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6:00 p.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll was called by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, who announced that a quorum was present.

Allen—present	Frank—present
Baird—present	Garcia—present
Basham—present	Garza—present
Birkholz—present	Geiger—present
Bisbee—present	Gieleghem—present
Bishop—present	Gilbert—present
Bogardus—present	Godchaux—present
Bovin—present	Gosselin—present
Bradstreet—present	Green—present
Brater—present	Hager—present
Brewer—present	Hale—present
Brown, Bob—present	Hanley—present
Brown, Cameron—present	Hansen—present
Byl—present	Hardman—present
Callahan—present	Hart—present
Cassis—present	Howell—present
Caul—present	Jacobs—present
Cherry—present	Jamnick—present
Clark—present	Jansen—present
Clarke—present	Jelinek—present
Daniels—present	Jellema—present
DeHart—present	Johnson, Rick—present
Dennis—present	Johnson, Ruth—present
DeRossett—absent	Julian—present
DeVuyst—present	Kelly—present
DeWeese—present	Kilpatrick—present
Ehardt—present	Koetje—present
Faunce—present	Kowall—present
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Kukuk—present	
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LaSata—present	
Law—present	
Lemmons—present	
Lockwood—present	
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Shulman—present
Spade—present
Stallworth—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Tabor—absent
Tesanovich—present
Thomas—present
Toy—present
Vander Roest—present
Van Woerkom—present
Vaughn—present
Vear—present
Voorhees—present
Wojno—present
Woodward—present
Woronchak—present
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His Excellency, James A. Murray, Bishop of the Diocese of Kalamazoo, offered the following invocation:

"Lord, our God, as citizens of this Great Lake State, we are constantly reminded of Your goodness and greatness. We have only to look around us to behold the beauty and the bounty of these peninsulas. As we cross over to a new millennium we pause to give You thanks for these blessings and to ask Your continuing protection. As we advance in technology and prosperity, may we never forget that You alone are the source of true blessings and may we never keep You at a distance. This evening we pray in the words of the Psalms: 'May God always rule over us from sea to sea, and from the rivers to the ends of the earth. May His name be blessed forever—for as long as the sun, His name shall remain. In Him shall all the people be blessed. May the whole earth be filled with His glory.' We ask You to endow with Your spirit, John Engler, our Governor, together with his administration, so that he will put forth wise proposals for the good of all of Michigan citizens. Bless our justices and judges, those who enact and enforce the law, to uphold and protect the universal values of peace, solidarity, justice and freedom. Bless the 110 members of this House and lead them to enact laws that respect the dignity of every human person and strengthen all our families. Amen."

Motions and Resolutions

Representative Raczkowski moved that a special committee of four members be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to meet the Senate in Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Representatives Kukuk, Ehardt, Brater and Kelly.

The special committee to notify the Senate that the House was ready to meet in Joint Convention returned to the House along with the members of the Senate.

The committee, through its Chairperson, reported that it had performed the duty assigned it. The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The Sergeant at Arms announced the members of the Senate, who were admitted and conducted to seats.

Joint Convention

6:30 o'clock p.m.

The Joint convention was called to order by the President of the Joint Convention, Lieutenant Governor Posthumus. Rev. Marvin Winans, Pastor of Perfecting Church in Detroit, offered the following invocation:

"Father, we do honor You and we thank You for this auspicious occasion. We thank You now and we pray that You would lead and guide, not only this night, but throughout the ensuing years. Your word declared that he that ruleth over man must be just, ruling in the fear of God. Let that be the yardstick by which we are measured. I pray that You would give wisdom and understanding to the Governor, to all those that aide, to all those that make and pass the laws of this land, that this State might be a model state. We pray for peace and prosperity and that we would govern from a higher platform that is different from our political parties, but a platform of righteousness. For Your word declared that righteousness exalts a nation and sin is a reproach to any people. Let us live the life that You have called us to live and that Your grace be upon all. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen."

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

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, who announced that a quorum of the House was present.

The President of the Joint Convention announced that the two Houses had met in Joint Convention to receive the message of the Governor.

Representative Raczkowski moved that a special committee, consisting of two Representatives and two Senators, be appointed to invite and escort the State Officers to the Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Joint Convention named as such committee Representatives Cameron Brown and Price, and Senators Goschka and Murphy.

The Sergeant at Arms announced the special committee appointed to invite the State Officers to be present at the Joint Convention.

The State Officers, escorted by the committee, were conducted to seats.

Senator Rogers moved that a special committee, consisting of two Representatives and two Senators, be appointed to invite and escort the Judges of the Court of Appeals to the Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Joint Convention named as such committee Representatives Mortimer and Cherry, and Senators Hoffman and Leland.

The Sergeant at Arms announced the special committee appointed to invite the Judges of the Appeals Court to be present at the Joint Convention.

The Judges of the Appeals Court, escorted by the committee, were conducted to seats.

Representative Raczkowski moved that a special committee, consisting of two Representatives and two Senators, be appointed to invite and escort the Justices of the Supreme Court to the Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Joint Convention named as such committee Representatives Faunce and Frank, and Senators Johnson and Virgil Smith.

The Sergeant at Arms announced the special committee appointed to invite the Justices of the Supreme Court to be present at the Joint Convention.

The Justices of the Supreme Court, escorted by the committee, were conducted to seats.

Senator Rogers moved that a special committee, consisting of three Representatives and three Senators, be appointed to invite and escort the Governor to the Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Joint Convention named as such committee Representatives Caul, Gilbert and Hardman, and Senators Hammerstrom, Steil and Hart.

The Sergeant at Arms announced the special committee to wait on the Governor.

The Governor, escorted by the committee, was conducted to the rostrum.

The President of the Joint Convention then introduced Governor Engler who gave his message to the Joint Convention as follows:

"Good evening. Lieutenant Governor Posthumus, Speaker Perricone, Majority Leader DeGrow, members of the House and Senate, Chief Justice Weaver, justices and judges, Secretary Miller, General Granholm, colleagues in government, fellow citizens:

Tonight, I will talk about the lessons we learned in the 20th century and the leadership we need in the 21st.

