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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, March 27, 2003.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor John D. Cherry, Jr.

The roll was called by the Secretary of the Senate, who announced that a quorum was present.

Allen—present
Barcia—present
Basham—present
Bernero—present
Birkholz—present
Bishop—present
Brater—present
Brown—present
Cassis—present
Cherry—present
Clark-Coleman—present
Clarke—present
Cropsey—present

Emerson—present
Garcia—present
George—present
Gilbert—present
Goschka—present
Hammerstrom—present
Hardiman—present
Jacobs—present
Jelinek—present
Johnson—present
Kuipers—present
Leland—present
McManus—present

Olshove—present
Patterson—present
Prusi—present
Sanborn—present
Schauer—present
Scott—present
Sikkema—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Thomas—present
Toy—present
Van Woerkom—present

Senator Michael Switalski of the 10th District offered the following invocation:

We normally bow our heads, Lord, but once in a while, it's nice to look You in the eyes.

We thank You today, Lord, for some of the little things in life. Thanks for this Senate and its better color scheme than the House Chamber.

Thanks for a great group of veteran colleagues. Despite term limits, You give us a chance to get to know and even like one another. Now help us to work together like old friends. Thanks for reinvigorating us with colleagues I hadn't known until now; like Bill, Michelle, Jim, and Alan. Their presence make this old club fresh.

Thanks for giving us the clock that makes us check in for attendance on time and vote in less than a minute. Thanks for the five-minute limit that forces our speeches to be concise and direct, although, Lord, You should have applied that same five-minute limit to invocations.

Thank You, Lord, for giving us an experienced Lieutenant Governor who knows how to use the gavel and who uses it frequently to make us listen to one another.

Thanks for helping us to lose some of the bad habits we developed in the House; like checking in late, holding three-hour caucuses, ignoring floor speeches, eating junk food during session, and fast-gaveling legislation.

Finally, Lord, thanks for the House and its 52 new members and its rambunctious, irreverent, life-affirming anarchy. And thanks for putting them all the way on the other side of the Capitol Building.

Thanks for all these good things, Lord. Amen.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Motions and Communications

Senator Leland entered the Senate Chamber.

The following communication was received and read:

Office of the Senate Majority Leader

March 26, 2003

Pursuant to MCL 484.1713(1)(i), I have appointed Mr. Lloyd Randolph Fayling III to the Michigan Emergency Telephone Service Committee. Mr. Fayling resides at 5293 Martin Road, Corunna, Michigan 48817.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Suzanne Miller Allen in my office.

Respectfully yours,
Ken Sikkema
Senate Majority Leader

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, March 26:
House Bill Nos. 4133 4224

The Secretary announced the printing and placement in the members' files on Wednesday, March 26, of:

Senate Bill Nos.	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348
House Bill Nos.	4439	4440	4441	4442	4443	4444	4445	4446	4447	4448	4449	4450	4451	4452
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By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 163, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending sections 6, 8, and 8c (MCL 125.2686, 125.2688, and 125.2688c), section 6 as amended by 2002 PA 478, section 8 as amended by 1999 PA 139, and section 8c as added by 2000 PA 259.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Brater offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 4, following line 14, by inserting:

“Enacting section 1. The exemptions, deductions, and credits listed in section 9(1) and 9(2) for those zones designated after 9 zones have been designated under this section shall not be effective for a period or tax year beginning after a state fiscal year unless both of the following have occurred:

(a) The last revenue estimating conference conducted under section 367b of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1367b, prior to the beginning of that state fiscal year has considered and identified for that period or tax year the revenue reductions resulting from the exemptions, deductions, and credits for that period or tax year, allocated to that fiscal year and the succeeding fiscal year.

(b) The budget bill setting forth the revenue estimate required by section 31 of article IV of the state constitution of 1963 contains separate, enacted line item appropriations from the appropriate funds identified to pay the amount of those exemptions, deductions, or credits, the aggregate of which equals the total revenue reductions for that fiscal year.”

