present | Lightner—present | Rheingans—present | Witwer—present |
| DeBoyer—present | Linting—present | Rigas—present | Wooden—present |
| DeSana—excused | 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 | Schrivver—present | Young—present |
| Fitzgerald—present | Martus—present | | |

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Karl Bohnak, from the 109th District, offered the following invocation:

“O Divine Creator, We come before You with humble hearts, seeking Your blessings and guidance for our 103rd legislature. In a world filled with challenges, complexities, and uncertainties, we acknowledge the weight of our responsibilities.

Grant us the strength to lead with compassion, the wisdom to make decisions that promote prosperity for our state, as well as justice and equality for all, and the courage to stand for what is right, even in the face of adversity.

In Your name, we pray,
Amen.”

Rep. Fitzgerald moved that Reps. Tsernoglou and Whitsett be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Posthumus moved that Reps. DeSana and Paquette be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Brenda Carter and Rheingans offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 8.

A resolution to declare January 13, 2025, as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a private, not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. The organization is a sisterhood of predominantly black, college-educated women; and

Whereas, On January 13, 1913, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was founded at Howard University in the District of Columbia by Osceola Macarthy Adams, Marguerite Young Alexander, Winona Cargile Alexander, Ethel Cuff Black, Bertha Pitts Campbell, Zephyr Chisom Carter, Edna Brown Coleman, Jessie McGuire Dent, Frederica Chase Dodd, Myra Davis Hemmings, Olive Jones, Jimmie Bugg Middleton, Pauline Oberdorfer Minor, Vashti Turley Murphy, Naomi Sewell Toms, Ethel Carr Watson, Wertie Blackwell Weaver, Madree Penn White, and Edith Motte Young; and

Whereas, In March 1913, the founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., participated in the Women’s Suffrage March in the District of Columbia, the sorority’s first public act; and

Whereas, Since its founding, more than 350,000 women have joined the organization. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has twenty-eight chapters in Michigan: Pontiac Alumnae, Zeta Rho, Theta Theta, Tau Psi, Tau, Southfield Alumnae, Saginaw Alumnae, Rho Mu, Omicron Zeta, NU, Muskegon Heights Alumnae, Mu Phi, Midland Alumnae, Lansing Alumnae, Lambda Pi, Kalamazoo Alumnae, Inkster Alumnae, Grand Rapids Alumnae, Flint Alumnae, Epsilon Epsilon, Detroit Alumnae, Delta Upsilon, Delta Psi, Delta Beta, Benton Harbor-St. Joe Alumnae, Battle Creek Alumnae, Ann Arbor Alumnae, and Macomb Alumnae. There are more than 1,000 chapters located in the United States, England, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and South Korea; and

Whereas, On January 13, 2021, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., celebrated 108 years of thoughtful service to and conscientious leadership in communities throughout the United States and the world in diverse fields relating to public service and the organization’s five-point programmatic thrust: economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare January 13, 2025, as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Day in the state of Michigan. We recognize the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for their outstanding service to the citizens of our state, our nation, and the international community and for their promotion of sisterhood, scholarship, and service.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Posthumus moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Wednesday, January 22, at 1:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bill had been reproduced and made available electronically on Wednesday, January 15:

House Bill No. 4017

Reports of Select Committees

The Select Committee on Protecting Michigan Employees and Small Businesses, Rep. Schuette, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4001, entitled

A bill to amend 2014 PA 138, entitled "Workforce opportunity wage act," by amending sections 4 and 4b (MCL 408.414 and 408.414b); and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

With the recommendation that the substitute (H-2) 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. Schuette, Borton, Wendzel, Bierlein, Rigas, Schmaltz, Thompson, Fairbairn, Robinson, Herzberg, Whitsett, Witwer, Snyder and Longjohn

Nays: None

The Select Committee on Protecting Michigan Employees and Small Businesses, Rep. Schuette, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4002, entitled

A bill to amend 2018 PA 338, entitled "Earned sick time act," by amending sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, and 12 (MCL 408.962, 408.963, 408.964, 408.965, 408.966, 408.967, 408.968, 408.970, 408.971, and 408.972).

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. Schuette, Borton, Wendzel, Bierlein, Rigas, Schmaltz, Thompson, Fairbairn, Robinson, Herzberg, Tyrone Carter, Whitsett, Witwer, Snyder and Longjohn

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Schuette, Chair, of the Select Committee on Protecting Michigan Employees and Small Businesses, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, January 16, 2025

Present: Reps. Schuette, Borton, Wendzel, Bierlein, Rigas, Schmaltz, Thompson, Fairbairn, Robinson, Herzberg, Tyrone Carter, Whitsett, Witwer, Snyder and Longjohn

Rep. Woolford moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 12:35 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, January 22, at 1:30 p.m.

SCOTT E. STARR
Clerk of the House of Representatives