In many ways these are the best of times for the 50 states. It's no accident. In the 1990s, a new generation of governors took office, and a new majority in Congress began devolving power and authority to the states. We seized the opportunity to reform welfare, reinvigorate job creation, rebuild roads, and refocus schools. Now you can read about:

- * a state that cut taxes so many times, its people will be keeping \$15 billion more of their hard-earned money;
- * a state that has helped so many families go to work that dependency declined nearly 70 percent in the '90s;
- * a state whose job providers in the last decade have created more than three quarters of a million new jobs;
- * a state that recently experienced the lowest unemployment rate in its history;
- * a state that won the prestigious Governor's Cup for new plants and job creation two years in a row, and now is going for a 'three-peat';
- * a state whose environment is the cleanest in a generation; and
- * a state that has reduced crime rates to levels that haven't been seen in decades.

Remarkable achievements, all. Ladies and gentlemen, the name of each of these states ...

is Michigan. In area after area after area, Michigan is number one!

I think we'd agree: the state of our state is not just okay; not just good.

In historic perspective, the state of our state is better than ever. It is simply outstanding!

On a personal note, let me recognize someone else who is outstanding for all the work that she does so freely on behalf of Michigan and its families - and of course I speak of none other than Michigan's First Lady. Michelle, thank you very much! And Michelle, that has been made unanimous tonight, congratulations.

The new century promises to be a time of extraordinary possibilities.

It has been said, 'We now live in a new economy created by shrinking computers and expanding communications.'

We feel a heightened sense of opportunity - an opportunity to shape our destiny as few generations have ever had. Yet, despite the anticipation, there are those who feel a sense of uneasiness because of the pace and complexity of change.

To them, I would recall the words of Winston Churchill:

"...have no fear of the future. Let us go forward into its mysteries, let us tear aside the veils which hide it from our eyes, and let us move onward with confidence and courage."

In an era of continuous change, we can only 'move onward with confidence and courage' if we have learned from our past, and know how to apply what we've learned to our future. In short, we must all be better learners. Let me begin with this theme of learning.

Whether it's children learning in better schools; or workers learning to improve their skills; or job providers learning how to become more competitive; or dependent families learning to become independent; or government learning to serve you better - whatever we do, we must learn to do it better.

In the 1990s, one important lesson we learned was that the state with the best schools wins.

Ladies and gentlemen, I want Michigan schools to be the best, and I want Michigan students to be the best - in the world!

In our quest to be the best, we supported our public schools with unprecedented levels of funding throughout the '90s. Thanks to Proposal A, we have achieved unprecedented equity, and we have been heartened by steady progress in our children's academic achievement. What we've done is right. It has worked. We can all be proud - but it's only the prelude to doing even better!

To get better - to be the best - we need full freedom, full choice, and full funding in Michigan public schools. Now, these three goals are interdependent.

First, the basics. There are 555 school districts in Michigan. In 1994, when we passed Proposal A, local districts that spent \$6,500 per pupil were considered rich. Back then, only 52 districts met that high threshold. More than 500 did not. Tonight I am proud to announce that the promise of Proposal A is not only being realized; it is being exceeded.

Because of our tax cuts, because of our job growth, because of our commitment to education, I will send you a multiyear budget that establishes a minimum foundation grant of \$6,500 for every child attending a Michigan public school. Think about what passing this budget means: a per-student funding level once considered exceptional will now be universal.

\$6,500 for every child. Full funding. Every child. Everywhere in Michigan! The impact of this commitment is staggering. A classroom of 25 students will soon be supported by no less than \$162,500. Now, as you know, I believe that most of that money should go directly to the classroom. It does not.

Regrettably, the current issue of *Education Week* reports that Michigan school districts, when compared to those in every other state, are top heavy. There's too much bureaucracy. So much so that our schools rank dead last in the number of teachers as a percent of total staff. I don't know about you, but I don't like to see Michigan last in anything, especially when it hurts our kids.

The people of Michigan have been generous - very generous - when it comes to funding. Under our system of local control, the state does not dictate local school spending priorities.

But when you take the time to look at local school budgets, one conclusion is inescapable: the key to investing more in classrooms - the key to reducing class size - is reducing local bureaucracy. Tonight, I urge parents, classroom teachers and school board members to join with me, and make sure more of the money gets to our classrooms. Because that's where our children are!

This evening, I hope to send a message to everyone concerned about our public schools - advocates, board members, the community at large: with this budget, the debate about school funding is over. Michigan's public school children are fully funded. But make no mistake: full funding without full freedom is unacceptable. I've often said that money alone is not the answer. The answer is funding and reform. We will not have one without the other! So what does reform require? Three things: rigorous accountability from elected school boards and superintendents, outstanding performance from principals and educators, and full freedom for children and their families.

Regarding freedom, let me remind you that our Constitution established a system of free public education. It did not give districts the right to hold families captive behind a wall of separation called a district line. All families should be

free to choose their public school. Those who are fearful build walls. Those who are confident, they tear them down. Senators and Representatives, for the sake of our children—Michigan's children—tear down those walls! Tearing down walls also means teachers, parents, former legislators and interested citizens should be free to form nontraditional public schools.

Charter public schools are one of the most exciting reforms to come out of the '90s - supported by parents and teachers, Democrats and Republicans, and of course, the President. Who can forget? In fact, President Clinton stood at this very podium and championed charter schools in March of 1997.

Tonight, in this building are pioneering children and families. They have exercised their freedom and are attending one of Michigan's 170 public charter schools. These pioneers are accompanied by others who are also seeking freedom. They came to implore: Why freedom for some, but not for all? Who are these children? And why are they looking to you? While they come from across Michigan, many hail from communities that have seen better times. Many live in areas where the traditional public schools have failed them. Many come from our poorer families. But, ladies and gentlemen, these children are not poor in dignity. They are rich in desire to improve their lives. They carry within them the abundance of the American dream. And, they know, and their families know so well, that a good education is the fastest ticket out of poverty. These children are your constituents, and they are my constituents, too! I will not turn my back on them. I urge you - I urge you with every argument that I can muster - not to turn your back on these children in their time of need! (And Senator DeGrow, let me say thank you for your leadership in education and for never turning your back on these children.)

