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House Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, May 19, 2004.

Sheen—present

1:00 p.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore.

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

Accavitti—present Acciavatti—present Adamini—present Amos—present Anderson—present Bieda—present Bisbee—present Bradstreet—present Brandenburg—present Brown—present Byrum—present Casperson—present Caswell—present Caul-present Cheeks—present Clack—present Condino—present Daniels—present Dennis-present DeRoche—present DeRossett—present Drolet—present Ehardt—present Elkins—present Emmons—present Farhat—present Farrah—present

Garfield—present Gieleghem—present Gillard—present Gleason—present Hager—excused Hardman—present Hart—present Hood-present Hoogendyk—present Hopgood—present Howell-present Huizenga—present Hummel—present Hune-present Hunter—present Jamnick—present Johnson, Rick-present Johnson, Ruth—present Julian—present Koetje-present Kolb—present Kooiman—present LaJoy—present LaSata—present Law-present Lipsey—present McConico—present

Meisner—present Meyer—present Middaugh—present Milosch-present Minore-present Moolenaar—present Mortimer—present Murphy—present Newell-present Nitz-present Nofs-e/d/s O'Neil—present Palmer—present Palsrok-present Pappageorge—present Pastor—present Phillips—present Plakas—present Pumford—present Reeves-present Richardville-present Rivet—present Robertson—present Rocca—present Sak—present Shackleton—present

Shaffer—present

Sheltrown—present Shulman—present Smith—present Spade—present Stahl—present Stakoe—present Stallworth—present Steil—present Stewart—present Tabor—present Taub—present Tobocman—present Vagnozzi-present Van Regenmorter—present Vander Veen—present Voorhees—present Walker—present Ward—present Waters-present Wenke-present Whitmer—present Williams—present Wojno—present Woodward-present Woronchak—present Zelenko—present

Gaffney—present

Rep. Clarence E. Phillips, from the 29th District, offered the following invocation:

"Dear Merciful Lord and Heavenly Father, You who know all about us, You who have brought us to this beautiful day and the promise and the possibility that it brings. Help us as we deliberate on very, very important business for the citizens of this great state. Help us to make the right decisions that will bring this state and its citizens through these very tough times. Dear Lord, please bless every heart and every home of the service men and women who fight so valiantly for what this country stands for, in Afghanistan and Iraq. In Your name, we pray. Amen."

Rep. Palmer moved that Rep. Hager be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Waters moved that Reps. Clack and Hardman be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Speaker laid before the House

House Concurrent Resolution No. 54.

A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease between the State of Michigan and the State Building Authority relative to the Department of Management and Budget Capitol Complex Renovations.

(For text of concurrent resolution, see House Journal No. 35, p. 799.)

(The concurrent resolution was reported by the Committee on Appropriations on May 18, consideration of which, under the rules, was postponed until today.)

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The Clerk made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House, the lease and exhibits attached to the resolution are available for review by the membership in the Clerk's office."

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 351

Yeas—105

Accavitti Garfield Meyer Acciavatti Gieleghem Middaugh Adamini Gillard Milosch Amos Gleason Minore Hart Moolenaar Anderson Bieda Hood Mortimer Bisbee Hoogendyk Murphy Newell Hopgood Bradstreet Brandenburg Howell Nitz Brown Huizenga O'Neil Byrum Hummel Palmer Casperson Hune Palsrok Caswell Hunter Pappageorge Caul Jamnick Pastor Cheeks Johnson, Rick **Phillips** Condino Johnson, Ruth Plakas **Daniels** Julian Pumford

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Nays-0

In The Chair: Julian

Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 559, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998," by amending section 513 (MCL 436.1513), as amended by 2002 PA 725.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Nofs entered the House Chambers.

Rep. Brown moved that Rep. Whitmer be excused temporarily from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 559, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998," by amending section 513 (MCL 436.1513), as amended by 2002 PA 725.

