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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, February 12, 2015.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Margaret E. O'Brien.

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

Ananich—present  
Bieda—present  
Booher—present  
Brandenburg—present  
Casperson—present  
Colbeck—present  
Emmons—present  
Green—present  
Gregory—present  
Hansen—present  
Hertel—present  
Hildenbrand—present  
Hood—present

Hopgood—present  
Horn—present  
Hune—present  
Johnson—present  
Jones—present  
Knezek—present  
Knollenberg—present  
Kowall—present  
MacGregor—present  
Marleau—present  
Meekhof—present  
Nofs—present  
O'Brien—present

Pavlov—present  
Proos—present  
Robertson—present  
Rocca—present  
Schmidt—present  
Schuitmaker—present  
Shirkey—present  
Smith—present  
Stamas—present  
Warren—present  
Young—present  
Zorn—present

Chaplain Karlene Hattrick of American Legion Post 150 of Frankenmuth offered the following invocation:

Almighty God, You who hung the stars in the sky and called them each by name; You who knew each one of us before we took our first breath and who walks with us until we breathe our last: We come humbly before You today with gratitude in our hearts for Your unfailing goodness and love toward us.

Lord, You left us with the commandment that we shall love our neighbors as ourselves, and so we ask Your blessing upon the legislators of Michigan gathered here today. Grant to them a vision of this state that will fulfill Your purposes. May it be a state of justice, where none prey upon others; a state of economic plenty, where greed and poverty are both done away with; a state of compassion, where the needs of the unfortunate are met with care; a state of brotherhood, where success is founded upon service and where honor is given based on the content of character alone; and a state of peace, where order does not rest on force, but on love for each and everyone.

These men and women in this room have an awesome responsibility to govern the citizens of this state with justice and integrity. So I ask, O Lord, that You would grant to them an extra measure of wisdom. For as it is written, if you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and He will give it to you. So give generously, Lord, to those here today, not for their own glory and honor, but that these who serve the people of Michigan may do so in a way that brings glory and honor to Your holy name.

It's in that name that we pray. Amen.

The Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O'Brien, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

### Motions and Communications

Senator Hood moved that Senator Johnson be temporarily excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kowall moved that rule 3.902 be suspended to allow the guests of Senator Colbeck admittance to the Senate floor.

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Colbeck's statement is as follows:

We have a very Special Tribute today for a colleague of mine who followed a pretty unusual path to serve us here in the Senate, a former staffer of mine, Theresa Jasko. She actually came out of the convent and came to serve us and my constituents of the 7th District in our office. It was a little bit of a change in environment, but she did amazing in service to our constituents, in service to me, and keeping a cheerful disposition. We didn't quite sing the song "How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria?"; but this is a case where she brought a lot of joy to our office and a lot of joy to our constituents. I constantly got contacted by constituents saying, "We love talking to Theresa whenever we call into the office, and she always takes such good care of us."

We just wanted to pull together a very Special Tribute for her, with her and her parents joining us today. If you don't mind, I would like to read this tribute on her behalf:

"LET IT BE KNOWN, That it has been a distinct pleasure to have been blessed by the professional and kind service that Theresa Jasko provided as Scheduler and Constituent Relations Aide for Michigan State Senator Patrick Colbeck.

Theresa Jasko graduated in April 2003 from the University of Michigan with a major in Cultural Anthropology and a minor in Classical Archaeology. After graduation, Theresa moved to Lansing, where she worked in the film and video industry for a small production company for several years while also engaging in free-lance film and video work. Later, she worked for a technology company doing web hosting and VoIP services. Theresa joined the office of Senator Colbeck in March of 2012 and quickly became a valued member of the staff.

As Senator Colbeck's Scheduler and Constituent Relations Aide, Theresa Jasko wore many hats. The favorite parts of her job in the Senate were helping constituents find needed social services, learning more about the legislative process, and managing the interns. It was not uncommon to find her spending hours on the phone with a constituent helping them to navigate a complex problem with state government or just giving them a listening ear, only to see her quickly switch gears and reschedule a meeting.

