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2:00 p.m.

The House was called to order by Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Patterson.

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

Allen—present	Frank—present	Kuipers—present	Rison—present
Baird—present	Garcia—e/d/s	Kukuk—present	Rivet—present
Basham—present	Garza—present	LaForge—present	Rocca—present
Birkholz—present	Geiger—present	LaSata—present	Sanborn—present
Bisbee—present	Gielegthem—present	Law—present	Schauer—present
Bishop—present	Gilbert—present	Lemmons—present	Schermesser—present
Bogardus—present	Godchaux—present	Lockwood—present	Scott—present
Bovin—present	Gosselin—present	Mans—present	Scranton—present
Bradstreet—present	Green—present	Martinez—present	Shackleton—present
Brater—present	Hager—present	Mead—present	Sheltrown—present
Brewer—present	Hale—present	Middaugh—present	Shulman—present
Brown, Bob—present	Hanley—present	Minore—present	Spade—present
Brown, Cameron—present	Hansen—present	Mortimer—present	Stallworth—present
Byl—present	Hardman—present	Neumann—present	Stamas—present
Callahan—present	Hart—present	O’Neil—present	Switalski—present
Cassis—present	Howell—present	Pappageorge—present	Tabor—present
Caul—present	Jacobs—present	Patterson—present	Tesanovich—present
Cherry—present	Jamnack—present	Perricone—e/d/s	Thomas—present
Clark—present	Jansen—present	Pestka—present	Toy—present
Clarke—present	Jelinek—present	Price—present	Vander Roest—present
Daniels—present	Jellema—present	Prusi—present	Van Woerkom—present
DeHart—present	Johnson, Rick—present	Pumford—present	Vaughn—present
Dennis—present	Johnson, Ruth—present	Quarles—present	Vear—present
DeRossett—present	Julian—present	Raczkowski—present	Voorhees—present
DeVuyst—present	Kelly—present	Reeves—e/d/s	Wojno—present
DeWeese—present	Kilpatrick—present	Richardville—present	Woodward—present
Ehardt—present	Koetje—present	Richner—present	Woronchak—present
Faunce—present	Kowall—present		

e/d/s = entered during session

Pastor Dorie Meendering, Director of Women's Ministries at Resurrection Life Church in Wyoming, offered the following invocation:

"Father, we love You so much and I thank You so much for the avenue of prayer that You gave to us that we can talk to a living God. Lord, You told us in Your word to pray for all of those in authority so that we can live peaceable and quiet lives. You also told us to call on You, Lord, and You would show us things that we don't know anything about. So, we make specific requests to You today because we know that You said that, if we are confident that You hear our prayers, our request will be answered. So, Father, we ask that Your will would be done in this session today. We pray that You would give these ministers of Yours Your thoughts. We ask that You would expose hidden agendas that are not Yours. We ask that You would give them long-range visions as to how the bills that they work with today will affect the adults and the children in the state of Michigan. Lord, we ask You to help them think clearly and quickly and settle differences quickly in this session so that it can get out in proper timing. May their words be few, concise and meaningful and all idle chatter be gone so that the time would be wisely used. Lord, we honor these—Your representatives. I ask You to bless them today. I ask You to bless their families. I ask You to protect them by Your angel protection. Give them everything that they need and let each one know how much You love them. Bless them now as they do Your will and the will of the people whom they represent. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4690, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 16o of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16o), as added by 1998 PA 317.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Koetje moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

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Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 79

Yeas—103

Allen	Frank	Kowall	Rocca
Baird	Garza	Kuipers	Sanborn
Basham	Geiger	Kukuk	Schauer
Birkholz	Gielegghem	LaForge	Schermesser
Bisbee	Gilbert	LaSata	Scott
Bishop	Godchaux	Law	Scranton
Bogardus	Gosselin	Lemmons	Shackleton
Bovin	Green	Lockwood	Sheltrown
Bradstreet	Hager	Martinez	Shulman
Brewer	Hale	Mead	Spade
Brown, B.	Hanley	Middaugh	Stallworth
Brown, C.	Hansen	Minore	Stamas
Byl	Hardman	Mortimer	Switalski
Callahan	Hart	Neumann	Tabor
Cassis	Howell	Pappageorge	Tesanovich
Caul	Jacobs	Patterson	Thomas
Cherry	Jamnick	Pestka	Toy
Clark, I.	Jansen	Price	Van Woerkom