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

Roll Call No. 352 Yeas—91

Accavitti Adamini	Farrah	McConico Maisman	Shaffer
	Gaffney	Meisner	Sheltrown
Amos	Gieleghem	Meyer	Shulman
Anderson	Gillard	Minore	Smith
Bieda	Gleason	Moolenaar	Spade
Bisbee	Hardman	Mortimer	Stakoe
Brandenburg	Hart	Murphy	Steil

Newell Stewart Brown Hood **Byrum** Hopgood Nitz **Tabor** Casperson Howell Nofs Taub Caswell Huizenga O'Neil Tobocman Caul Palsrok Vagnozzi Hune Vander Veen Cheeks Hunter Pappageorge Clack Jamnick Pastor Walker **Phillips** Condino Johnson, Rick Ward Daniels Julian Plakas Waters Koetje Pumford Wenke Dennis DeRoche Kolb Richardville Williams Woino **DeRossett** Kooiman Rivet LaJoy Robertson Woodward Ehardt Woronchak Elkins LaSata Rocca **Emmons** Law Sak Zelenko Farhat Lipsey Shackleton

Nays—15

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In The Chair: Julian

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

"An act to create a commission for the control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, and to prescribe its powers, duties, and limitations; to provide for powers and duties for certain state departments and agencies; to impose certain taxes for certain purposes; to provide for the control of the alcoholic liquor traffic within this state and to provide for the power to establish state liquor stores; to provide for the care and treatment of alcoholics; to provide for the incorporation of farmer cooperative wineries and the granting of certain rights and privileges to those cooperatives; to provide for the licensing and taxation of activities regulated under this act and the disposition of the money received under this act; to prescribe liability for retail licensees under certain circumstances and to require security for that liability; to provide procedures, defenses, and remedies regarding violations of this act; to provide for the enforcement and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; to provide for allocation of certain funds for certain purposes; to provide for the confiscation and disposition of property seized under this act; to provide referenda under certain circumstances; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

The House agreed to the full title.

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

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

Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 1073, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1246 (MCL 380.1246), as amended by 1995 PA 289.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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

Senate Bill No. 1073, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1246 (MCL 380.1246), as amended by 1995 PA 289.

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

Roll Call No. 353

Yeas-107

Accavitti Garfield Acciavatti Gieleghem Adamini Gillard Amos Gleason Hardman Anderson Bieda Hart Bisbee Hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Hopgood Brown Howell Bvrum Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Cau1 Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian Koetje DeRoche **DeRossett** Kolb Drolet Kooiman Ehardt LaJov Elkins LaSata **Emmons** Law Farhat Lipsey Farrah **McConico** Meisner Gaffney

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Nays—0

In The Chair: Julian

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

"An act to provide a system of public instruction and elementary and secondary schools; to revise, consolidate, and clarify the laws relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for the organization, regulation, and maintenance of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to prescribe rights, powers, duties, and privileges of schools, school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts, and other public school entities; to provide for the regulation of school teachers and certain other school employees; to provide for school elections and to prescribe powers and duties with respect thereto; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes; to provide for the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to establish a fund and provide for expenditures from that fund; to provide for and prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, the state board of education, and certain other boards and officials; to provide for licensure of boarding schools; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

The House agreed to the full title.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5737, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties," by amending section 9 (MCL 207.559), as amended by 1999 PA 140.

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

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5737, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties," by amending section 9 (MCL 207.559), as amended by 1999 PA 140.

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

Roll Call No. 354 Yeas—108

Accavitti Gaffney Acciavatti Garfield Adamini Gieleghem Amos Gillard Anderson Gleason Bieda Hardman Bisbee Hart Bradstreet Hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Brown Hopgood Byrum Howell Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Johnson, Rick Condino