In 2013, Theresa Jasko founded an international nonprofit called Leonie's Longing, where she currently serves as the group's President. The compassion and kindness she has shown to those the nonprofit serves is a testament to the heart she has for those in need. She is dedicated to doing the job right and doing it well, and her outstanding work ethic and attention to detail are evident in both her work with Leonie's Longing and in the State Senate.

Theresa Jasko’s rare blend of professionalism, perseverance, joviality, honesty, and kindness will be sorely missed by her co-workers and those who came in contact with her through our office. We sincerely hope the days ahead will be blessed and allow her to make more friendships and touch the lives of many others in her daily pursuits in the same way she has touched the lives of our 7th District team.

IN SPECIAL TRIBUTE, Therefore, This document is signed and dedicated to honor Theresa Jasko in appreciation of her dedicated service to Senator Colbeck, the constituents of the 7th District, and the People of the State of Michigan. May God bless her and all of her future endeavors.”

Senator Johnson entered the Senate Chamber.

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, February 11, and are available at the Michigan Legislature website:

<b>Senate Bill Nos.</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>97</b>	
<b>House Bill Nos.</b>	<b>4162</b>	<b>4163</b>	<b>4164</b>	<b>4165</b>	<b>4166</b>	<b>4167</b>	<b>4168</b>	<b>4169</b>	<b>4170</b>	<b>4171</b>	<b>4172</b>	<b>4173</b>	<b>4174</b>	<b>4175</b>
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**Messages from the Governor**

The following message from the Governor was received on February 11, 2015, and read:

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**  
No. 2015-5

**Implementation of Expenditure Reductions Under  
Section 20 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963**

WHEREAS, under Section 20 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the Governor, with the approval of the appropriating committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate, shall reduce expenditures authorized by appropriations whenever it appears that actual revenues for a fiscal period will fall below the revenue estimates on which appropriations for that period were based, and the reductions shall be made in accordance with procedures prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, it appears that actual revenues for the fiscal period beginning on October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2015, will fall below the revenue estimates on which appropriations for that period were based, the estimates having been determined by the Legislature as required under Section 31 of Article IV of the Michigan Constitution of 1963; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 391 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1391, on the basis of written information from the State Budget Director and the State Treasurer, it appears that actual revenues will fall below such revenue estimates; and

WHEREAS, there is an unanticipated loss of funding that the departments and agencies of state government do not expect to obtain or make up during the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, expenditure reductions totaling \$102,887,900.00 general fund-general purpose and \$3,500,000.00 special purpose funds are necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Snyder, Governor of the state of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, and with the approval of a majority of members of each appropriations committee, order the following reductions in expenditures:

A. Portions of general fund-general purpose expenditures authorized by appropriations amounting to \$102,887,900.00 contained in the following articles of 2014 PA 252 are hereby reduced. Where the expenditure reductions of general fund-general purpose appropriations in this Order reduce the restricted portions of gross appropriations and sources of financing that will be earned, the amounts to be reduced shall be provided separately to the State Budget Director for approval and entry into the accounts.

<u>2014 PA 252</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Reduction Amount</u>
Article I	Agriculture	\$600,000
Article IV	Community Health	16,550,000
Article V	Corrections	17,800,000
Article VI	Education	5,814,000
Article VII	Environmental Quality	3,400,000

Article X	Human Services	15,492,800
Article XIII	Licensing and Regulatory Affairs	200,000
Article XV	Natural Resources	1,500,000
Article XVI	State Police	23,331,100
Article VIII	Technology, Management, and Budget	15,500,000
Article VIII	Treasury	<u>2,700,000</u>
	TOTAL	\$102,887,900

B. The reduction totals for the departments and offices in Section A include the following appropriation items or are predicated upon the following actions:

**1. Department of Agriculture**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
01079	Food and agriculture industry growth initiative	<u>600,000</u>
		600,000

**2. Department of Community Health**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
01130	Behavioral health program administration	300,000
11100	Pay for success contracts	1,500,000
11200	Health and wellness initiatives	1,500,000
11374	Injury control intervention project	350,000
12263	Essential local public health services	1,500,000
14241	Mental health commission recommendations	2,900,000
33500	Hospital services and therapy	7,000,000
33550	Health plan services	<u>1,500,000</u>
		16,550,000

The amount in Article IV, Section 1866(1) is reduced to \$10,000,000.00.