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Schauer requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 50

Yeas—16

Barcia	Cherry	Jacobs	Schauer
Basham	Clark-Coleman	Leland	Scott
Bernero	Clarke	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Emerson	Prusi	Thomas

Nays—22

Allen	Garcia	Jelinek	Sanborn
Birkholz	George	Johnson	Sikkema
Bishop	Gilbert	Kuipers	Stamas
Brown	Goschka	McManus	Toy
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cropsey	Hardiman		

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 51

Yeas—27

Allen	Clarke	Hardiman	Sanborn
Barcia	Cropsey	Jelinek	Sikkema
Birkholz	Garcia	Johnson	Stamas
Bishop	George	Kuipers	Thomas
Brown	Gilbert	McManus	Toy
Cassis	Goschka	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cherry	Hammerstrom	Prusi	

Nays—11

Basham	Clark-Coleman	Leland	Scott
Bernero	Emerson	Olshove	Switalski
Brater	Jacobs	Schauer	

Excused—0**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Protests

Senators Emerson, Switalski, Brater, Schauer, Basham, Clark-Coleman, Jacobs and Scott, under their constitutional right of protest (Art. 4, Sec. 18), protested against the passage of Senate Bill No. 163.

Senators Emerson, Switalski, Brater and Schauer moved that the statements they made during the discussion of the amendment offered by Senator Brater be printed as their reasons for voting “no.”

The motion prevailed.

Senator Emerson’s statement, in which Senators Brater, Schauer, Basham, Clark-Coleman, Jacobs and Scott concurred, is as follows:

I rise on behalf of the Brater amendment. I’m a little hesitant to rise on behalf of the amendment because I think so far all the discussion about this bill is much ado about next to nothing.

However, the principle here is are we going to continue to make tax cuts without figuring out how to pay for these tax cuts? I take issue with some of the arguments that have been made that the current deficit situation we have today is due only to the economy when, in fact, our own Senate Fiscal Agency has given me data that indicates that about 80 percent of the problem we have today is caused by the tax cuts that we’ve implemented over the last three years, and continue to implement this year and next year. While 80 percent of that is due, according to our fiscal agency, to the tax cuts, we continue to try and convince ourselves that it’s just the economy that’s causing this problem when, in fact, we’ve been part and parcel of the problem.

I think what you have to do is begin to say, as we deal with additional tax cuts, that while this one is fairly minor and does next to nothing, we ought to be saying that from here on out as we deal with tax cuts, we’re not going to implement those tax cuts unless those people on the Appropriations Committee can figure out a way to pay for them. We appreciate all of their sincere efforts, and look forward to them identifying how they would do this before we pass the tax cuts.

Senator Switalski’s statement is as follows:

I rise in support of the concept of this amendment. I think it’s a good idea that we are fiscally responsible, but I’m not opposed to the idea of additional agricultural renaissance zones. I think, even in the committee, there was some Democratic support for this idea.

The concept of the amendment, and we’ve heard some discussion about how maybe some of the members don’t agree with the exact amendment, but the concept is that when we have an additional tax cut or a new program, we have to pay for that. The way we got ourselves into trouble now is by not doing that in the past—not paying for our tax cuts; not paying for our programs.

The analysis of this bill suggests that the cost might not be that large, so I don’t think it would be that difficult for the proponents of this to come up with the financing for it—to find the money for it. I think that this is a good precedent for us to set in this time of deficit. I hope the members will do that.