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Nays—0

In The Chair: Julian

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

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

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties," by amending section 7 (MCL 207.557), as amended by 1996 PA 513.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5843, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 33, entitled "An act to provide police and fire protection for townships and for certain areas in townships, certain incorporated villages, and cities under 15,000 population; to authorize contracting for fire and police protection; to authorize the purchase of fire and police equipment, and the maintenance and operation of the equipment; to provide for defraying the cost of the equipment; to authorize the creation of special assessment districts and the levying and collecting of special assessments; to authorize the issuance of special assessment bonds in anticipation of the collection of special assessments and the advancement of the amount necessary to pay such bonds, and to provide for reimbursement for such advances by reassessment if necessary; to authorize the collection of fees for certain emergency services in townships and other municipalities; to authorize the creation of administrative boards and to prescribe their powers and duties; to provide for the appointment of traffic officers and to prescribe their powers and duties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 6 (MCL 41.806), as amended by 1989 PA 81.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5843, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 33, entitled "An act to provide police and fire protection for townships and for certain areas in townships, certain incorporated villages, and cities under 15,000 population; to authorize contracting for fire and

police protection; to authorize the purchase of fire and police equipment, and the maintenance and operation of the equipment; to provide for defraying the cost of the equipment; to authorize the creation of special assessment districts and the levying and collecting of special assessments; to authorize the issuance of special assessment bonds in anticipation of the collection of special assessments and the advancement of the amount necessary to pay such bonds, and to provide for reimbursement for such advances by reassessment if necessary; to authorize the collection of fees for certain emergency services in townships and other municipalities; to authorize the creation of administrative boards and to prescribe their powers and duties; to provide for the appointment of traffic officers and to prescribe their powers and duties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 6 (MCL 41.806), as amended by 1989 PA 81.

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

Roll Call No. 355

Yeas—108

Accavitti Gaffney Acciavatti Garfield Gieleghem Adamini Gillard Amos Anderson Gleason Hardman Bieda Bisbee Hart Bradstreet Hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Hopgood Brown Howell Byrum Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian Koetje DeRoche **DeRossett** Kolb Drolet Kooiman Ehardt LaJoy Elkins LaSata Emmons Law Farhat Lipsey Farrah McConico

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Nays-0

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5802, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 8a, 65, 204a, 208, 303, 306, 307, 309, 310e, 312b, 312e, 312f, 313, 314, 316, 317, 319, 319b, 319c, 320a, 321a, 323c, 732, 812, and 904 (MCL

257.8a, 257.65, 257.204a, 257.208, 257.303, 257.306, 257.307, 257.309, 257.310e, 257.312b, 257.312e, 257.312f, 257.313, 257.314, 257.316, 257.317, 257.319, 257.319b, 257.319c, 257.320a, 257.321a, 257.323c, 257.732, 257.812, and 257.904), section 8a as amended by 1998 PA 356, section 65 as amended by 1994 PA 449, section 204a as amended by 1999 PA 73, section 208 as amended by 1997 PA 100, sections 303, 310e, and 319 as amended by 2003 PA 61, sections 306, 309, 312f, 319b, 319c, 323c, 732, and 904 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 307 as amended by 2004 PA 52, section 312b as amended by 2003 PA 103, sections 312e and 812 as amended by 2003 PA 152, section 313 as amended by 1991 PA 99, section 314 as amended by 2002 PA 554, section 317 as amended by 1993 PA 359, section 320a as amended by 2003 PA 315, and section 321a as amended by 2002 PA 741; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5802, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 8a, 65, 204a, 208, 303, 306, 307, 309, 310e, 312b, 312e, 312f, 313, 314, 316, 317, 319, 319b, 319c, 320a, 321a, 323c, 732, 812, and 904 (MCL 257.8a, 257.65, 257.204a, 257.208, 257.303, 257.306, 257.307, 257.309, 257.310e, 257.312b, 257.312e, 257.312f, 257.313, 257.314, 257.316, 257.317, 257.319, 257.319b, 257.319c, 257.320a, 257.321a, 257.323c, 257.732, 257.812, and 257.904), section 8a as amended by 1998 PA 356, section 65 as amended by 1994 PA 449, section 204a as amended by 1999 PA 73, section 208 as amended by 1997 PA 100, sections 303, 310e, and 319 as amended by 2003 PA 61, sections 306, 309, 312f, 319b, 319c, 323c, 732, and 904 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 307 as amended by 2004 PA 52, section 312b as amended by 2003 PA 103, sections 312e and 812 as amended by 2003 PA 152, section 313 as amended by 1991 PA 99, section 314 as amended by 2002 PA 554, section 317 as amended by 1993 PA 359, section 320a as amended by 2003 PA 315, and section 321a as amended by 2002 PA 741; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Roll Call No. 356

