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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, January 27, 1999.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus.

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

Bennett—present  
Bullard—present  
Byrum—present  
Cherry—present  
DeBeaussaert—present  
DeGrow—present  
Dingell—present  
Dunaskiss—present  
Emerson—present  
Emmons—present  
Gast—present  
Goschka—present  
Gougeon—present

Hammerstrom—present  
Hart—present  
Hoffman—present  
Jaye—present  
Koivisto—present  
Leland—present  
McCotter—present  
McManus—present  
Miller—present  
Murphy—present  
North—present  
Peters—present

Rogers—present  
Schuette—excused  
Schwarz—present  
Shugars—present  
Sikkema—present  
A. Smith—present  
V. Smith—present  
Steil—present  
Stille—present  
Van Regenmorter—present  
Vaughn—present  
Young—present

Senator Bill Bullard, Jr., of the 15th District offered the following invocation:

Dear Lord, tomorrow we will listen to the goals and aspirations of Governor John Engler for this great state, delivered in his State of the State address. Please bless the members here today and help prepare us for the challenges and tasks that he will ask of us and that will face Michigan during the next four years. Join us, the members of the 90th Michigan State Legislature, together to do Your will.

On this day, we also ask that You are with those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. May they find comfort in their memories and solace in their friends. Amen.

### Motions and Communications

Senator Rogers moved that Senators Sikkema and Schwarz be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

The Secretary announced the printing and placement in the members' file on Tuesday, January 26 of:  
**Senate Bill No. 60**

Senator Rogers moved that Senator Schuette be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senators Sikkema and Emerson entered the Senate Chamber.

The Secretary announced that the Majority Leader has made the appointment of the following standing committees:  
**Financial Services** - Senator Emmons replacing Senator Bouchard as chairperson.  
**Gaming and Casino Oversight** - Senator McCotter replacing Senator Bouchard as chairperson.  
**Transportation and Tourism** - Senator Bennett replacing Senator Bouchard as a member.  
The standing committee appointments were approved, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senator V. Smith moved that Senator Murphy be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Gast's statement is as follows:

With mixed feeling I am privileged in a way and saddened in another way to present a tribute to Angie Payne, who is leaving my office for a position in the Department of Transportation. Angie has been a very valued employee of mine for eight and one-half years, and she has been my right arm as far as constituent relations are concerned. She is a highly motivated, organized, and a detailed-oriented individual, and she is certainly a professional. When given an assignment, why, you could feel confident that the assignment would get done, done right, and in a timely manner.

A little bit about her accomplishments, I think, and I won't read the whole thing, certainly. As I look over the past eight and one-half years Angie's been with me, I'm astounded at what she's accomplished. In addition to being a very able and competent employee, Angie completed both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree, married Brett Payne, and had two children, Tiffany and Alexis, and she's still a mighty young attractive gal.

She has taken a position with the Department of Transportation. She'll be greatly missed, and my loss is certainly the Department of Transportation's gain.

So, Angie, I wish you well, and hey, if you have to, you're always welcome to come back!

Pursuant to rule 3.203, the Majority Leader made the following committee reassignment:

**Senate Bill No. 47**

The bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Messages from the Governor

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

January 26, 1999

There are herewith presented for consideration and confirmation by the Senate, the following reappointments to office:

**Civil Rights Commission**

Ms. Evelyn L. Crane, Lafayette Towers West, 1321 Orleans Street, Apt. #801, Detroit, Michigan 48207, county of Wayne, as a member representing Republicans, succeeding herself, for a term expiring on December 31, 2002.

Mr. Francisco J. Villarruel, 34487 Navin, Livonia, Michigan 48152, county of Wayne, as a member representing Independents, succeeding himself, for a term expiring on December 31, 2002.

Sincerely,  
John Engler  
Governor

The appointments were referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Senators Schwarz and Murphy entered the Senate Chamber.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of  
**Statements**

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Shugars' statement is as follows:

I rise in announcement that one of my staff individuals, Mark Michaelsen, is leaving my staff and moving to Alabama. Many of you have known Mark for a number of years. He worked for the Senate but also worked for Governor Engler's office, and the last two years, he worked in our office. He was Legislative Aide for our staff, and he provided a number of items as leadership for my staff and my office from taxes and economic development. I truly appreciate his wisdom and his efforts in helping our office. We'll miss Mark.