It is my job and your job to ensure that every child has the opportunity to attain a quality education. The waiting lists at existing charter schools and the more than 100 applications for new charters tell us that many Michigan parents believe that a quality education will be available and affordable for their family only when you act. That's why they came here tonight. In the days ahead, they will be watching you and they will be counting on you. My friends - for Michigan's children, for Michigan's families, for Michigan's future - I call for abolishing the cap on charter schools. The cap must go! Indeed it must. Indeed it must.

Nowhere is a child's performance more important than in the early grades. We know that a young child's success in mastering reading and basic knowledge is vital to future achievement. We also know that annual assessment is the single most powerful tool to drive and improve our children's performance. It is precisely this approach that has worked so well in Texas and North Carolina, whose gains have led the nation. To ensure that every local school is helping every child, tonight I call for annual assessments at every elementary grade level. Let's help every Michigan child read and succeed! Now, when children cannot read, we cannot look the other way.

I propose that 2nd and 3rd graders with reading difficulties be given the opportunity to get additional help over the summer. However, if by 4th grade a child still has not mastered reading, then I propose that this Legislature require summer school in an effort to save the child. We will leave no child behind. Failure is unacceptable. Every child must read.

Just as we focus on problems to fix them, we should focus on successes and reward them. For, my friends, when you reward success, more success will follow. So tonight I propose we create the Golden Apple Awards. Now these awards are for local elementary schools. Local elementary schools will win these awards in one of two categories: those that are the most improved, and those that are the highest achieving. The apple is 'golden' because it will provide a cash award to every single full-time employee in the school—from the principal to the custodian—every employee in the school. It's time to celebrate and reward our hard-working teachers and principals who are making such a difference for our children!

We know successful schools require principals who are leaders. Tonight, I propose this Legislature enact a Principals' Bill of Rights. We need to restore principals in each school to their rightful place as education leaders. My goal is to have every Michigan public school led by an inspired principal. It's high time we empowered principals to take charge in school!

Just as I propose we support principals, I propose we continue to support teachers. We support them when we prepare them. As we know, technology is evolving at blinding speeds. The question is: are educators able to harness the information revolution for the benefit of our children?

The author of the book, New Rules for the New Economy, recently put it this way:

'Technology, which once progressed at the periphery of culture, now engulfs our minds as well as our lives. . . . human expression, thought, communication, and even human life have been infiltrated by high technology. As each realm is overtaken by complex techniques . . . the mighty tumble, the once confident are left desperate for guidance, and the nimble are given a chance to prevail.'

Tonight, to ensure all teachers are technologically 'confident' and 'nimble' - to ensure all teachers develop professionally - we need a special technology curriculum for all of those teachers. And here's how we do it. We will maximize the impressive intellectual capital that is represented in our Michigan teachers. They have the ideas and the information. Then, once they've mastered the technology, we'll make sure all of our teachers are interconnected by providing a computer for their use along with access to the Internet. By connecting our teachers to each other and to the world, we are saying to our competitors: We just upped the ante; try, try and catch us!

Michigan means to be at the center of the 21st century virtual learning community. In fact, our Michigan Virtual University, under the leadership—the able leadership—of Dr. David Spencer, is already attracting international attention. MVU will launch two critically important new initiatives in the coming year. First, the Michigan Virtual High School. And second, the Michigan Advanced Placement Academy. From how we learn . . . to how we earn . . . the value of the Internet and applications like those proposed by MVU are limited only by our imagination and determination. Our on-line learning initiatives will help keep Michigan in the lead - right where we belong!

Last year you showed great determination in establishing the Michigan Merit Award (sponsored by none other than our Speaker, Mr. Perricone, thank you, Chuck), which recognizes solid performance in middle and high school. This scholarship is inspiring thousands of Michigan students to work hard and pursue their dreams. While that's a great start, we can do more for our students who seek further training or a college education.

Last year, I asked Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus to find ways to make this training or education more affordable. Tonight, I am pleased to announce that his Commission's report will propose a number of excellent ideas to help students and their families. Recommendations range from savings incentives to increasing access to degree programs. His report deserves your prompt consideration.

Personally, I've got to say, Michelle and I have three good reasons to be especially enthusiastic about the education savings strategy first proposed by Senator Mike Rogers. So, thank you Senator. Now, let me say to the entire commission, especially its leader, Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus, thank you for a job well done.

Something else the Lieutenant Governor has been working on is career development. Our state has learned well the importance of preparing workers for our dynamic economy. Michigan has one of the hottest economies in the nation, and is certainly one of the 'coolest' places to be. Now, in the 'highly technical planetary economy' of the 21st century, our goal is for Michigan to be the destination of choice for advanced manufacturing, information technologies, and life sciences.

This lofty goal brings with it some very real challenges. Changes in the '90s mean that we no longer face the hardships of the '70s and '80s, when unemployment was consistently above the national average - often in double digits. Today's challenge is about the jobs of the future, and about attracting and retaining the people we need, so that the growth and economic progress of the '90s are just a prelude to what Michigan can enjoy in the 21st century. What I said about education - 'the state with the best schools wins' - applies here as well - 'the state with the best workforce wins.' And remember, the ultimate winners are our families.

When you look at Michigan families, it's not just high school age students who need our help. Many adults lack the basic skills needed to qualify for high-skill, higher paying jobs. So tonight, I propose a new strategy - the Partnership for Adult Learning. To help more adults take advantage of this new strategy, I recommend that we increase spending—increase spending, I'll say it again because I know you like that—on adult learning from \$80 million to \$100 million - a 25 percent increase!

I am so proud of our Michigan workers - they're the best. And, as we begin this new century, let's resolve to do all we can to make sure they remain at the top of their game.