Clarke, H.	Jelinek	Prusi	Vander Roest
Daniels	Jellema	Pumford	Vaughn
DeHart	Johnson, Rick	Quarles	Vear
Dennis	Johnson, Ruth	Raczkowski	Voorhees
DeRossett	Julian	Richardville	Wojno
DeVuyst	Kelly	Richner	Woodward
Ehardt	Kilpatrick	Rison	Woronchak
Faunce	Koetje	Rivet	

Nays—1

Brater

In The Chair: Patterson

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Reps. Perricone and Garcia entered the House Chambers.

Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 857, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 33, 79, 216, 217b, 233a, 301, 657, 660, 705, and 801 (MCL 257.33, 257.79, 257.216, 257.217b, 257.233a, 257.301, 257.657, 257.660, 257.705, and 257.801), section 33 as amended by 1997 PA 56, section 79 as amended by 1992 PA 134, section 216 as amended by 1996 PA 141, section 233a as amended by 1988 PA 470, section 301 as amended by 1988 PA 346, section 660 as amended by 1994 PA 348, section 705 as amended by 1995 PA 91, and section 801 as amended by 1998 PA 384, and by adding sections 25b and 658b.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-2) previously recommended by the Committee on Transportation,

The substitute (H-2) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Gilbert moved to substitute (H-3) the bill.

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-3) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Tabor moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 19, line 17, after “organization” by striking out “until December 31, 2000”.

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

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A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending sections 33, 79, 216, 217b, 233a, 301, 657, 660, 705, and 801 (MCL 257.33, 257.79, 257.216, 257.217b, 257.233a, 257.301, 257.657, 257.660, 257.705, and 257.801), section 33 as amended by 1997 PA 56, section 79 as amended by 1992 PA 134, section 216 as amended by 1996 PA 141, section 233a as amended by 1988 PA 470, section 301 as amended by 1988 PA 346, section 660 as amended by 1994 PA 348, section 705 as amended by 1995 PA 91, and section 801 as amended by 1998 PA 384, and by adding sections 25b and 658b.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 80**Yeas—106**

Allen	Frank	Kowall	Rivet
Baird	Garcia	Kuipers	Rocca
Basham	Garza	Kukuk	Sanborn
Birkholz	Geiger	LaForge	Schauer
Bisbee	Gielegthem	LaSata	Schermesser
Bishop	Gilbert	Law	Scott
Bogardus	Godchaux	Lemmons	Scranton
Bovin	Gosselin	Lockwood	Shackleton
Bradstreet	Green	Mans	Sheltrown
Brater	Hager	Martinez	Shulman
Brown, B.	Hale	Mead	Spade
Brown, C.	Hanley	Middaugh	Stallworth
Byl	Hansen	Mortimer	Stamas
Callahan	Hardman	Neumann	Switalski
Cassis	Hart	O'Neil	Tabor
Caul	Howell	Pappageorge	Tesanovich
Cherry	Jacobs	Patterson	Thomas
Clark, I.	Jamnick	Perricone	Toy
Clarke, H.	Jansen	Pestka	Van Woerkom
Daniels	Jelinek	Price	Vander Roest
DeHart	Jellema	Prusi	Vaughn
Dennis	Johnson, Rick	Pumford	Vear
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Quarles	Voorhees
DeVuyst	Julian	Raczkowski	Wojno
DeWeese	Kelly	Richardville	Woodward
Ehardt	Kilpatrick	Richner	Woronchak
Faunce	Koetje		