Yeas—108

Accavitti Gaffney Garfield Acciavatti Adamini Gieleghem Gillard Amos Anderson Gleason Bieda Hardman Bisbee Hart Bradstreet Hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Hopgood Brown Byrum Howell Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian DeRoche Koetje **DeRossett** Kolb Drolet Kooiman

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Ehardt Williams LaJoy Robertson Woino Elkins LaSata Rocca **Emmons** Law Sak Woodward Woronchak Farhat Lipsey Shackleton McConico Zelenko Farrah Shaffer

Nays—0

In The Chair: Julian

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

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

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 8a, 65, 204a, 208, 303, 306, 307, 309, 310e, 312b, 312e, 312f, 313, 314, 316, 317, 319, 319b, 319c, 320a, 321a, 323c, 708b, 732, 812, and 904 (MCL 257.8a, 257.65, 257.204a, 257.208, 257.303, 257.306, 257.307, 257.309, 257.310e, 257.312b, 257.312e, 257.312f, 257.313, 257.314, 257.316, 257.317, 257.319, 257.319b, 257.319c, 257.320a, 257.321a, 257.321a, 257.323c, 257.708b, 257.732, 257.812, and 257.904), section 8a as amended by 1998 PA 356, sections 65, 319b, 320a, 321a, and 732 as amended by 2004 PA 62, section 204a as amended by 1999 PA 73, section 208 as amended by 1997 PA 100, sections 303 and 319 as amended by 2003 PA 61, sections 306 and 310e as amended by 2004 PA 71, section 307 as amended by 2004 PA 52, sections 309, 312f, 319c, 323c, and 904 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 312b as amended by 2003 PA 103, sections 312e and 812 as amended by 2003 PA 152, section 313 as amended by 1991 PA 99, section 314 as amended by 2002 PA 554, section 317 as amended by 1993 PA 359, and section 708b as added by 1991 PA 55; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

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

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

Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 724, entitled

A bill to amend 1953 PA 181, entitled "An act relative to investigations in certain instances of the causes of death within this state due to violence, negligence or other act or omission of a criminal nature or to protect public health; to provide for the taking of statements from injured persons under certain circumstances; to abolish the office of coroner and to create the office of county medical examiner in certain counties; to prescribe the powers and duties of county medical examiners; to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and to prescribe a referendum thereon," by amending section 2 (MCL 52.202), as amended by 2001 PA 26.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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

Senate Bill No. 724, entitled

A bill to amend 1953 PA 181, entitled "An act relative to investigations in certain instances of the causes of death within this state due to violence, negligence or other act or omission of a criminal nature or to protect public health; to provide for the taking of statements from injured persons under certain circumstances; to abolish the office of coroner and to create the office of county medical examiner in certain counties; to prescribe the powers and duties of county medical examiners; to prescribe penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; and to prescribe a referendum thereon," by amending section 2 (MCL 52.202), as amended by 2001 PA 26.