This is a great month to talk about Michigan being at the top. On New Year's Day, Michigan came out on top of Alabama in the Orange Bowl. Michigan State came out on top of Florida in the Citrus Bowl. Charles Rogers said he is coming to Michigan State. With your help, the State of Michigan will come out on top in the Jobs Bowl, not just this year, but every year! More good news arrived this month when Michigan was recognized by the Council of State Governments as one of the best states at holding down government spending. We learned in the 1990s how to squeeze more value out of the taxpayer dollar. And that's important because the global marketplace is highly competitive.

Tonight, I propose several additional steps to build on our impressive record and enhance our competitiveness. I will issue an executive order creating the Office of Financial and Insurance Services. This new office will be headed by your former colleague, our outstanding Insurance Commissioner, Frank Fitzgerald.

Another executive order will launch E-Michigan, a government-wide electronic-commerce initiative. Earlier the Secchia Commission focused on ways to make government more customer driven. Now, I want to accelerate the pace and scope of reform using the highest technology. Last week at the Detroit auto show, Secretary of State Candice Miller unveiled just one of many current applications of new technology in state government that will make life easier for our citizens. Congratulations, Secretary Miller, on reducing the hassle-factor. Not only has she reduced the hassle-factor when it comes to renewing vehicle registrations and license plates, but I think that Michigan motorists have also seen a reduction of the hassle-factor as our highways are being fixed.

Tonight, I want to thank the drivers of our state for their patience as we make many improvements. Further, I ask for your support as we expand our work and increase our investment. Build Michigan I and II have allowed us to fix roads and bridges at a record pace. Next Tuesday, the Michigan Department of Transportation will release its updated five-year plan detailing \$6.4 billion worth of repairs on our state highways.

Even with this massive plan, many key strategic projects to relieve congestion, reduce delays, improve safety, and keep Michigan's economy booming would remain unfunded. Tonight, with our economy strong, it's time to put more projects into the plan and on the fast track. It's time for Build Michigan III.

In the next five years:

Let's go over and above the current plan.

Let's fix more Michigan roads.

Let's invest an additional \$1 billion.

With your help, and fast action, we can start these projects this summer! One of the lessons the American people had to re-learn in recent years is an age-old lesson: people are best helped when they learn to help themselves.

Michigan welfare policy in the '90s succeeded brilliantly. What we did was compassionate and right. We understood a simple truth: that the best welfare policy in the world is a job. Literally hundreds of thousands of people have been helped. Their lives have been changed for the better. A generation has had its hope restored. Contrast this with the '70s and '80s when welfare policy discouraged work. Back then, in good times or bad, Michigan averaged more than 600,000 individuals on welfare. Remarkably, today there are only 36,000 families that remain on welfare that have no income from a job.

Tonight, I propose that we do something, something dramatic to help these remaining families go to work. I propose a mandatory, intensive, one-time campaign, starting this summer, to reach these families. Having come so far, we recognize that those still out of the workforce present some of the most daunting challenges yet. To assist us, and to help these families help themselves, we will draw upon the experience of some very capable partners - educators, faith-based groups—earlier we had a beautiful prayer from Pastor Winans, Michigan Works! agencies, and a myriad of other public and private groups. Our unprecedented effort will involve the entire family. We will go the extra mile, including child-care and summer school for children in these families. Our objective is to remove all barriers to work. It's time these families go to work!

My friends, we have built a Michigan that rewards work. A Michigan that focuses not on minimum wages, but on maximum paychecks. We've learned a sure way to hike wages is to cut taxes. In the 1990s, Michigan changed dramatically - from a state that hiked taxes, to a state that cut taxes. The really good news about tax cuts is, once implemented, they just keep growing. Last year alone, as a result of our 26 tax cuts, Michigan citizens saved \$3 billion. \$3 billion. Think about this: if taxes had not been cut so many times, government would have taken a lot more of your money. Plus, Michigan families would not have enjoyed record-low unemployment rates and record-high job creation.

Tonight, I bring good news. Tax cuts you have already passed mean our taxpayers will be saving an additional \$1 billion. Our 26 tax cuts have established Michigan, without question, as the undisputed leader in cutting taxes - number one . . . in the '90s . . . in the nation. Number one.

Listen, there's even more good news - we are not done yet! With our economy strong and with revenues up, we can afford to accelerate the income tax rate cut. Since we can afford it, we should do it. Tonight, I call on the Legislature to cut the income tax rate to 4.2 percent. Do it right away - one full year ahead of schedule!

I will also recommend several changes to benefit senior citizens and persons with disabilities. Current exemptions are often bewildering. I propose we simplify the exemptions and provide these folks with greater income tax relief and homestead property tax relief. I also call on you to expand income tax exemptions for children. Currently, we give families an additional \$600 exemption for every child up to age six. I propose that this additional \$600 exemption simply be made uniform for all children through age 18. That will help the Jansen family, I'm sure.

Any parent can tell you: raising children is expensive, but the experience is priceless. Let's give Michigan parents another boost by increasing their family budget with the first tax cuts of the 21st century!

The annual savings of all our tax cuts? What was \$3 billion last year will grow to \$4 billion in tax relief this year, and - with your support - will climb to almost \$5 billion annual savings by the end of next year.

So, on behalf of Michigan's families, let me thank you, the Michigan Legislature, for your steadfast support. Michigan has taught the nation that the best economic policy is cutting taxes. Don't you think it's time Washington learned that lesson and cut our taxes? Congressman Smith votes, 'aye'.

Another lesson for Washington concerns health care, and it's pretty straightforward: Americans don't want socialized medicine. Americans do want consumer choice and the highest quality care at a price they can afford. Consumer choice, quality care, affordable care - these require a delicate balance.

Michigan has been a national leader in striking this balance and protecting patients. Michigan was among the first states to adopt a Patient Bill of Rights that truly protects patients.

Many of you in the Senate and House have done impressive work grappling with health care issues. Tonight, I propose to build on your efforts. Let's strengthen and extend our Patient Bill of Rights. We will ensure the right to appeal care and coverage decisions made by all HMOs and health insurance companies!