**3. Department of Corrections**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
01098	Prisoner re-entry local service providers	500,000
03112	Worker's compensation	1,500,000
23322	Special alternative incarceration program (Camp Cassidy Lake)	228,000
24300	Electronic monitoring center	3,000,000
28531	County jail reimbursement program	1,250,000
29005	Education program	500,000
29511	Prison food service	1,000,000
29512	Transportation	1,000,000
30522	Southern region administration and support	645,000
32002	Charles E. Egeler correctional facility – Jackson	606,000
34002	Parnall correctional facility – Jackson	304,000
35002	Cooper street correctional facility – Jackson	228,000
46002	Alger correctional facility – Munising	568,000
47002	Baraga correctional facility – Baraga	228,000
48002	Carson City correctional facility – Carson City	304,000
49002	Chippewa correctional facility – Kincheloe	1,500,000
51002	Marquette branch prison – Marquette	304,000
52002	Oaks correctional facility – Eastlake	379,000
67002	Bellamy Creek correctional facility – Ionia	454,000
69002	St. Louis correctional facility – St. Louis	531,000
70002	Central Michigan correctional facility – St. Louis	228,000
72002	Earnest C. Brooks correctional facility – Muskegon	304,000
74002	Michigan reformatory – Ionia	151,000
75002	Womens Huron Valley correctional complex – Ypsilanti	607,000
79002	Gus Harrison correctional facility – Adrian	304,000
80002	Thumb correctional facility – Lapeer	304,000
83002	Saginaw correctional facility – Freeland	228,000
84002	Woodland correctional facility – Whitmore Lake	417,000
89002	Macomb correctional facility – New Haven	<u>228,000</u>
		17,800,000

**4. Department of Education**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
05104	Child development and care public assistance	2,400,000
06103	Educator evaluations and assessments phase-in operations	<u>3,414,000</u>
		5,814,000

**5. Department of Environmental Quality**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
06051	Water pollution control and drinking water revolving fund	2,750,000
07010	Electronic document management	<u>650,000</u>
		3,400,000

**6. Department of Human Services**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
12080	Payroll taxes and fringe benefits	10,000
16150	Direct agency charges	2,750,000
32640	Emergency services local office allocations	559,300
47600	W.J. Maxey training school	400,000
47830	In-home community care	600,000
47850	Juvenile justice vision 20/20	1,000,000
62610	Field staff, salaries and wages	94,200
62620	Healthy Michigan plan administration	2,181,900
74350	Child welfare institute	50,000
74750	Adoption subsidies	6,547,400
81520	Michigan rehabilitation services	<u>1,300,000</u>
		15,492,800

The amount in Article X, Section 587 (1) of 2014 PA 252 is reduced to \$650,000.00.

The amount in Article X, Section 703 (1) of 2014 PA 252 is reduced to \$0.00.

**7. Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
18330	Health systems regulation	100,000
18600	Health professions regulation	<u>100,000</u>
		200,000

**8. Department of Natural Resources**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
01730	Michigan historical center	50,000
02411	Forest recreation and trails	150,000
02511	Mackinac Island state park operations	50,000
06019	Nonmotorized trail development and maintenance grants	1,000,000
24046	State parks repair and maintenance	<u>250,000</u>
		1,500,000

**9. Department of State Police**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
28010	Emergency management and homeland security	500,000
28190	Disaster assistance	16,000,000
28600	Local public safety initiative	500,000
32170	Capitol complex security	294,000
32500	General law enforcement and traffic safety	2,827,100
36010	Commercial vehicle enforcement	<u>3,210,000</u>
		23,331,100

**10. Department of Technology, Management, and Budget**

Appropriation Number	Item	Reduction Amount
00008	Homeland security initiative/cyber security	1,000,000
00010	General government and public safety information technology investment project	2,500,000

00100	Michigan public safety communications system	3,500,000
20142	Regional prosperity grants	500,000
20151	Litigation fund	2,000,000
20153	Office of urban initiatives	1,000,000
77081	Enterprisewide special maintenance for state facilities	<u>5,000,000</u>
		15,500,000

**11. Department of Treasury**

Appropriation		Reduction
Number	Item	Amount
02410	Tax and economic policy	600,000
02460	Tobacco tax enforcement	100,000
09316	Senior citizen cooperative housing tax exemption program	<u>2,000,000</u>
		2,700,000