The reason he's going to Alabama is he fell in love, and he's going to be getting married later this year. So we can all wish him the best.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of  
**Resolutions**

#### **Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.**

A concurrent resolution expressing the sentiment of the Michigan Legislature that Dr. Samuel A. Mudd was innocent of any complicity in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 2, p. 44.)

The House of Representatives has adopted the concurrent resolution and named Representatives Kelly, Van Woerkom, Howell, Richner, Gosselin and Voorhees as co-sponsors.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Secretary for record.

#### **Introduction and Referral of Bills**

Senators Bullard, Schwarz, Rogers, Steil and Shugars introduced

##### **Senate Bill No. 102, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 9f (MCL 211.9f), as added by 1998 PA 328.

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

Senators V. Smith, Vaughn, Young, Murphy, Cherry, Leland, Schuette, Emmons and McManus introduced

##### **Senate Bill No. 103, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 183 and 188 (MCL 750.183 and 750.188).

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

Senators V. Smith, Vaughn, Young, Murphy, Leland and Hart introduced

##### **Senate Bill No. 104, entitled**

A bill to amend 1953 PA 232, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to probationers and probation officers, to pardons, reprieves, commutations, and paroles, to the administration of correctional

institutions, correctional farms, and probation recovery camps, to prisoner labor and correctional industries, and to the supervision and inspection of local jails and houses of correction; to provide for the siting of correctional facilities; to create a state department of corrections, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the transfer to and vesting in said department of powers and duties vested by law in certain other state boards, commissions, and officers, and to abolish certain boards, commissions, and offices the powers and duties of which are transferred by this act; to allow for the operation of certain facilities by private entities; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain other state departments and agencies; to provide for the creation of a local lockup advisory board; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; to make certain appropriations; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," (MCL 791.201 to 791.283) by adding section 63b.

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

Senators V. Smith, Young and Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 105, entitled**

A bill to amend 1974 PA 150, entitled "Youth rehabilitation services act," by amending section 4 (MCL 803.304), as amended by 1988 PA 76.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senators V. Smith, Cherry, Young, Schuette, Hart and McManus introduced

**Senate Bill No. 106, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 535a (MCL 750.535a), as amended by 1988 PA 140.

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

Senators V. Smith, Young, Hart and McManus introduced

**Senate Bill No. 107, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 237b.

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

Senators V. Smith, Young, Schuette, Hart and McManus introduced

**Senate Bill No. 108, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 33, entitled "An act to prohibit the dissemination, exhibiting, or displaying of certain sexually explicit matter to minors; to prohibit certain misrepresentations facilitating the dissemination of sexually explicit matter to minors; to provide penalties; to provide for declaratory judgments and injunctive relief in certain instances; to impose certain duties upon prosecuting attorneys and the circuit court; to preempt local units of government from proscribing certain conduct; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 5 (MCL 722.675).

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

Senators V. Smith and Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 109, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled "An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms and gas ejecting devices without a license; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms possessed in violation of this act; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," by amending section 6 (MCL 28.426), as amended by 1994 PA 338.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Hunting, Fishing and Forestry.

Senator Dingell introduced

**Senate Bill No. 110, 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 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, critical 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 13 (MCL 247.663), as amended by 1997 PA 79.

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

Senators Bennett, Gast, Sikkema, Dunaskiss, Schuette, Bullard, McCotter, Shugars, Jaye, McManus, Cherry, Stille, Emmons, Hammerstrom and North introduced

**Senate Bill No. 111, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 11514a.

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

Senators Bennett, McCotter, Hoffman, Shugars, Jaye and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 112, 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 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, critical 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 12 (MCL 247.662), as amended by 1997 PA 79, and by adding section 20b.

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

Senators Bennett, McCotter, Shugars, McManus, Jaye, Cherry, Schuette, Dunaskiss, Hammerstrom, Sikkema and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 113, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 30 (MCL 206.30), as amended by 1997 PA 86; 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 Finance.