In addition, I call on the Legislature to act promptly on recommendations from the Insurance Commissioner to strengthen and secure the solvency of Michigan's health plans far into the future. These reforms are necessary, they require your immediate attention.

Finally, to arm our consumers with the most up-to-date information, we will publish on-line Health Plan Report Cards. These consumer reports will help citizens choose the best insurance plan by giving them reliable and up-to-date performance information.

Yet another area where Michigan's performance has been superior is the environment. We've learned that the economy of the states and provinces in the Great Lakes Basin is interdependent with the ecology of the vast inland seas that we steward. We celebrate the fact that our water, and our air, are cleaner than they've been since monitoring started.

The cost of this achievement has not been cheap: billions of public and private dollars have been spent to prevent pollution and restore water quality. Today, as a result, the Great Lakes are becoming cleaner and cleaner. And as we proceed with our Clean Michigan Initiative, our waters will improve even more.

As you know, we are committed to repelling any threat to our Great Lakes. In the century ahead, Michigan will face many threats, especially from those who covet both our water and the power to control it.

It's hard to fathom why some of Michigan's own Congressional delegation actually sought to transfer authority from Great Lakes governors to Washington bureaucrats - no doubt, some of the same folks who thought Lake Champlain was a Great Lake.

Tonight, we salute Senators Abraham and Levin; and Congressmen Camp, Ehlers, Smith and Barcia; and other members of the Michigan delegation who are standing with the Great Lakes states and protecting our fresh water. We thank you!

To those who have been on the wrong side of this issue, let me remind you that the state seal behind me bears the Latin word 'Tuebor.' It means: I will defend. Michigan has a message for Washington: Lake Champlain will never be one of the Great Lakes, and our Great Lakes water will never be for sale.

Our strategies like the Clean Michigan Initiative are improving our environment. One successful strategy has been to reuse old industrial sites. Tonight, I propose we build on our past success and spur even more redevelopment in our core cities. Let's pass a new Brownfield Redevelopment Act as part of a broader core cities strategy. Recycling more abandoned urban sites will reduce pressure to develop in rural areas without services. We can further reduce pressure to develop those rural areas through a constitutional amendment.

Our goal is to keep land in agricultural production and to conserve green space. To accomplish that goal, I propose we follow a key recommendation of the Agriculture Preservation Task Force, which was so ably led by Senator George McManus. Michigan should tax agricultural land on use value, not on market value. George, thank you for your hard work! Remember, Michigan should tax agricultural land on use value, not on market value.

Tonight, I've talked about the lessons we have learned in the course of governing our great state. As we begin a new session, a new year, and a new century, it's appropriate to reflect on some old truths:

- * cutting taxes creates jobs and strengthens families;
- * government works best when families are working and communities are protected;
- * the best welfare policy helps families off welfare rolls and onto payrolls; and
- * education works best when we empower teachers and principals, and when children are the focus.

In the year ahead, let us build on those time-tested truths, and on our impressive record. Let us do everything in our power to ensure Michigan remains the leader in this new century. For as long as we keep families and children first, I know exactly where Michigan will be - leading the way - first in the 21st century. Thank you very much. God bless you. And God bless the great State of Michigan!"

The business of the Joint Convention having been completed, the Governor, the Justices of the Supreme Court, the Judges of the Appeals Court and the State Officers withdrew.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the Joint Convention adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 7:55 p.m.

The Lt. Governor and members of the Senate retired.

The Speaker announced that the House of Representatives and Senate had met in Joint Convention and had listened to the message of the Governor.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 25, at 2:00 p.m.

The motion prevailed.

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Scott, Dennis, Woodward, Raczkowski, DeHart, LaForge, Ehardt, Caul, DeVuyst, Koetje, Faunce, Howell, Schauer, Sheltrown, Jamnick, Spade, Baird, Birkholz, Pappageorge, Richner, Martinez, Bishop, Voorhees, Kowall, Lemmons and Kelly offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 250.

A resolution honoring Reverend Dee Dee M. Coleman, Pastor of the Russell Street Baptist Church.

Whereas, We join in with friends, family, and the Russell Street Baptist Church parishioners in the celebration and installation of their new Pastor, Reverend Dee Dee M. Coleman, Sunday January 30, 2000; and

Whereas, Rev. Coleman is a native of New Orleans and worshiped at Fairview Baptist Church of New Orleans, Louisiana for 35 years. As she became of age, she served at Fairview in the following capacities: Secretary of the Trustee Board, President of the Hospitality Committee, President of the Youth Choir, Matron of the Youth Choir, Chairperson for the Pastor's and Church Anniversary, and Church Spokesperson. She has always walked with the Lord; and

Whereas, Sister Coleman has been in the ministry since 1963 and was ordained as a Deacon in October 1988, granted her License to Preach in October 1990, and received Full Ordination in the Ministry in July 1993. All of this was accomplished under the leadership of the Reverend Doctor Charles G. Adams, Senior Pastor, Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan, where she served as Associate Minister and Diaconate's Trainer. Reverend Coleman preaches and reaches throughout the country and is unique in workshops on Women's Issues, Bereavement, Church Structure, and Deacon responsibilities; and

Whereas, Reverend Coleman has her B.A. in Business Administration from William Tyndale College, Farmington Hills, Michigan, a Master's of Arts Degree in Pastoral Ministry from Marygrove College, Detroit, Michigan, and is currently a doctoral candidate to Ashland Seminary to work on a dual degree of a Master of Divinity and a Doctor in Ministry with special studies in Liturgical Structure and Planning of the World Church. She also was blessed with the opportunity to travel to England where she studied on her Doctorate at Westminster Abbey under the tutelage of High Minister Canon Donald Gray, who serves as Minister to the Royal Family in London. Her studies included Liturgy of the World Church, where she preached, taught, and facilitated a Conference for the East London Black Women's Association. God blessed her to be the first North American Black Women to study church structure on a Cathedral Crawl from Ilona, Scotland, Paris, France, and throughout London, England; and

Whereas, Although Reverend Coleman is busy serving the Lord in many capacities, she is also the loving wife of James Coleman, Jr., and the proud mother of Tabatha, Samuel, Sr., and Pam, and the grandmother of Samuel, Jr., and Breanna Marie/Ruth Brown; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body hereby honor and congratulate Reverend Dee Dee M. Coleman upon the occasion of her installation as Pastor of Russell Street Baptist Church; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Reverend Coleman as a token of our appreciation for her years of faithful service to the Lord and the people of the State of Michigan.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Bradstreet, Mead, Raczkowski, Vear, DeHart, LaForge, Ehardt, Kukuk, Caul, DeVuyst, Julian, Koetje, Faunce, Van Woerkom, Vander Roest, Howell, Sheltrown, Jamnick, Birkholz, Middaugh, Pappageorge, Richner, Gosselin, Bishop, Voorhees, Kowall, Lemmons and Kelly offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 251.