C. Portions of appropriations financed with special purpose revenue amounting to \$3,500,000.00 contained in the following public acts are reduced as follows:

<u>Public Act</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Reduction</u>
2012 PA 200	Technology, Management, and Budget	\$1,500,000
2013 PA 59	Technology, Management, and Budget	<u>2,000,000</u>
	TOTAL	\$3,500,000

D. The reduction totals for the department in Section C include the following appropriation items:

**Department of Technology, Management, and Budget – Information, Communications and Technology**

**Innovation Fund**

Appropriation		Reduction
Number	Item	Amount
43825	Information, communications and technology innovation fund	<u>3,500,000</u>
		3,500,000

The State Budget Director is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement the provisions of this Order to reduce expenditures authorized by appropriations as specified above for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2015.

This Order is effective upon approval by the appropriations committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate, as provided under Section 20 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Section 391 of The Management and Budget Act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1391.

[SEAL]

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the state of Michigan this 11th day of February, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.

Richard D. Snyder  
Governor

By the Governor:

Ruth A. Johnson  
Secretary of State

The executive order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

**General Orders**

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for consideration of the General Orders calendar.

The motion prevailed, and the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O’Brien, designated Senator Hildenbrand as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the Assistant President pro tempore, Senator O’Brien, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

**Senate Bill No. 44, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 613a (MCL 168.613a), as amended by 2011 PA 163.

**Senate Bill No. 45, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 641 (MCL 168.641), as amended by 2005 PA 71.

**Senate Bill No. 42, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 7a, 18b, 25, 67a, 212, 259, 306, 307, 309, 310d, 310e, 312e, 312f, 319, 319b, 324, 732, 803b, and 904 (MCL 257.7a, 257.18b, 257.25, 257.67a, 257.212, 257.259, 257.306, 257.307, 257.309, 257.310d, 257.310e, 257.312e, 257.312f, 257.319, 257.319b, 257.324, 257.732, 257.803b, and 257.904), sections 7a and 212 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 18b as added and section 67a as amended by 1988 PA 346, section 306 as amended by 2014 PA 120, section 307 as amended by 2012 PA 55, section 309 as amended by 2012 PA 355, section 310d as amended by 2004 PA 62, section 310e as amended by 2011 PA 124, sections 312e and 803b as amended by 2011 PA 159, section 312f as amended by 2012 PA 473, section 319 as amended by 2012 PA 306, section 319b as amended by 2012 PA 498, section 324 as amended by 2006 PA 298, section 732 as amended by 2012 PA 592, and section 904 as amended by 2008 PA 461, and by adding section 306a.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

**Third Reading of Bills**

Senator Kowall moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

**Senate Bill No. 44**

**Senate Bill No. 45**

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

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 44, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 613a (MCL 168.613a), as amended by 2011 PA 163.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Senator Bieda offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 2, line 3, by striking out all of enacting section 2 and inserting:

“Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) Senate Bill No. 45.
- (b) Senate Bill No. 59.”.

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

Senator Hood 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. 9**

**Yeas—12**

Ananich	Hertel	Johnson	Smith
Bieda	Hood	Knezek	Warren
Gregory	Hopgood	Rocca	Young

**Nays—26**

Booher	Hildenbrand	Marleau	Robertson
Brandenburg	Horn	Meekhof	Schmidt
Casperson	Hune	Nofs	Schuitmaker
Colbeck	Jones	O’Brien	Shirkey
Emmons	Knollenberg	Pavlov	Stamas
Green	Kowall	Proos	Zorn
Hansen	MacGregor		

**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

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. 10**

**Yeas—38**

Ananich	Hertel	Kowall	Rocca
Bieda	Hildenbrand	MacGregor	Schmidt
Booher	Hood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Meekhof	Shirkey
Casperson	Horn	Nofs	Smith
Colbeck	Hune	O'Brien	Stamas
Emmons	Johnson	Pavlov	Warren
Green	Jones	Proos	Young
Gregory	Knezek	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	Knollenberg		

**Nays—0**

**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: O'Brien

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Calley, assumed the Chair.