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

Roll Call No. 357

Yeas—108

Sheen Accavitti Gaffnev Meisner Acciavatti Garfield Mever Sheltrown Gieleghem Middaugh Shulman Adamini Amos Gillard Milosch Smith Anderson Gleason Minore Spade Hardman Moolenaar Stahl Bieda Bisbee Hart Mortimer Stakoe Hood Murphy Stallworth Bradstreet Brandenburg Hoogendyk Newell Steil Hopgood Nitz Brown Stewart **Byrum** Howell Nofs **Tabor** Casperson Huizenga O'Neil Taub Caswell Hummel Palmer Tobocman Cau1 Hune Palsrok Vagnozzi Cheeks Hunter Pappageorge Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Clack Jamnick Pastor Voorhees Condino Johnson, Rick **Phillips Daniels** Johnson, Ruth Plakas Walker Julian Pumford Ward Dennis DeRoche Koetje Reeves Waters DeRossett Kolb Richardville Wenke Drolet Kooiman Rivet Whitmer Ehardt LaJoy Robertson Williams Rocca Elkins LaSata Woino Woodward Emmons Law Sak Farhat Shackleton Woronchak Lipsey Farrah **McConico** Shaffer Zelenko

Nays-0

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5807, entitled

A bill to amend 1923 PA 238, entitled "An act authorizing the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating, manufacturing, producing, gathering, storing, transmitting, distributing, transforming, selling and supplying electric energy or gas, either artificial or natural, or both electric energy and gas, to the public generally, or to public utilities or natural gas companies, and providing for and giving to such corporations and also to corporations heretofore lawfully organized, among other things, for such purposes; to corporations heretofore lawfully organized, or that may hereafter be lawfully organized and duly authorized to carry on the electric or gas business as a public utility in the state of Michigan; and to foreign corporations heretofore lawfully organized or that may hereafter be lawfully organized, among other things, for such purposes, and duly authorized to carry on business in the state of Michigan, the right to condemn private property for the uses provided for herein," by amending section 3 (MCL 486.253) and by adding section 5.

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

The substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5807, entitled

A bill to amend 1923 PA 238, entitled "An act authorizing the formation of corporations for the purpose of generating, manufacturing, producing, gathering, storing, transmitting, distributing, transforming, selling and supplying electric energy or gas, either artificial or natural, or both electric energy and gas, to the public generally, or to public utilities or natural gas companies, and providing for and giving to such corporations and also to corporations heretofore lawfully organized, among other things, for such purposes; to corporations heretofore lawfully organized, or that may hereafter be lawfully organized and duly authorized to carry on the electric or gas business as a public utility in the state of Michigan; and to foreign corporations heretofore lawfully organized or that may hereafter be lawfully organized, among other things, for such purposes, and duly authorized to carry on business in the state of Michigan, the right to condemn private property for the uses provided for herein," by amending section 3 (MCL 486.253) and by adding section 5.

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

Roll Call No. 358

Yeas-108

Accavitti Gaffney Acciavatti Garfield Adamini Gieleghem Amos Gillard Anderson Gleason Hardman Bieda Bisbee Hart Bradstreet hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Brown Hopgood Howell Byrum Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian DeRoche Koetje DeRossett Kolb Drolet Kooiman Ehardt LaJoy Elkins LaSata **Emmons** Law Farhat Lipsey McConico Farrah

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Zelenko

Sheen

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Spade

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Shulman

Nays-0

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5808, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 30, entitled "Electric transmission line certification act," by amending sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 15 (MCL 460.562, 460.563, 460.564, 460.565, 460.566, 460.567, 460.568, 460.569, 460.570, 460.571, 460.573, and 460.575).

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

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Waters moved that Rep. Woodward be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5808, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 30, entitled "Electric transmission line certification act," by amending sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 15 (MCL 460.562, 460.563, 460.564, 460.565, 460.566, 460.567, 460.568, 460.569, 460.570, 460.571, 460.573, and 460.575).

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

Roll Call No. 359 Yeas—107

Accavitti Gaffney Acciavatti Garfield Adamini Gieleghem Gillard Amos Anderson Gleason Hardman Bieda Bisbee Hart Bradstreet Hood Hoogendyk Brandenburg Brown Hopgood **Byrum** Howell Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick **Daniels** Johnson, Ruth

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Voorhees

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Dennis Pumford Julian DeRoche Koetie Reeves DeRossett Kolb Richardville Drolet Kooiman Rivet LaJoy Ehardt Robertson Elkins LaSata Rocca **Emmons** Law Sak Farhat Lipsey Shackleton Farrah McConico Shaffer

Ward Waters Wenke Whitmer Williams Wojno Woronchak Zelenko

Nays-0

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5467, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending the title and sections 2, 3, and 3a (MCL 551.102, 551.103, and 551.103a), the title and section 2 as amended by 1998 PA 333, section 3 as amended by 1984 PA 346, and section 3a as amended by 1989 PA 270, and by adding sections 2a and 2b.