A resolution honoring Jacquelyn S. Ness.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and professionalism that Jacquelyn S. Ness has put forth on behalf of the people of Michigan that we offer this expression of our thanks and best wishes in retirement. As the people of Michigan recognize the loyalty and devotion to public service of this conscientious individual, we add our sentiments of gratitude for a job well done; and

Whereas, In 20 years of service to the people of Michigan, Jacquelyn S. Ness has been working in the public arena during an era of great change. With the personal sense of duty that Jacquelyn S. Ness brings to work each day, however, she has been able to meet this challenge with enthusiasm and a genuine interest in efficiency in public service. This has been deeply appreciated, both by citizens and organizations in Michigan that have benefited directly from Jacquelyn S. Ness's work as well as other public servants who have witnessed this fine example; and

Whereas, As the Department of Transportation's Concrete Testing Laboratory Supervisor, Jackie was responsible for issuing all concrete mix designs used by construction contractors throughout the entire state. Key projects she worked on included, but was not limited to, the Lodge Freeway reconstruction, the construction of I-696 in the metro Detroit area, and the completion of Michigan's interstate system when I-69 was completed around the Lansing area. Other key projects included the Zilwaukee Bridge and concrete overlay projects on I-94 in the Kalamazoo area and I-96 between Grand Rapids and Lansing; and

Whereas, As the Concrete Testing Laboratory Supervisor, Jackie was responsible for developing new specifications involving freeze-thaw testing of aggregates used in concrete. Michigan was a leader in developing such specifications and testing methods, which are now accepted nationwide. Jackie also served on several committees, which developed specifications used by the concrete industry in Michigan; and

Whereas, She then took the position as the Supervisor of the Department's Aggregate and Metals Testing Laboratory. There, she broadened her horizons from bituminous and concrete to include such things as aggregates, structural steel, reinforcing steel, welded materials, and fastening systems (anchor bolts, nuts and bolts, etc.). Just as in the concrete laboratory, Jackie worked with construction contractors and other industry representatives on a daily basis. It was her testing that determined the safety of the materials used to build our bridges, streetlights and traffic signals, and overhead sign structures. The safety of the motoring public depended on Jackie saying that such materials were okay for use: and

Whereas, From the Aggregate and Metals Testing Laboratory, Jackie moved to the Materials and Technology statewide support group. In this position, Jackie was responsible for coordinating all testing statewide on materials used in Michigan's state highway projects. Jackie spent countless hours working with contractors, suppliers, and other industry representatives to improve the products used in construction of our roadway network. In this position, Jackie took the lead to develop Michigan's Materials Sampling Guide. This is now a part of every contract document used on Michigan's road and bridge projects. The manual Jackie took the lead to develop is now used statewide by the Department, contractors, and consultants. Other states have used Michigan's guide as a model for developing similar documents. Jackie also started the Materials Sampling Guide review team which continues to meet on a regular basis; and

Whereas, Jackie's final career move was down to Jackson, where she became the Region Materials Supervisor for the Michigan Department of Transportation's University Region. In this position, Jackie supervised the group, which was on the firing line to deliver Michigan's road construction program in the ten county area which included the metropolitan areas of Monroe, Jackson, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and Lansing. During the time that Jackie served in this capacity, Michigan was in the process of delivering its largest construction program ever. As the Materials Supervisor in the University Region, Jackie was responsible for approval of materials in over \$100 million of construction projects annually. The highlight included the completion of US-27 from Lansing to St. Johns, that opened one year ahead of schedule: and

Whereas, There can be little doubt that the record of Jacquelyn S. Ness in her responsibilities as Region Materials Supervisor over the past 20 years will continue to reap rewards for the people of Michigan. We offer our thanks on this personal milestone; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body join with the citizens of Michigan in saluting Jacquelyn S. Ness in acknowledgment of her 20 outstanding years in public service. May she enjoy the happiest of retirements; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Jacquelyn S. Ness as a token of our esteem.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. DeWeese, Baird, Mead, Raczkowski, Vear, DeHart, Ehardt, Kukuk, Caul, DeVuyst, Julian, Koetje, Faunce, Van Woerkom, Vander Roest, Kuipers, Howell, Schauer, Sheltrown, Jamnick, Spade, Bradstreet, Birkholz, Middaugh, Scott, Pappageorge, Richner, Martinez, Gosselin, Bishop, Voorhees, Kowall, Lemmons and Rocca offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 252.

A resolution in support of the Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Bleeding Hearts Blood Challenge 2000.