The following bill was read a third time:

**Senate Bill No. 45, entitled**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 641 (MCL 168.641), as amended by 2005 PA 71.

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. 11**

**Yeas—38**

Ananich	Hertel	Kowall	Rocca
Bieda	Hildenbrand	MacGregor	Schmidt

Booher	Hood	Marleau	Schuitmaker
Brandenburg	Hopgood	Meekhof	Shirkey
Casperson	Horn	Nofs	Smith
Colbeck	Hune	O'Brien	Stamas
Emmons	Johnson	Pavlov	Warren
Green	Jones	Proos	Young
Gregory	Knezek	Robertson	Zorn
Hansen	Knollenberg		

**Nays—0**

**Excused—0**

**Not Voting—0**

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

**Resolutions**

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

**Senate Resolution No. 13**

The resolution consent calendar was adopted.

Senator Brandenburg offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 13.**

A resolution designating February 15-21, 2015, as Michigan Court Reporting and Captioning Week.

Whereas, For millennia, individuals have wanted the spoken word translated into text to record history and have relied on scribes to accomplish this task; and

Whereas, The profession of scribe was born with the rise of civilization; and

Whereas, In Ancient Egypt, scribes were considered to be the literate elite, recording laws and other important documents and, since that time, have served as impartial witnesses to history; and

Whereas, Scribes were present with our nation's Founding Fathers as the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights were drafted; and

Whereas, President Lincoln entrusted scribes to record the Emancipation Proclamation; and

Whereas, Since the advent of shorthand machines, these scribes have been known as court reporters and have played a permanent and invaluable role in courtrooms across our country; and

Whereas, Court reporters and captioners are responsible for the closed captioning seen scrolling across television screens, at sporting stadiums, and in other community and educational settings, bringing information to millions of deaf and hard-of-hearing Americans every day; and

Whereas, Court reporters and captioners translate the spoken word into text and preserve our history; and

Whereas, Whether called the scribes of yesterday or the court reporters and captioners of today, the individuals who preserve our nation's history are truly the guardians of the record; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we designate February 15-21, 2015, as Michigan Court Reporting and Captioning Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor requesting that a proclamation be issued calling on the residents of the great state of Michigan to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and educational activities.

Senators Bieda, Booher, Gregory, Hertel, Kowall, Proos and Schmidt were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

### Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Hune introduced

**Senate Joint Resolution H, entitled**

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by adding section 28 to article I, to prohibit illegal aliens from receiving public assistance in this state.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Seniors and Human Services.

Senator Pavlov introduced

**Senate Bill No. 103, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1249 and 1249a (MCL 380.1249 and 380.1249a), section 1249 as amended by 2014 PA 257 and section 1249a as added by 2011 PA 102, and by adding sections 1249b and 1531j; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Senator Casperson introduced

**Senate Bill No. 104, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 3317.

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

Senator Green introduced

**Senate Bill No. 105, 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; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 10 (MCL 247.660), as amended by 2014 PA 473, and by adding section 11g.

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

Senators Green, Colbeck, Horn, Brandenburg, Marleau, O'Brien, Hansen, Booher, Rocca, Zorn, Robertson and Pavlov introduced

**Senate Bill No. 106, entitled**

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," by amending section 4o (MCL 205.54o), as amended by 2004 PA 173.

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

Senator Hood introduced

**Senate Bill No. 107, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled "Michigan consumer protection act," by amending section 3 (MCL 445.903), as amended by 2010 PA 195.

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

Senators Zorn, Horn, Colbeck, Jones, Nofs, Booher, Marleau, Hansen, Gregory, MacGregor and Bieda introduced

**Senate Bill No. 108, entitled**

A bill to amend 1989 PA 24, entitled "The district library establishment act," by amending section 2 (MCL 397.172), as amended by 2005 PA 60.

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

### Statements

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Colbeck's statement is as follows:

This morning, as I often do, I review the news service headlines and read some of the stories that are coming through. One that came through today was kind of disturbing from my perspective, and I think it should be disturbing for taxpayers. I was reading through these headlines, and I found out that the Michigan Townships Association is contributing \$100,000 to the Say Yes to Roads ballot proposal. For those of you who don't know, the Townships Association is paid for by dues that come from our local municipalities and that's coming from taxpayer dollars. In essence, taxpayer dollars are being used to lobby the taxpayers to increase their taxes.