Senator Brater’s first statement is as follows:

This amendment addresses some of the issues I was addressing yesterday when this bill was on General Orders. My concern is that as we begin to approve bills that grant tax credits, abatements, deductions, and exemptions that we be

cognizant of the future fiscal impact that we are incurring. Even though this bill has a relatively small fiscal impact, only the first of many bills that I have seen introduced have relatively small fiscal impact, but begin to add up. Although I totally support the objective of the bill, it will be very hard for me to support it without identifying a revenue source. So what this amendment says is the facilities that are located in these ag renaissance zones will not be eligible to receive the exemptions, deductions, and credits associated with the acts for each upcoming fiscal year unless we identify the costs associated in these various tax exemptions and what the revenue source is in the budget. It is a matter of fiscal responsibility in this time of budget crisis. I hope you would support this amendment.

Senator Brater’s second statement is as follows:

I am speaking not only as vice chair of ag, but also as a member of the Finance Committee of this body. I just have been receiving a lot of information about the amount of tax expenditures that we have given out over the years. Little by little, the amount of money we have given out in both the SBT and the sales tax are equal, so the amount we’re collecting is as much as we’re not collecting in both of those categories—that totals about \$10 billion a year.

I think that we have to have an overall picture of what we’re doing bill by bill, especially now that we’ve done all the one-time fixes, and we’ve drained the rainy day fund. It’s true we have to balance the budget every year, but we’ve done it at great cost over the last couple of years. We’re going to do it at great cost in this fiscal year, so I think that we just have to have an overall look at all of our priorities and how everything fits together.

I just want to address the comments that this amendment might eliminate the appropriations process. In fact, subsection (b) brings the Appropriations Committee into the process. Up until now, the Appropriations Committee has not had any input into how this revenue is being spent. They deal with direct expenditures, not indirect expenditures. I hope that the members of the Appropriations Committee will see that they are more empowered through this amendment than they already are. I hope you will support it.

Senator Schauer’s statement is as follows:

I rise to support the Brater amendment. This does set an important precedent, per the comments of the bill’s sponsor. It’s a precedent in recognition that we cannot continue to conduct business as usual. We cannot pretend that we don’t have a \$1.7 billion General Fund deficit in a very uncertain economy. This amendment is one of fiscal responsibility and is a responsible response to the economic uncertainties and conditions that we face. This is a good amendment, and I would urge a “yes” vote.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending section 1303 (MCL 380.1303), as amended by 1995 PA 289.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 52

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Sanborn
Barcia	Clarke	Jelinek	Schauer
Basham	Cropsey	Johnson	Scott
Bernero	Emerson	Kuipers	Sikkema
Birkholz	Garcia	Leland	Stamas
Bishop	George	McManus	Switalski
Brater	Gilbert	Olshove	Thomas
Brown	Goschka	Patterson	Toy
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Prusi	Van Woerkom
Cherry	Hardiman		

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Resolutions

The question was placed on the adoption of the following resolution consent calendar:

Senate Resolution No. 43

Senate Resolution No. 44

Senate Resolution No. 45

Senate Resolution No. 46

Senate Resolution No. 47

The resolution consent calendar was adopted.

Senator Patterson offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 43.

A resolution honoring Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church on its 125th Anniversary.

Whereas, In the year 1878, a band of twelve stalwart men signed the first constitution of the new congregation which adopted the name The German Evangelical Lutheran Saint Paul Congregation of New Boston, Huron Township, Wayne County, Michigan; and

Whereas, This congregation grew, and the need to expand was imminent. In 1950, the old buildings were sold and removed and replaced with the current building on Craig Street in New Boston; and

Whereas, Over the last 125 years, this congregation has survived good times and bad times. It always remained true to its congregational roots while honoring its Creator, administering to its parishioners, and serving the needs of its followers and the community with worship and outreach services, Christian love and concern, and fellowship throughout the area; and

Whereas, The congregation has grown from twelve founding fathers to hundreds of families from throughout the Downriver area and western Wayne County. On July 2, 2000, Reverend D. Lee Cullen Jr. was installed as the pastor; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we honor and commemorate the 125th Anniversary of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. May this celebration serve to inspire and renew the faith and inspiration that have built this community; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of New Boston as a symbol of our esteem.