Whereas, It is a great pleasure to commend the American Red Cross for the vital services they provide the residents of this state. In fiscal year 1997-98, American Red Cross volunteers served nearly one million of Michigan's nine million residents. The American Red Cross is among the first to respond and the last to leave in disaster situations such

as fires, floods, tornadoes, and accidents. They are also here to assist Michigan's residents with training courses in first aid, CPR, and water safety. Red Cross volunteers also reach out to communities to provide information sessions giving unbiased and accurate information on HIV/AIDS; and

Whereas, The Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross provides services to the residents of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, and Shiawassee Counties. The Mid-Michigan Chapter has two programs targeted at helping the homeless in the greater Lansing area. The Emergency Food and Shelter program is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide emergency basic needs for homeless clients. The second program, called the Coordinated Extended Services program, is a long term management program serving homeless clients by creating with the client a comprehensive needs assessment and written plan of action that addresses identified underlying causes; and

Whereas, Every 12 seconds someone in Michigan needs blood. Four million people need blood every year. Currently, only five percent of eligible adults donate blood to serve our population which causes periodic blood shortages; and

Whereas, In an effort to encourage blood donations, State Representatives Laura Baird and Paul DeWeese, M.D., joined together in sponsoring the Bleeding Hearts Blood Challenge 2000. This blood drive is intended to initiate spirited competition among House of Representatives employees and prove that donating blood can be an enjoyable experience; and

Whereas, We wholeheartedly support this blood challenge and further encourage legislative staff, non-partisan staff, staff of the Michigan Senate, Executive, and Judicial branches as well as all state employees to participate in this blood drive which will be held on January 26 and 27, 2000; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we commend the Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross and offer our complete support of the Bleeding Hearts Blood Challenge 2000; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross as evidence of our support and partnership.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Raczkowski moved that Rule 77 be suspended and the resolution be considered at this time.

The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Van Woerkom, Cameron Brown, Garcia, Raczkowski, Hart, Middaugh, Stamas, Kuipers, Ehardt, Patterson, Kowall, Kukuk, Bishop, Rick Johnson, Bradstreet, Mead, Vander Roest, Faunce, Voorhees, Woronchak, Pumford, Hager, Gilbert, Rocca, DeVuyst and Mortimer offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 253.

A resolution memorializing the National Institutes of Health to withdraw proposed guidelines for federally funded research using stem cells destructively harvested from human embryos.

Whereas, The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has published, for public comment, guidelines for federally funded research projects using stem cells destructively harvested from human embryos; and

Whereas, Since 1996, Congress has prohibited federally funded research in which human embryos are harmed or destroyed; and

Whereas, The state of Michigan has a long legal and ethical tradition of respecting life at its earliest stages; and

Whereas, Michigan law prohibits any research that destroys human embryos, so the NIH guidelines, in effect, instruct researchers in how to harvest stem cells from embryos in ways that constitute criminal activity in this state; and

Whereas, Michigan has taken the unparalleled step in this country of respecting human life at its earliest stages by prohibiting the use of cloning to create human embryos for research; and

Whereas, Medical ethics historically have rejected justifying research in the name of medical progress when it requires harming or destroying innocent human lives; and

Whereas, Numerous avenues for developing new medical treatments from stem cells that do not require the destruction of human embryos have shown great clinical promise; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we strongly object to the National Institutes of Health proposed guidelines and policies regarding research on human embryos to ensure full accordance with federal laws that prohibit NIH involvement in destructive embryo research; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge the NIH to withdraw the proposed guidelines and to clarify NIH guidelines and policies regarding research on human embryos to ensure full accordance with federal laws that prohibit NIH involvement in destructive embryo research; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge the National Institutes of Health to direct all proposed funding for stem cell research to projects that do not use stem cells destructively harvested from human embryos; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the National Institutes of Health, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, and the President of the United States.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics, by Rep. Bishop, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5131, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," (MCL 339.101 to 339.2721) by adding article 17A. With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 5131 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Bishop, Patterson, Bradstreet, Green, Rocca, Garza,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics, by Rep. Bishop, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5134, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 3805 (MCL 600.3805). With the recommendation that the substitute (H-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 5134 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Bishop, Patterson, Bradstreet, Green, Rocca, Brater, Garza, Lemmons,

Navs: None.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Bishop, Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, January 12, 2000, at 1:30 p.m.,

Present: Reps. Bishop, Patterson, Bradstreet, Green, Rocca, Vaughn, Brater, Garza, Lemmons.

Messages from the Senate

Senate Bill No. 813, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 302 (MCL 600.302), as amended by 1993 PA 190.

The Senate has nonconcurred in the House substitute (H-3) and appointed Senators Schuette, Sikkema and V. Smith as conferees.

The message was referred to the Clerk for record.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 76.

A concurrent resolution providing for a joint convention of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

(For text of resolution, see House Journal No. 1, p. 4.)

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Clerk for record.

Notices

Public Hearing

Subcommittee on Logging Truck Safety Date: Monday, February 7, 2000

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Iron Mountain City Hall, 510 South Stephenson, Iron Mountain, Michigan

Rep. Shackleton, Chair

Agenda: Logging truck accidents in Michigan and potential solutions to avoid future problems

and any/or all business properly before this subcommittee.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Friday, January 14:

House Bill Nos. 5220 5221

Communications from State Officers

The following communication from the Secretary of State was received and read:

Notice of Filing Administrative Rules

January 4, 2000

In accordance with the provisions of Section 46(1) of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and Executive Order 1995-6 this is to advise you that the Office of Regulatory Reform, Legal Division filed at 10:45 A.M. this date, administrative rule (00-01-01) for the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, Director's Office, entitled "Inorganic Arsenic", effective 15 days hereafter.

Sincerely, Candice S. Miller Secretary of State Helen Kruger, Supervisor Office of the Great Seal

The communication was referred to the Clerk.

Introduction of Bills

Rep. Martinez introduced

House Bill No. 5222, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 363, entitled "An act to authorize the state administrative board to convey certain state owned property in Ingham county; to authorize the department of natural resources to convey certain parcels of state owned property in Roscommon county; to prescribe conditions for the conveyance; to provide for certain powers and duties of the department of management and budget and certain municipalities in regard to certain property; and to provide for disposition of the revenue derived from the conveyance," by amending sections 2 and 3.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

Reps. Scott, Price, DeHart, Schermesser, Kelly, LaForge, Vaughn, Hale, Thomas, Sheltrown, Hanley, Bob Brown, Callahan, Minore, Gieleghem, Jamnick, Spade, Bogardus, Neumann, Kilpatrick, Clark, Jansen, Hart, Jellema, Bishop, Bisbee, Cassis, Voorhees, Birkholz, Ruth Johnson, Julian, Shulman, Faunce, Hager, Switalski, Law, LaSata, Toy, Vear, Gosselin, Caul, Reeves, Godchaux, Scranton and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 5223, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 226 (MCL 257.226), as amended by 1992 PA 297.