Nays—0

In The Chair: Patterson

The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Rep. Raczkowski moved to amend the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date," by amending sections 217b, 233a, 657, 660, 705, and 801 (MCL 257.217b, 257.233a, 257.657, 257.660, 257.705, and 257.801), section 233a as amended by 1988 PA 470, section 660 as amended by 1994 PA 348, section 705 as amended by 1995 PA 91, and section 801 as amended by 1998 PA 384, and by adding sections 25b, 606a, and 658b.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Reeves entered the House Chambers.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5291, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” by amending section 167 (MCL 388.1767), as amended by 1997 PA 93.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Health Policy,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Reps. Law and Schauer moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, line 8, after “OF” by striking out the balance of the line through “PUPILS” on line 9 and inserting “PUPILS WHO ENROLLED IN GRADE 6 FOR THE FIRST TIME”.

2. Amend page 2, line 19, after “its” by striking out “ENTERING”.

3. Amend page 2, line 19, after “pupils” by inserting “WHO ENROLLED IN THE DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE DISTRICT FOR THE FIRST TIME”.

4. Amend page 3, line 5, after “OF” by striking out the balance of the line through “PUPILS” on line 6 and inserting “PUPILS WHO ENROLLED IN GRADE 6 FOR THE FIRST TIME”.

5. Amend page 3, line 16, after “its” by striking out “ENTERING”.

6. Amend page 3, line 16, after “pupils” by inserting “WHO ENROLLED IN THE DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE DISTRICT FOR THE FIRST TIME”.

The motion prevailed and the amendments were adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. DeWeese moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5291, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” by amending section 167 (MCL 388.1767), as amended by 1997 PA 93.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 81

Yeas—109

Allen	Frank	Kowall	Rison
Baird	Garcia	Kuipers	Rivet
Basham	Garza	Kukuk	Rocca
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Sanborn
Bisbee	Gielegghem	Law	Schauer
Bishop	Gilbert	Lemmons	Schermesser
Bogardus	Godchaux	Lockwood	Scott
Bovin	Gosselin	Mans	Scranton
Bradstreet	Green	Martinez	Shackleton
Brater	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown
Brewer	Hale	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, B.	Hanley	Minore	Spade
Brown, C.	Hansen	Mortimer	Stallworth
Byl	Hardman	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Hart	O’Neil	Switalski
Cassis	Howell	Pappageorge	Tabor
Caul	Jacobs	Patterson	Tesanovich
Cherry	Jamnick	Perricone	Thomas
Clark, I.	Jansen	Pestka	Toy

Clarke, H.	Jelinek	Price	Van Woerkom
Daniels	Jellema	Prusi	Vander Roest
DeHart	Johnson, Rick	Pumford	Vaughn
Dennis	Johnson, Ruth	Quarles	Vear
DeRossett	Julian	Raczkowski	Voorhees
DeVuyst	Kelly	Reeves	Wojno
DeWeese	Kilpatrick	Richardville	Woodward
Ehardt	Koetje	Richner	Woronchak
Faunce			

Nays—0

In The Chair: Patterson

The House agreed to the title of the bill.
Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5292, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 9209 and 9227 (MCL 333.9209 and 333.9227), section 9227 as amended by 1996 PA 540, and by adding section 9208a.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Health Policy,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Law moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5292, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 9209 and 9227 (MCL 333.9209 and 333.9227), section 9227 as amended by 1996 PA 540, and by adding section 9208a.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 82

Yeas—110

Allen	Frank	Kuipers	Rison
Baird	Garcia	Kukuk	Rivet
Basham	Garza	LaForge	Rocca
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Sanborn
Bisbee	Gielegghem	Law	Schauer
Bishop	Gilbert	Lemmons	Schermesser
Bogardus	Godchaux	Lockwood	Scott
Bovin	Gosselin	Mans	Scranton
Bradstreet	Green	Martinez	Shackleton
Brater	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown

Brewer	Hale	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, B.	Hanley	Minore	Spade
Brown, C.	Hansen	Mortimer	Stallworth
Byl	Hardman	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Hart	O'Neil	Switalski
Cassis	Howell	Pappageorge	Tabor
Caul	Jacobs	Patterson	Tesanovich
Cherry	Jamnick	Perricone	Thomas
Clark, I.	Jansen	Pestka	Toy
Clarke, H.	Jelinek	Price	Van Woerkom
Daniels	Jellema	Prusi	Vander Roest
DeHart	Johnson, Rick	Pumford	Vaughn
Dennis	Johnson, Ruth	Quarles	Vear
DeRossett	Julian	Raczkowski	Voorhees
DeVuyst	Kelly	Reeves	Wojno
DeWeese	Kilpatrick	Richardville	Woodward
Ehardt	Koetje	Richner	Woronchak
Faunce	Kowall		

Nays—0

In The Chair: Patterson

The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,

Rep. Raczkowski moved to amend the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 9208 (MCL 333.9208).

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5293, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1177 (MCL 380.1177), as amended by 1996 PA 399.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Health Policy,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Allen moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be placed on its immediate passage.

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5293, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1177 (MCL 380.1177), as amended by 1996 PA 399.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 83**Yeas—110**

Allen	Frank	Kuipers	Rison
Baird	Garcia	Kukuk	Rivet
Basham	Garza	LaForge	Rocca
Birkholz	Geiger	LaSata	Sanborn
Bisbee	Gielegthem	Law	Schauer
Bishop	Gilbert	Lemmons	Schermesser
Bogardus	Godchaux	Lockwood	Scott
Bovin	Gosselin	Mans	Scranton
Bradstreet	Green	Martinez	Shackleton
Brater	Hager	Mead	Sheltrown
Brewer	Hale	Middaugh	Shulman
Brown, B.	Hanley	Minore	Spade
Brown, C.	Hansen	Mortimer	Stallworth
Byl	Hardman	Neumann	Stamas
Callahan	Hart	O'Neil	Switalski
Cassis	Howell	Pappageorge	Tabor
Caul	Jacobs	Patterson	Tesanovich
Cherry	Jamnick	Perricone	Thomas
Clark, I.	Jansen	Pestka	Toy
Clarke, H.	Jelinek	Price	Van Woerkom
Daniels	Jellema	Prusi	Vander Roest
DeHart	Johnson, Rick	Pumford	Vaughn
Dennis	Johnson, Ruth	Quarles	Vear
DeRossett	Julian	Raczkowski	Voorhees
DeVuyst	Kelly	Reeves	Wojno
DeWeese	Kilpatrick	Richardville	Woodward
Ehardt	Koetje	Richner	Woronchak
Faunce	Kowall		

Nays—0

In The Chair: Patterson

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Second Reading of Bills**House Bill No. 5044, entitled**

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending section 1 of chapter XI (MCL 711.1), as amended by 1996 PA 495, and by adding section 3 to chapter XI.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Family and Civil Law,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Koetje moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 6, line 7, after "TO," by striking out the balance of the subsection and inserting "EVIDENCE THAT PUBLICATION OR AVAILABILITY OF A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING COULD PLACE THE PETITIONER OR ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL IN PHYSICAL DANGER, SUCH AS EVIDENCE THAT THE PETITIONER OR ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN THE VICTIM OF STALKING OR AN ASSAULTIVE CRIME."

(2) EVIDENCE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THE POSSIBILITY OF PHYSICAL DANGER MUST INCLUDE THE PETITIONER'S OR THE ENDANGERED INDIVIDUAL'S SWORN STATEMENT STATING THE REASON FOR THE FEAR OF PHYSICAL DANGER IF THE RECORD IS PUBLISHED OR OTHERWISE AVAILABLE. IF EVIDENCE IS OFFERED OF STALKING OR AN ASSAULTIVE CRIME, THE COURT SHALL NOT REQUIRE PROOF OF AN ARREST OR PROSECUTION FOR THAT CRIME TO REACH A FINDING OF GOOD CAUSE UNDER SUBSECTION (1)." and renumbering the remaining subsections.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Koetje,