Senators Toy, Allen, Cassis, Kuipers, Switalski, Jacobs, Jelinek, Bernero, Thomas, Cherry, Hardiman, Schauer, Garcia, Van Woerkom, Goschka, Cropsey, Olshove, Bishop and Brater were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Basham offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 44.

A resolution to honor the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

Whereas, March 2003 has been designated by the National Kidney Foundation as Kidney Month; and

Whereas, One out of every nine adults over the age of 20 has chronic kidney disease; and

Whereas, Diabetes and high blood pressure are the leading causes of kidney failure in the United States; and

Whereas, Half of all cases of kidney failure can be prevented or slowed by controlling diabetes and high blood pressure through medication and/or positive lifestyle changes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body honor and thank the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan for all they do; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan as a reflection of our esteem.

Senators Cassis, Kuipers, Switalski, Jacobs, George, Jelinek, Bernero, Thomas, Cherry, Hardiman, Schauer, Garcia, Van Woerkom, Goschka, Cropsey, Olshove, Clark-Coleman, Prusi, Bishop and Brater were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Basham offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 45.

A resolution to honor the Michigan Corrections Organization on National Correctional Officer Week.

Whereas, May 2-8, 2003, has been designated National Corrections Officer Week; and

Whereas, The Michigan Corrections Organization, Service Employees International Union, Local 526M, proudly represents 10,000 corrections officers and forensic security aides working inside Michigan's prisons and prisoner psychiatric facilities; and

Whereas, The Michigan Corrections Organization was established in 1968 by a group of corrections officers who later became affiliated with the Service Employees International Union and the AFL-CIO; and

Whereas, The work performed by members of the Michigan Corrections Organization is often dangerous and goes without thanks; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body honor and thank the members of the Michigan Corrections Organization for the work they do; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Corrections Organization as a token of our gratitude.

Senators Cassis, Kuipers, Switalski, Jacobs, Jelinek, Bernero, Thomas, Cherry, Hardiman, Schauer, Garcia, Van Woerkom, Goschka, Cropsey, Olshove, Clark-Coleman, Prusi, Bishop and Brater were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Emerson offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 46.

A resolution honoring the Bears of Mott Community College as the 2003 National Junior College Athletic Association Basketball Champions.

Whereas, Mott Community College in Flint has a long history of excellence in athletics. The Bears have consistently performed well at the highest levels of competition. The men's basketball team exemplifies that tradition, having gone to the NJCAA Final Four three years in a row and to the championship game in two of three years; and

Whereas, The 2003 Mott men's basketball team compiled an overall record of 28-9 and a national ranking of 12th by the end of the regular season. In postseason play, the team garnered regional and district titles on their way to the national tournament. At the nationals in Danville, Illinois, Mott played four games in four days, two of which went into overtime, including only the second championship game ever to go to extra periods; and

Whereas, Mott ultimately prevailed in the final, defeating Lackawanna College of Pennsylvania by a 76-75 score. This victory provided Mott its first ever national championship; and

Whereas, The Bears epitomize the definition of a team, and special honor was bestowed on a few after the tournament. Kris Krzyminski was named Tournament Most Valuable Player, and DeMarcus Ishmeal was named Best Small Man of the event. Jasmon Youngblood was named along with Kris Krzyminski to the All-Tournament Team, and Coach Steve Schmidt was named Coach of the Tournament; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body join with Mott Community College students and staff and with all Michigan residents to celebrate the Bears 2003 men's basketball National Junior College Athletic Association championship; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mott Community College, Coach Steve Schmidt, and to each member of the 2003 national champion Bears basketball team as evidence of our admiration for their hard work and their success.

Senators Barcia, Basham, Brater, Thomas and Olshove offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 47.

A resolution commemorating the 120th Anniversary of the Second Baptist Church in Bay City.