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

Reps. Lockwood, Price, Jacobs, Spade, Stallworth, Callahan, Switalski, Hansen, Wojno, Gieleghem, Minore, Jamnick, Clark, Bovin, Garza, Schauer, Schermesser, DeHart, Kelly, Sheltrown, Brewer, Toy, Daniels, Neumann, Thomas, Pestka, Frank, Rison, Quarles, Basham, Bogardus, Dennis, Woodward, Mans, Prusi, Martinez, Cherry, Vaughn, Julian, Rocca, Hale, Allen, Van Woerkom and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 5224, entitled

A bill to supplement appropriations for the department of education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriation; and to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriation.

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

Reps. Schauer, Bogardus, Woodward, Scranton and Godchaux introduced

House Bill No. 5225, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 5204 and 5205 (MCL 333.5204 and 333.5205), section 5204 as added and section 5205 as amended by 1997 PA 57.

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

Rep. Stamas introduced

House Bill No. 5226, entitled

A bill to amend 1999 PA 124, entitled "An act to make appropriations for the departments of attorney general, civil rights, civil service, management and budget, state, and treasury, the executive office, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to provide for the expenditure of these appropriations; to provide for the funding of certain work projects; to provide for the imposition of certain fees; to establish or continue certain funds, programs, and categories; to transfer certain funds; to prescribe certain requirements for bidding on state contracts; to provide for disposition of year-end balances for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain principal executive departments and state agencies, officials, and employees; and to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by the various principal executive departments and state agencies," by repealing section 802.

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

Rep. Stamas introduced

House Bill No. 5227, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 232 (MCL 257.232), as amended by 1997 PA 101.

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

Rep. Richner introduced

House Bill No. 5228, entitled

A bill to amend 1962 PA 174, entitled "Uniform commercial code," by amending sections 1105, 1201, 2103, 2210, 2326, 2502, 2716, 2A103, 2A303, 2A307, 2A309, 4210, 7503, 8103, 8106, 8110, 8301, 8302, 8510, 9102, 9103, 9104, 9105, 9106, 9107, 9108, 9109, 9110, 9201, 9202, 9203, 9204, 9205, 9206, 9207, 9208, 9301, 9302, 9303, 9304, 9305, 9306, 9307, 9308, 9309, 9310, 9311, 9312, 9313, 9314, 9315, 9316, 9317, 9318, 9401, 9402, 9403, 9404, 9405, 9406, 9407, 9408, 9409, 9501, 9502, 9503, 9504, 9505, 9506, and 9507 (MCL 440.1105, 440.1201, 440.2103, 440.2210, 440.2326, 440.2502, 440.2716, 440.2803, 440.2903, 440.2907, 440.2909, 440.4210, 440.7503, 440.8103, 440.8106, 440.8110, 440.8301, 440.8302, 440.8510, 440.9102, 440.9103, 440.9104, 440.9105, 440.9106, 440.9107, 440.9108, 440.9109, 440.9110, 440.9201, 440.9202, 440.9203, 440.9204, 440.9205, 440.9206, 440.9207, 440.9208, 440.9301, 440.9302, 440.9303, 440.9304, 440.9305, 440.9306, 440.9307, 440.9308, 440.9309, 440.9310, 440.9311, 440.9312, 440.9313, 440.9314, 440.9315, 440.9316, 440.9317, 440.9318, 440.9401, 440.9402, 440.9403, 440.9404, 440.9405, 440.9406, 440.9407, 440.9408, 440.9409, 440.9501, 440.9502, 440.9503, 440.9504, 440.9505, 440.9506, and 440.9507), sections 1105, 9203, and 9402 as amended by 1998 PA 489, section 1201 as amended and sections 2A103, 2A303, 2A307, and 2A309 as added by 1992 PA 101, section 2326 as amended by 1982 PA 397, section 4210 as amended by 1993 PA 130, sections 8103, 8106, 8301, 8302, 9301, 9302, 9303, 9306, 9309, and 9312 as amended and sections 8110 and 8510 as added by 1998 PA 278, sections 9103, 9104, 9105, 9106, 9304, and 9305 as amended by 1998 PA 488, section 9307 as amended by 1985 PA 199, section 9313 as amended by 1980 PA 53, section 9401 as amended by 1990 PA 288, sections 9403 and 9404 as amended by 1992 PA 186, sections 9405 and 9407 as amended by 1988 PA 130, and section 9406 as amended by 1989 PA 216, and by adding sections 5118, 9103a, 9209, 9210, 9319, 9320, 9321, 9322, 9323, 9324, 9324a, 9325, 9326, 9327, 9328, 9329, 9330, 9331, 9332, 9333, 9334, 9335, 9336, 9337, $9338, \, 9339, \, 9340, \, 9341, \, 9342, \, 9508, \, 9509, \, 9510, \, 9511, \, 9512, \, 9513, \, 9514, \, 9515, \, 9516, \, 9517, \, 9518, \, 9519, \, 9520, \, 9521, \, 9519$ 9522, 9523, 9524, 9525, 9526, 9527, 9601, 9602, 9603, 9604, 9605, 9606, 9607, 9608, 9609, 9610, 9611, 9612, 9613, 9614, 9615, 9616, 9617, 9618, 9619, 9620, 9621, 9622, 9623, 9624, 9625, 9626, 9627, 9628, 9701, 9702, 9703, 9704, 9705, 9706, 9707, and 9708; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Family and Civil Law.

Rep. Garcia introduced

House Joint Resolution M, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 3 and 54 of article IV, to modify the terms of office and term limits for certain state offices.

The joint resolution was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics.

Rep. Baird moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 8:35 p.m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 25, at 2:00 p.m.

GARY L. RANDALL Clerk of the House of Representatives.