Rep. Kilpatrick moved that consideration of the bill be postponed temporarily.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Raczkowski moved that House Committees be given leave to meet during the balance of today's session.
The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Raczkowski, Richardville, LaForge, Allen, Vander Roest, Mans, Ehardt, Sanborn, Mead, Kukuk, Julian, Kelly, DeHart, Spade, Kuipers, DeVuyst, Gosselin, Koetje, Woronchak, Kowall, Faunce, Van Woerkom, Lemmons, Prusi, Pappageorge, Cassis, Toy, Sheltrown, Rocca, Scranton, Shackleton, Richner, Vaughn, Caul, Howell, LaSata, Jansen, Green, Switalski, Vear, Birkholz, Mortimer, Garcia, Bishop, Shulman, Voorhees and DeRossett offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 290.

A resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States to eliminate the earnings test for Social Security benefits that penalizes older Americans for working.

Whereas, In the six and one-half decades since Social Security was established, this program has played a major role in transforming the standard of living for millions of our citizens, especially older American workers. Over this same period of time, changes have taken place in our society that have necessitated adjustments to numerous aspects of Social Security; and

Whereas, An aspect of Social Security that needs serious revision is the manner in which benefits are determined and reduced when a senior citizen works. Under the current law, an earnings test is applied to reduce the amount of Social Security benefits for a person who chooses to work. Under this mechanism, a person receiving retirement benefits has their benefits reduced by a dollar for every three dollars the person earns that exceed the threshold of \$15,500. This penalty forces seniors to choose between working and the benefits they have rightly earned throughout their working lives; and

Whereas, The earnings test, while it has been adjusted, remains a vestige of a different age in the American workplace. Our life expectancies are far higher than years ago, and our economy faces labor shortages instead of the labor surpluses of the past. The knowledge, experience, and contributions of older American workers constitute resources that must not be squandered because of shortsighted and outdated public policies; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to eliminate the earnings test for Social Security benefits that penalizes older Americans for working; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

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

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Transportation, by Rep. Rick Johnson, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5164, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 319 (MCL 257.319), as amended by 1999 PA 118.

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 5164 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Rick Johnson, Gilbert, DeVuyst, Garcia, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Middaugh, Patterson, Shackleton, Tabor, Kilpatrick, Bovin, Jamnick,
Nays: None.

The Committee on Transportation, by Rep. Rick Johnson, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5264, entitled

A bill to designate the part of highway M-33 located in Ogemaw and Oscoda counties between Houghton Creek road and Miller road as the "Veterans' Memorial Highway"; and to prescribe the duties of the state transportation department.

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 5264 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Rick Johnson, Gilbert, DeVuyst, Garcia, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Middaugh, Patterson, Shackleton, Tabor, Kilpatrick, Bovin, Jamnick, Lemmons,
Nays: None.

The Committee on Transportation, by Rep. Rick Johnson, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 910, entitled

A bill to designate the Bristol road overpass that spans the railroad tracks located on Michigan highway M-121 in Genesee county as the "Preston Schmidt Overpass"; and to prescribe the duties of the state transportation department.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

SB 910 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Rick Johnson, Gilbert, DeVuyst, Garcia, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Middaugh, Shackleton, Tabor, Kilpatrick, Bovin, Jamnick, Lemmons,
Nays: None.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Rick Johnson, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 29, 2000, at 4:50 p.m.,

Present: Reps. Rick Johnson, Gilbert, DeVuyst, Garcia, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Middaugh, Patterson, Shackleton, Tabor, Kilpatrick, Bovin, Jamnick, Lemmons,

Absent: Reps. Brewer, Reeves, Schermesser,

Excused: Reps. Brewer, Reeves, Schermesser.

The Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety, by Rep. Gosselin, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5262, entitled

A bill to amend 1964 PA 154, entitled "Minimum wage law of 1964," by amending section 4a (MCL 408.384a), as amended by 1997 PA 2.