We are all trying to be fiscally responsible here in this body. I'm one of those folks who supports increased funding for the folks in local units of government, because for years, I think there's been a case where I would rather have the local units of government get more funds than what happens up at the state level. I have a concern that this is a bad precedent. I think that it is a poor use of taxpayer dollars, and it's something I think as legislators we should be aware of going forward. My personal preference would be to discourage such activities and such lobbying efforts with taxpayer dollars.

### Committee Reports

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 49, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by amending the heading of chapter XXA and by adding section 145s.

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.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda

Nays: Senator Colbeck

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

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 50, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 16g of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16g), as amended by 2012 PA 195.

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.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca and Bieda

Nays: Senator Colbeck

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

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 53, 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 sections 1 and 5o (MCL 28.421 and 28.425o), section 1 as amended by 2014 PA 203 and section 5o as amended by 2014 PA 206.

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.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Colbeck and Bieda

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Judiciary reported

**Senate Bill No. 72, entitled**

A bill to amend 2008 IL 1, entitled "Michigan medical marijuana act," by amending section 7 (MCL 333.26427).

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.

Rick Jones  
Chairperson

## To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jones, Schuitmaker, Rocca, Colbeck and Bieda

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 Judiciary submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Jones (C), Schuitmaker, Rocca, Colbeck and Bieda

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Appropriations submitted the following:

Joint meeting held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Hildenbrand (C), MacGregor, Hansen, Stamas, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg, Booher, Proos, Nofs, Green, Marleau, Gregory, Hopgood, Hertel, Knezek and Young

Excused: Senator Shirkey

## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Transportation submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 8:30 a.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Caspersen (C), Horn, Pavlov and Marleau

Excused: Senator Hopgood

**Scheduled Meetings****Appropriations -****Subcommittees -**

**Agriculture and Rural Development** - Tuesdays, February 17, March 10, March 17, and March 24, 3:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Community Colleges** - Wednesdays, February 18 and March 25, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Community Health** - Tuesdays, February 17, February 24, and March 3, 2:30 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**Corrections** - Thursdays, February 19, March 5, and March 26, 9:00 a.m., Room 405, Capitol Building; February 26, March 12, and March 19, 9:00 a.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-2768)

**General Government** - Thursdays, February 19, 9:15 a.m., February 26, March 5, March 12, March 19, and March 26, 8:30 a.m., Room 100, Farnum Building (373-2768)

**Higher Education** - Thursday, February 19, 1:30 p.m., Central Michigan University, Park Library, 250 West Preston Street, Mount Pleasant; Tuesday, February 24, 11:30 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building; and Monday, March 2, 1:30 p.m., Ferris State University, University Center, Room 203, 805 Campus Drive, Big Rapids (373-2768)

**Judiciary** - Wednesdays, February 18, February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, and March 25, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**K-12, School Aid, Education** - Wednesdays, February 18, 8:30 a.m., Room 405, Capitol Building; February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, and March 25, 8:30 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Licensing and Regulatory Affairs** - Wednesday, February 18, 8:30 a.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-2768)

**State Police and Military Affairs** - Thursdays, February 19 (CANCELED), February 26 (CANCELED), March 5 (CANCELED), March 12 (CANCELED), and March 26 (CANCELED), 1:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, February 24, March 3, March 10, and March 24, 8:30 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**State Police and Military Affairs and House State Police Appropriations Subcommittee** - Tuesday, February 17, 8:30 a.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Transportation** - Thursdays, February 19, March 12, March 19, and March 26, 8:30 a.m.; February 26, 11:00 a.m.; and March 5, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

**Education** - Tuesday, February 17, 12:00 noon, Room 110, Farnum Building (373-5314)

**Judiciary** - Tuesday, February 17, 3:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1721)

**Legislative Council** - Thursday, February 26, 9:00 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-0212)

**Transportation and House Transportation and Infrastructure** - Tuesday, February 17, 10:30 a.m. or later immediately following session, Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-5323)

Senator Kowall moved that the Senate adjourn.  
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:37 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Calley, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

JEFFREY F. COBB  
Secretary of the Senate