Senators Young, Emerson, Cherry, Peters, V. Smith, Steil, Byrum and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 114, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 31c (MCL 388.1631c), as amended by 1998 PA 339.

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

Senators Young, Emerson, Cherry, Peters, V. Smith, Steil, Byrum and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 115, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1290. The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senator Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 116, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 2567 (MCL 600.2567), as amended by 1990 PA 346, and by adding section 2567b.

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

Senator Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 117, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 33, entitled "An act to prohibit the dissemination, exhibiting, or displaying of certain sexually explicit matter to minors; to prohibit certain misrepresentations facilitating the dissemination of sexually explicit matter to minors; to provide penalties; to provide for declaratory judgments and injunctive relief in certain instances; to impose certain duties upon prosecuting attorneys and the circuit court; to preempt local units of government from proscribing certain conduct; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 3 and 5 (MCL 722.673 and 722.675).

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

Senators Steil, Rogers, McCotter, Bullard, Goschka, Sikkema, Shugars, Gougeon, McManus, Schuette, Bennett and Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 118, entitled**

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending sections 4 and 49 (MCL 208.4 and 208.49), section 4 as amended by 1995 PA 285.

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

Senators Steil, Gougeon, Jaye, Schwarz, Goschka, Sikkema, Bennett and McManus introduced

**Senate Bill No. 119, entitled**

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9948) by adding section 2402.

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

Senators Steil, McCotter, Bullard, Goschka, Sikkema, Shugars, Gougeon, McManus and Hammerstrom introduced  
**Senate Bill No. 120, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 285. The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Steil, Bullard, Goschka, Sikkema, Shugars, Gougeon, McManus, Hammerstrom and Dingell introduced  
**Senate Bill No. 121, entitled**

A bill to regulate certain sales solicitations; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain governmental officials; and to prescribe remedies and penalties.

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

Senators Steil, McCotter, Gougeon, Jaye, Sikkema, Shugars, McManus, Stille, Schuette, Bennett and Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 122, entitled**

A bill to amend 1965 PA 166, entitled "An act to require prevailing wages and fringe benefits on state projects; to establish the requirements and responsibilities of contracting agents and bidders; and to prescribe penalties," by amending section 1 (MCL 408.551).

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senators Steil, Rogers, North, McCotter, Bullard, Shugars, Jaye, Sikkema, Gougeon, Goschka, McManus, Schuette, Bennett and Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 123, entitled**

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending section 4 (MCL 208.4), as amended by 1995 PA 285.

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

Senators McManus, Gougeon, Schuette, Sikkema, Goschka, Rogers, Gast, Schwarz, Bullard, Steil, North, Byrum, Shugars, Stille, Bennett, McCotter, A. Smith and DeBeaussaert introduced

**Senate Bill No. 124, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 27a (MCL 211.27a), as amended by 1996 PA 476.

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

Senator Gast introduced

**Senate Bill No. 125, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 320a and 732 (MCL 257.320a and 257.732), section 320a as amended by 1998 PA 350 and section 732 as amended by 1998 PA 348.

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

Senator Gast introduced

**Senate Bill No. 126, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 81134, 81135, and 82141 (MCL 324.81134, 324.81135, and 324.82141), section 81134 as amended by 1998 PA 355 and sections 81135 and 82141 as added by 1995 PA 58.

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

Senators Gast, McManus, Stille and Van Regenmorter introduced

**Senate Bill No. 127, entitled**

A bill to amend 1846 RS 12, entitled "Of certain state officers," by amending section 33 (MCL 14.33), as amended by 1996 PA 563.

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

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 128, entitled**

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 442 and 447 (MCL 750.442 and 750.447).

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

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 129, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 710d, 710e, and 907 (MCL 257.710d, 257.710e, and 257.907), section 710d as amended by 1990 PA 90, section 710e as amended by 1991 PA 25, and section 907 as amended by 1998 PA 103.

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

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 130, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1292. The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 131, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and control of public utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law therein on the public service commission; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to provide for a restructuring of rates for certain utilities; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect of this act; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal all acts contrary to this act," (MCL 460.1 to 460.8) by adding section 6q.