Whereas, It is a special privilege to join in commemorating the 120th Anniversary of the Second Baptist Church of Bay City. The members of this congregation can be proud of the faith and devotion of the founding members that brought about the organization of this church; and

Whereas, The Second Baptist Church was founded in 1883 by a few faithful worshipers of Bay City along with their first pastor, Reverend John Collins; and

Whereas, In 1907, under the pastorate of Reverend Henry Brown, a major building project was completed where the church building was raised, and a basement was added to the building, making it a proper place for spiritual guidance and worship; and

Whereas, In 1934, under the leadership of Reverend William McCottry, a lot adjacent to the church was purchased. A junior and senior choir were also formed under the tenure of Reverend McCottry, and in his memory, was named the "McCottry Choir"; and

Whereas, In order to help the needs of the community, the Second Baptist Church has instituted a puppet ministry, sponsored a mission in 1993 in Zimbabwe, Africa, and established a day care center in 1992. The purpose of these ministries is to initiate community awareness and to stimulate and enhance spiritual growth for the betterment of all people in the community as they meet the daily challenges of our society; and

Whereas, For 120 years, the Second Baptist Church has worked within the community of Bay City, providing services to those in need; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby recognize April 24-27, 2003, as the 120th Anniversary celebration of the Second Baptist Church in Bay City; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the congregation and the Reverend Seth Doyle of the Second Baptist Church in Bay City.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Statements

Senator George asked and was granted unanimous consent to make a statement and moved that the statement be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator George's statement is as follows:

I rise also to make note of an anniversary and that is on Sunday, March 30. It will be the 161st anniversary of the discovery of anesthesia. Anesthesia was first discovered in the United States in 1842. It's an American contribution to the field of medicine. It came about as a result of a fad or a trend of the day, and that was the fad of experimenting with ether and nitrous oxide at social gatherings. It was publicly accepted to do that. The risks and hazards of experimenting with drugs was not fully understood, and it was the fad of the day. The 1840s were a time of prosperity and a rising middle class, and these were known as ether frolics.

A medical student named Crawford Long participated in ether frolics, and when he settled into his practice in Athens, Georgia, he took with him some ether and his knowledge of how to prepare it and how to apply it. He had a patient approach him. The patient's name was James Venable, who needed to have a minor surgical procedure done, but without anesthesia, was very reluctant to proceed. Dr. Long, knowing Mr. Venable and knowing that he had inhaled ether at a social gathering, suggested that the procedure could be performed under the influence of ether. They arranged to do that in his office, and that was done then on March 30, 1842.

Now, Dr. Long failed to publicize his discovery. He went on to administer ether to about a dozen patients during that period but failed to tell the medical community what he had discovered. In the meantime, others went on to discover anesthesia, but Dr. Long was the first. And now 161 years later, anesthesia has developed into a modern medical specialty which is focused on relieving pain and preventing suffering. And though I am proud to serve with you colleagues in the Senate, I am equally proud to return to my district on a part-time basis when we are not in session and to practice my chosen specialty which is focused on relieving the pain and suffering of our fellow human beings.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Brown, Goschka, Clarke, Bishop, Sanborn and Kuipers introduced

Senate Bill No. 349, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," (MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 4cc.

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

Senators Brown, Cherry, Olshove, Goschka, Clarke, Stamas, Sanborn, Kuipers, Switalski, Cassis, Basham and Garcia introduced

Senate Bill No. 350, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 560, 666, 706, and 777 (MCL 168.560, 168.666, 168.706, and 168.777), section 706 as amended by 1985 PA 160.

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

Senators Brater, Jacobs, Scott, Emerson and Leland introduced

Senate Bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 3902 (MCL 324.3902).

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

Senators Thomas and Garcia introduced

Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

A bill to designate March 31 of each year as Cesar Chavez day in the state of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

House Bill No. 4133, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 628 (MCL 257.628), as amended by 2000 PA 167.

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 Transportation.

House Bill No. 4224, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 628 (MCL 257.628), as amended by 2000 PA 167.