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 5262 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Gosselin, Kuipers, DeWeese, Raczkowski,

Nays: Reps. Dennis, LaForge, Switalski.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Gosselin, Chair of the Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 1, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Gosselin, Kuipers, DeWeese, Raczkowski, Dennis, LaForge, Switalski.

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: Tuesday, February 29, 2000, at 10:00 a.m.,

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

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Allen, Chair of the Committee on Education, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 1, 2000, at 12:00 Noon,

Present: Reps. Allen, Ruth Johnson, Bradstreet, Hager, Hart, Rick Johnson, Kuipers, Van Woerkom, Voorhees, Bogardus, Clark, Daniels, Gielegheem, Hansen, Scott, Spade,

Absent: Rep. DeWeese,

Excused: Rep. DeWeese.

Messages from the Senate**House Bill No. 4620, entitled**

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 1224 (MCL 500.1224), as amended by 1981 PA 1.

The Senate has passed the bill, ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

The House agreed to the full title.

The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 30.

A concurrent resolution calling for better access to credit for farmers, food processors, and agricultural cooperatives.

Whereas, The agriculture industry in Michigan and across much of the country is facing serious difficulties. The severity of this problem is best explained in this state by the steady and significant decline in the number of farms operating in Michigan and the total acreage in agricultural production. The traditional family farm, with farming as the sole occupation, is disappearing in many parts of the state; and

Whereas, Although farming has always depended a great deal on access to capital for the enormous costs of operations, this situation has become more severe as corporate farming increases and places pressure on smaller farms. The economic crisis facing farming is also strongly tied to the difficulties faced by processors and cooperatives. The same difficulties in obtaining capital threaten smaller facilities performing the services of handling and storing crops on their way to the market; and

Whereas, In recent years, with expansion of markets and freer trade in agricultural products, a new wave of economic and political considerations are bringing added pressures to Michigan agriculture. The availability of credit to finance farming is further strained and further favors massive operations; and

Whereas, The credit problems facing farms, processors, and cooperatives must not be ignored. The production of food will always be critical to our state's economy and future. Stronger efforts must be made to open up credit to assure the viability of Michigan agriculture; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That we call for better access to credit for farmers, food processors, and agricultural cooperatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Department of Agriculture and Michigan Department of Agriculture.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

Reps. Richardville, LaForge, Allen, Vander Roest, Mans, Hale, Ehardt, Sanborn, Mead, Kukuk, Julian, Kelly, Spade, Middaugh, DeVuyst, Gosselin, Koetje, Kowall, Faunce, Van Woerkom, Lemmons, Prusi, Jellema, Cassis, Toy, Sheltrown, Rocca, Scranton, Shackleton, Vaughn, Geiger, Caul, Howell, LaSata, Jansen, Green, Clarke, Kilpatrick, Raczkowski, Birkholz, Mortimer, Garcia, Bishop, Voorhees and DeRossett were named co-sponsors of the concurrent resolution.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Resource Management.

Notices

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4919**.

Rep. Baird

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4926**.

Rep. Thomas

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, Thursday, February 24:

Senate Bill Nos. 1041 1042 1043

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Friday, February 25:

Senate Bill Nos. 1044 1045 1046 1047 1048

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Wednesday, March 1:

House Bill Nos. 5460 5461 5462 5463 5464 5465 5466 5467 5468 5469 5470 5471 5472 5473

Communications from State Officers

The following communication from the Auditor General was received and read:

February 29, 2000

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or executive digest:
Performance Audit of the
Bureau of Health Care Services
Department of Corrections
February 2000

Sincerely,
Thomas H. McTavish, C.P.A.
Auditor General

The communication was referred to the Clerk and the accompanying report referred to the Committee on House Oversight and Operations.

Rep. Cherry moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 3:30 p.m.

Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Patterson declared the House adjourned until Thursday, March 2, at 12:00 Noon.

GARY L. RANDALL
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