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

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 132, entitled**

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code, by amending section 803 (MCL 339.803), as amended by 1995 PA 217.

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

Senator Bennett introduced

**Senate Bill No. 133, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 20920 (MCL 333.20920), as amended by 1997 PA 78.

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

Senators North and Hoffman introduced

**Senate Bill No. 134, entitled**

A bill to designate a highway on Beaver island as a continuation of highway M-66; and to prescribe the duties of the state transportation department.

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

Senators North, Koivisto, McManus, Bennett and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 135, entitled**

A bill to amend 1929 PA 48, entitled "An act levying a specific tax to be known as the severance tax upon all producers engaged in the business of severing oil and gas from the soil; prescribing the method of collecting the tax; requiring all producers of such products or purchasers thereof to make reports; to provide penalties; to provide exemptions and refunds; to prescribe the disposition of the funds so collected; and to exempt those paying such specific tax from certain other taxes," by amending section 14 (MCL 205.314), as amended by 1994 PA 307.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs.



Senators North, Koivisto, McManus and Bennett introduced

**Senate Bill No. 136, entitled**

A bill to amend 1929 PA 48, entitled "An act levying a specific tax to be known as the severance tax upon all producers engaged in the business of severing oil and gas from the soil; prescribing the method of collecting the tax; requiring all producers of such products or purchasers thereof to make reports; to provide penalties; to provide exemptions and refunds; to prescribe the disposition of the funds so collected; and to exempt those paying such specific tax from certain other taxes;" (MCL 205.301 to 205.317) by adding section 14b.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs.

Senators North, Koivisto, McManus, Bennett and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 137, entitled**

A bill to amend 1929 PA 48, entitled "An act levying a specific tax to be known as the severance tax upon all producers engaged in the business of severing oil and gas from the soil; prescribing the method of collecting the tax; requiring all producers of such products or purchasers thereof to make reports; to provide penalties; to provide exemptions and refunds; to prescribe the disposition of the funds so collected; and to exempt those paying such specific tax from certain other taxes;" (MCL 205.301 to 205.317) by adding section 14a.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs.

Senators Gougeon, Jaye, Steil, Schuette, Sikkema, Bullard, Rogers, Gast, Schwarz, Emmons, Bennett, Stille, McCotter, Hammerstrom, Shugars and Goschka

**Senate Bill No. 138, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending section 57b (MCL 400.57b), as added by 1995 PA 223.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 139, entitled**

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled "Child protection law," by amending section 3 (MCL 722.623), as amended by 1994 PA 177.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senator Hart introduced

**Senate Bill No. 140, entitled**

A bill to establish a fund for job training and skill development grants to unemployed and underemployed individuals.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senators Stille, Gougeon, Goschka, Shugars, McCotter, Bennett, Bullard, Dunaskiss and Jaye introduced

**Senate Bill No. 141, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending section 57a (MCL 400.57a), as added by 1995 PA 223.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senators Stille, Rogers and DeBeaussaert introduced

**Senate Bill No. 142, entitled**

A bill to provide for a waiver of tuition at a college or university in this state for Michigan national guard members; to prescribe duties for certain state officials; and to provide for an appropriation.

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

Senators Stille and Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 143, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 506 (MCL 206.506), as amended by 1996 PA 484.

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

Senator Stille introduced

**Senate Bill No. 144, entitled**

A bill to provide for a waiver of tuition at state public institutions of higher education for children and spouses of Michigan veterans missing in action, totally disabled with a service related disability, or killed in the line of duty; to create the veterans' survivor tuition fund and to provide for the administration of that fund; to impose certain duties on certain departments; 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 Appropriations.

Senators Steil, Gougeon, Goschka, Sikkema, McManus, Jaye, Shugars and Hammerstrom introduced

**Senate Bill No. 145, entitled**

A bill to amend 1963 PA 213, entitled "An act to provide a procedure for bonding contractors for public buildings and public works of governmental units; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 1 (MCL 129.201), as amended by 1982 PA 11.