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 Transportation.

Committee Reports

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

House Bill No. 4139, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 43536a (MCL 324.43536a), as added by 1996 PA 585.

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

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Patricia L. Birkholz
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Birkholz, Patterson, Brater and Basham

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (formerly Michigan National Tower)

Present: Senators Birkholz (C), Patterson, Van Woerkom, Brater and Basham

The Committee on Judiciary reported

Senate Bill No. 293, entitled

A bill to amend 1929 PA 152, entitled "An act to provide for the state-owned and operated Michigan public safety communications system for police and public safety purposes; to provide for acquisition, construction, implementation, operation, and maintenance of the property and equipment necessary to operate the system; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials," by amending section 3 (MCL 28.283), as amended by 1996 PA 538.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Alan L. Cropsey
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Cropsey, Bishop, Sanborn, Patterson and Brater

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Judiciary reported

House Bill No. 4198, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 82126 (MCL 324.82126), as amended by 1998 PA 30.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Alan L. Cropsey
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Cropsey, Bishop, Sanborn, Patterson, Schauer, Bernero and Brater

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Judiciary submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 1:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Cropsey (C), Bishop, Sanborn, Patterson, Schauer, Bernero and Brater

The Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs reported

House Bill No. 4079, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 20194 and 21799a (MCL 333.20194 and 333.21799a), section 20194 as added by 1993 PA 79.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Laura Toy
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Toy, Stamas, Gilbert and Olshove

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at 1:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Toy (C), Stamas, Gilbert and Olshove

Excused: Senator Clark-Coleman

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Agriculture submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 20, 2003, at 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Brown (C), Jelinek and Barcia

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Family Independence Agency submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 20, 2003, at 2:00 p.m., Room 810, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Hardiman (C), George and Scott

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Transportation submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 11:30 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Gilbert (C), Kuipers, Goschka, Leland and Basham

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on General Government submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 1:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Garcia (C), McManus and Switalski

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Transportation submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Johnson (C), Stamas and Barcia

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Commerce and Labor submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 3:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Allen (C), Kuipers, McManus, Schauer and Olshove

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Judiciary and Corrections submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at 3:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Cropsy (C), Brown, Garcia, Prusi and Switalski

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on History, Arts, and Libraries submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at 12:00 noon, Room 810, Farnum Building

Present: Senators George (C), McManus and Clarke

Scheduled Meetings

Appropriations -

Subcommittees -

Agriculture - Thursdays, April 3 and April 24, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-5932)

Capital Outlay - Thursday, April 3, 8:45 a.m., House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2523)

Family Independence Agency - Tuesday, April 1, 2:00 p.m., Room 810, Farnum Building (CANCELED); Wednesday, April 2, 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (formerly Michigan National Tower) (CANCELED); and Thursday, April 3, 2:00 p.m., Room 810, Farnum Building (373-1801)

General Government - Tuesdays, April 1 and April 22, 1:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2420)

Judiciary and Corrections - Tuesdays, April 1 and April 22, 3:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-3760)

State Police and Military Affairs - Tuesdays, April 1 and April 22, 1:00 p.m., Room 405, Capitol Building (373-5932)

Transportation Department - Tuesdays, April 1, April 8, April 15, and April 22, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2523)

Business Competitiveness Joint Select Committee (SCR 3) - Monday, March 31, 6:00 p.m., Grand Valley State University, Eberhard Center, 301 W. Fulton Street, Grand Rapids (373-7670)

Government Operations - Tuesday, April 1, 1:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (formerly Michigan National Tower) (373-0797)

Legislative Retirement Board of Trustees - Wednesday, April 2, 3:00 p.m., Room H-252, 2nd Floor, Capitol Building (373-0575)

Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs - Wednesday, April 2, 1:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building (373-1707)

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:48 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, April 1, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.

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Secretary of the Senate