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10:00 a.m.

Pursuant to rule 1.101, in the absence of the Presiding Officers, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary of the Senate.

Motions and Communications

The following communications were received and read:
Office of the Auditor General

April 10, 2025

Enclosed is a copy of the following report:

- Performance audit on the Office of Family Advocate, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (491-2201-24).

April 11, 2025

Enclosed is a copy of the following report:

- Performance audit report on Pupil Transportation, Michigan Department of Education and Michigan Department of State Police (313-0212-23).

Sincerely,
Doug Ringler
Auditor General

The audit reports were referred to the Committee on Oversight.

Messages from the Governor

The following messages from the Governor were received and read:

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 232 of 1965, MCL 290.657:

Michigan Asparagus Marketing Program Advisory Board

Gerrit Herrygers of 2160 East Taylor Road, Hart, Michigan 49420, Oceana County, succeeding Dwight Fuehring whose term has expired, appointed as a Northern-Central Michigan grower, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring November 13, 2027.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 368 of 1978, MCL 333.22211:

Certificate of Need Commission

Robert Gibson of 4127 Winterset Lane, West Bloomfield, Michigan 48323, Oakland County, succeeding Renee Turner-Bailey who has resigned, appointed as an Independent and a member representing organized labor unions in this state, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring January 1, 2027.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 250 of 1982, MCL 722.604:

Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board – “Children Trust Michigan”

Chandra Madafferri of 23933 Winged Foot Way, South Lyon, Michigan 48178, Oakland County, succeeding Paula Herbart whose term has expired, appointed as a member representing organized labor, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring December 19, 2027.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointments to office pursuant to Executive Order No. 2012-17, MCL 400.1502:

Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board

Cynthia Ward of 2810 North Cambridge Road, Lansing, Michigan 48911, Ingham County, succeeding Elizabeth Hines whose term has expired, appointed as a member with experience in an area related to the problems of domestic or sexual violence, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring December 4, 2027.

Rebecca Shiemke of 1818 Chandler Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105, Washtenaw County, reappointed as a member with experience in an area related to the problems of domestic or sexual violence, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring December 4, 2027.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointments to office pursuant to Public Act 154 of 1974, MCL 408.1046:

Board of Health and Safety Compliance and Appeals

Kim Dennison of 6225 West Grand River Road, Laingsburg, Michigan 48848, Shiawassee County, reappointed as a member representing labor in the health industry, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring March 18, 2029.

Daniel Gadbois of 6253 Loraine Street, Romulus, Michigan 48174, Wayne County, succeeding James Dion whose term has expired, appointed as a member representing management in the construction industry, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring March 18, 2029.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointments to office pursuant to Public Act 451 of 1994, MCL 324.76503:

Mackinac Island State Park Commission

Marlee Brown of 3000 Hedgecliff Road, Mackinac Island, Michigan 49757, Mackinac County, will be reappointed as a resident of Mackinac Island, for a term commencing April 13, 2025, and expiring April 12, 2031.

Elizabeth Boyd of 3035 Westchester Road, Lansing, Michigan 48911, Ingham County, succeeding Rachel Bendit whose term will expire, will be appointed as a Democrat, for a term commencing April 13, 2025, and expiring April 12, 2031.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 455 of 2012, MCL 752.1086:

Organized Retail Crime Advisory Board

Andrew Beardslee of 1213 Jenne Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837, Eaton County, succeeding Amy Drumm whose term has expired, appointed as a member who is recommended by the Michigan Retailers Association, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring March 30, 2029.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointments to office pursuant to Public Act 300 of 1980, MCL 38.1322, as amended by Executive Order No. 2024-5:

Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System Board

Mark Greathead of 22148 Cherrylawn Drive, Brownstown, Michigan 48134, Wayne County, reappointed as a superintendent, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring March 30, 2029.

Elizabeth Eastway of 3602 Driftwood Drive, Cadillac, Michigan 49601, Wexford County, reappointed as a member in an active or retired noncertified educational support position, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring March 30, 2029.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 175 of 1927, MCL 769.34a:

Michigan Sentencing Commission

Christopher Yates of 6202 Tahoe Drive, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546, Kent County, appointed as chairperson, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring April 9, 2029.