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

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

Rep. Howell moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 6, after "section 3a." by inserting "This section and the longer waiting period prescribed by section 3a do not apply if both the man and the woman applying for the marriage license are 50 years of age or older.". The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Voorhees moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Amend page 2, line 13, after "matrimony" by striking out the balance of the sentence and inserting a period.

 2. Amend page 2, line 21, after "registrar." by striking out the balance of the subsection.
- 3. Amend page 2, line 24, by striking out all of subsections (3) and (4).

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Sheltrown moved that Rep. Lipsey be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Waters moved that Rep. Cheeks be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5467, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending the title and sections 2, 3, and 3a (MCL 551.102, 551.103, and 551.103a), the title and section 2 as amended by 1988 PA 333, section 3 as amended by 1984 PA 346, and section 3a as amended by 1989 PA 270, and by adding sections 2a and 2b.

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

Roll Call No. 360

Yeas—71

Acciavatti Gaffney Milosch Sheen Adamini Gillard Moolenaar Shulman Spade Amos Gleason Mortimer Newell Bieda Hart Stahl Bisbee Hoogendyk Nitz Stakoe Howell Nofs Steil Bradstreet Brandenburg Huizenga Palmer Stewart Hummel Brown Palsrok Tabor Casperson Hune Pappageorge Taub Caswell Johnson, Rick Pastor Van Regenmorter Johnson, Ruth Pumford Vander Veen Caul DeRoche Julian Richardville Voorhees **DeRossett** Koetie Rivet Walker Drolet Kooiman Robertson Ward Rocca Ehardt LaJov Wenke Elkins LaSata Sak Woino Meyer Shackleton Woronchak Emmons Farhat Middaugh Shaffer

Nays-34

Accavitti Gieleghem Meisner Stallworth Hardman Minore Tobocman Anderson Hood Murphy Vagnozzi Bvrum Clack Waters Hopgood O'Neil Condino Hunter **Phillips** Whitmer Daniels Jamnick Plakas Williams Dennis Kolb Sheltrown Woodward Farrah Smith Zelenko Law **McConico** Garfield

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Rep. Jamnick, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

I voted no on HB 5467 because this counseling is provided today by most, if not all faiths and legislation is not needed."

[&]quot;Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Rep. Anderson, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 - 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions - particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love."

Rep. Kolb, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 – 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions – particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love.

I voted no on House Bill 5470 because it would mandate a pre-divorce program with few exceptions. Domestic violence groups are justifiably concerned that such a requirement could make it more difficult for such people to get a divorce to escape their situation.

Furthermore, the bill is based on the presumption that people who get divorced haven't given it enough thought and the government needs to force its way into their decision making process to make sure that they are fully cognizant of the consequences. The sad truth is that all too many divorcing couples are all too aware of what is happening and its consequences. All this will likely do is create a greater feelings of guilt and sorrow in what is already a sorry enough situation. The assumption that people seeking a divorce are doing so on a whim and lack adequate forethought is a self-righteous one and not one that is supported by most people's experience."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5468, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 269. Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-2) previously recommended by the Committee on Judiciary,

The substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5468, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 269. Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 361

Yeas—72

Acciavatti Gleason Milosch Shaffer Hardman Amos Moolenaar Sheen Bisbee Hart Mortimer Shulman Bradstreet Hoogendyk Murphy Spade Brandenburg Howell Newell Stahl Brown Huizenga Nitz Stakoe Casperson Hummel Nofs Steil Caswell Hune Palmer Stewart Johnson, Rick Cau1 Palsrok Tabor DeRoche Johnson, Ruth Pappageorge Taub Julian Pastor **DeRossett** Van Regenmorter Koetje Reeves Vander Veen Drolet