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

Senators Steil, Van Regenmorter, Bullard, Jaye, Sikkema, Shugars, Gougeon, Bennett, McManus, Hammerstrom and Goschka introduced

**Senate Bill No. 146, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 7cc (MCL 211.7cc), as amended by 1996 PA 476.

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

Senators Gast, McManus, Stille and Van Regenmorter introduced

**Senate Bill No. 147, entitled**

A bill to denominate, and prescribe certain aspects of, public interest trusts; to prescribe the manner of appropriating public interest trust money; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain state officers and employees.

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

Senators Gast, McManus, Stille and Van Regenmorter introduced

**Senate Bill No. 148, entitled**

A bill to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled "The management and budget act," (MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594) by adding section 443a.

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

Senators Sikkema, McManus, Gougeon and Steil introduced

**Senate Bill No. 149, entitled**

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 2012 and 2014 (MCL 339.2012 and 339.2014), as amended by 1992 PA 103.

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

Senators Sikkema, Bullard, Goschka, Rogers, Bennett, Stille, McCotter, Hammerstrom, Steil, Shugars, McManus and DeBeaussaert introduced

**Senate Bill No. 150, entitled**

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 6 (MCL 388.1606), as amended by 1998 PA 339.

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

Senators Sikkema, Gougeon, Bullard, Goschka, Bennett, McCotter, Hammerstrom, McManus, Steil, North and Shugars introduced

**Senate Bill No. 151, entitled**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 35, entitled "An act to authorize intergovernmental contracts between municipal corporations; to authorize any municipal corporation to contract with any person or any municipal corporation to furnish any lawful municipal service to property outside the corporate limits of the first municipal corporation for a consideration; to prescribe certain penalties; to authorize contracts between municipal corporations and with certain nonprofit public transportation corporations to form group self-insurance pools; and to prescribe conditions for the performance of those contracts," by amending sections 5, 7, and 7a (MCL 124.5, 124.7, and 124.7a), sections 5 and 7 as amended and section 7a as added by 1988 PA 36.

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

Senators Sikkema, Gougeon, Goschka, Bullard, Rogers, Bennett, Stille, McCotter, Hammerstrom, Dunaskiss, McManus, Steil, North, Schuette and Shugars introduced

**Senate Bill No. 152, entitled**

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 27 (MCL 211.27), as amended by 1994 PA 415.

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

Senators Sikkema, Goschka, Rogers, Bullard, Bennett, McCotter, Hammerstrom, Gougeon, Jaye, Steil, North, Shugars and McManus introduced

**Senate Bill No. 153, entitled**

A bill to amend 1964 PA 154, entitled "Minimum wage law of 1964," by amending section 4a (MCL 408.384a).

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 154, entitled**

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving, or furnishing of laser pointers or laser pen lights to minors; to prohibit the purchase or use of laser pointers or laser pen lights by minors; to regulate the retail sale of laser pointers or laser pen lights; to prescribe penalties; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 155, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 15d of chapter IV (MCL 764.15d), as added by 1987 PA 256.

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

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 156, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 150, entitled "Michigan military act," by amending section 411 (MCL 32.811), as amended by 1996 PA 497.

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

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 157, entitled**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 803j, 803k, 803l, 803n, and 803o (MCL 257.803j, 257.803k, 257.803l, 257.803n, and 257.803o), as amended by 1998 PA 68.

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

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 158, entitled**

A bill to amend 1969 PA 317, entitled "Worker's disability compensation act of 1969," (MCL 418.101 to 418.941) by adding section 306.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Human Resources, Labor, Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

Senator Rogers introduced

**Senate Bill No. 159, entitled**

A bill to establish a vocational education enrollment options program for certain students enrolled in Michigan schools; to prescribe certain duties of public schools; to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials, and agencies; 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 Appropriations.

### **Scheduled Meetings**

Judiciary Committee - Wednesday, February 3, at 1:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (3-6920).

Technology and Energy Committee - Tuesday, February 2, at 1:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (3-2417).

Senator Rogers moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:36 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Posthumus, declared the Senate adjourned until Thursday, January 28, at 10:00 a.m.

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Secretary of the Senate.