April 10, 2025

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointments to office pursuant to Public Act 232 of 1965, MCL 290.657:

Michigan Soybean Committee

Gary Parr of 4949 North Wheaton Road, Charlotte, Michigan 48813, Eaton County, succeeding Pete Crawford whose term has expired, appointed as a district 2 grower, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring September 23, 2027.

Scott Wilson of 7405 Babcock Road, Lexington, Michigan 48450, Sanilac County, reappointed as a district 4 grower, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring September 23, 2027.

John Burk of 812 East Salzburg Road, Bay City, Michigan 48706, Bay County, reappointed as a district 5 grower, for a term commencing April 10, 2025, and expiring September 23, 2027.

Respectfully,
Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

The appointments were referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Pursuant to rule 3.104 the Senate proceeded to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Singh introduced

Senate Bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending sections 11550 and 11582 (MCL 324.11550 and 324.11582), section 11550 as amended by 2022 PA 248 and section 11582 as added by 2022 PA 250.

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

Senator Polehanki introduced

Senate Bill No. 202, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 411a (MCL 750.411a), as amended by 2012 PA 330.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Senator Polehanki introduced

Senate Bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 16t of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16t), as amended by 2018 PA 528.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Senators Chang and Bayer introduced

Senate Bill No. 204, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1258.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

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.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4180, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled “General sales tax act,” by amending sections 6a and 6c (MCL 205.56a and 205.56c), section 6a as amended by 2015 PA 264 and section 6c as added by 2015 PA 262, and by adding sections 4gg and 4hh.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4181, entitled

A bill to amend 2004 PA 175, entitled “Streamlined sales and use tax revenue equalization act,” by amending sections 3 and 5 (MCL 205.173 and 205.175), section 3 as amended by 2015 PA 177 and section 5 as amended by 2022 PA 24.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4182, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled “Use tax act,” by amending sections 6c and 21 (MCL 205.96c and 205.111), section 6c as added by 2015 PA 263 and section 21 as amended by 2023 PA 175, and by adding sections 4gg and 4hh.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4183, entitled

A bill to amend 2000 PA 403, entitled “Motor fuel tax act,” by amending section 8 (MCL 207.1008), as amended by 2015 PA 176.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4184, entitled

A bill to amend 1945 PA 327, entitled “Aeronautics code of the state of Michigan,” by amending sections 34 and 203 (MCL 259.34 and 259.203), section 34 as amended by 2015 PA 259 and section 203 as amended by 2015 PA 260.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4185, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled “General sales tax act,” by amending section 25 (MCL 205.75), as amended by 2023 PA 20.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4186, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled “Michigan business tax act,” by amending sections 201 and 500 (MCL 208.1201 and 208.1500), section 201 as amended by 2012 PA 605 and section 500 as amended by 2019 PA 90.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4187, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” by amending sections 623 and 695 (MCL 206.623 and 206.695), section 623 as amended by 2021 PA 135 and section 695 as amended by 2023 PA 4.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4230, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled “An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund,

comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by adding section 13c.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

Committee Reports

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Chang (C), Shink, Irwin and Santana

Excused: Senators Wojno, Runestad and Johnson

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Corrections & Judiciary submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., Room 1300, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Shink (C), Santana, Irwin and Outman

Scheduled Meetings

Appropriations – Wednesday, April 16, 1:00 p.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5307

Subcommittee –

Corrections & Judiciary – Thursday, April 17, 1:30 p.m., Room 1300, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-2768

Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety – Thursday, April 17, 12:30 p.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-5312

Joint Committee on Administrative Rules – Wednesday, April 16, 3:30 p.m., Room 521, 5th Floor, House Office Building (517) 373-5312

In the absence of all Senators, pursuant to Joint Rule 15, the Secretary of the Senate adjourned the Senate, the time being 10:05 a.m.

The Secretary of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN
Secretary of the Senate