Ehardt Kooiman Richardville Voorhees **Emmons** LaJoy Rivet Walker Ward Farhat LaSata Robertson Gaffney Lipsey Rocca Waters Sak Garfield Meyer Wenke Gillard Middaugh Shackleton Wojno

Nays—36

Accavitti Dennis Law Smith Adamini Elkins Stallworth McConico Anderson Farrah Meisner Tobocman Gieleghem Vagnozzi Bieda Minore Byrum Hood O'Neil Whitmer Cheeks Hopgood **Phillips** Williams Clack Hunter Plakas Woodward Condino Jamnick Pumford Woronchak Daniels Kolb Sheltrown Zelenko

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Reps. Hardman, McConico, Stewart, Richardville and Murphy were named co-sponsors of the bill.

Rep. Bieda, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted against HB 5468 because a small tax credit taken on the tax return forms filed one year after the 'marriage preservation class' is taken will do little, if nothing, to encourage couples to take marriage preservation courses. It will also have revenue impacts to the state, which in these days of fiscal restraint, nonetheless have a negative impact on the state coffers."

Rep. Anderson, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 - 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions - particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in

place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love."

Rep. Kolb, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 – 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions – particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love.

I voted no on House Bill 5470 because it would mandate a pre-divorce program with few exceptions. Domestic violence groups are justifiably concerned that such a requirement could make it more difficult for such people to get a divorce to escape their situation.

Furthermore, the bill is based on the presumption that people who get divorced haven't given it enough thought and the government needs to force its way into their decision making process to make sure that they are fully cognizant of the consequences. The sad truth is that all too many divorcing couples are all too aware of what is happening and its consequences. All this will likely do is create a greater feelings of guilt and sorrow in what is already a sorry enough situation. The assumption that people seeking a divorce are doing so on a whim and lack adequate forethought is a self-righteous one and not one that is supported by most people's experience."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5469, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," (MCL 551.101 to 551.111) by amending the title, as amended by 1998 PA 333, and by adding section 12.

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

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5469, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," (MCL 551.101 to 551.111) by amending the title, as amended by 1998 PA 333, and by adding section 12.

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

Roll Call No. 362

Yeas—72

Acciavatti Milosch Shaffer Gleason Amos Hardman Moolenaar Sheen Bisbee Hart Mortimer Shulman Bradstreet Hoogendyk Murphy Spade Howell Newell Stahl Brandenburg Huizenga Brown Nitz Stakoe Casperson Hummel Nofs Steil Caswell Hune Palmer Stewart Caul Johnson, Rick Palsrok **Tabor** DeRoche Johnson, Ruth Pappageorge Taub **DeRossett** Julian Pastor Van Regenmorter Reeves Vander Veen Drolet Koetie Ehardt Kooiman Richardville Voorhees Rivet Walker Emmons LaJoy Farhat LaSata Robertson Ward Gaffney Lipsey Rocca Waters Meyer Garfield Sak Wenke Gillard Middaugh Shackleton Wojno

Nays—36

Smith Accavitti Dennis Law Adamini Elkins **McConico** Stallworth Anderson Farrah Meisner Tobocman Bieda Gieleghem Minore Vagnozzi Whitmer Byrum Hood O'Neil Cheeks Hopgood **Phillips** Williams Clack Hunter Plakas Woodward Condino Jamnick Pumford Woronchak Daniels Kolb Sheltrown Zelenko

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Rep. Bieda, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

It has been said that the road to ruin has been paved with good-intentions. I believe that this bill, along with HB 5468 to which it is tie-barred, represents a poorly conceived notion that by offering a small tax credit, more couples will take advantage of marriage preservation programs. I personally find this hard to believe. I trust that most couples would want to preserve their marriages, but I find it doubtful that a small tax credit taken in the next calendar year would be any type of an incentive for taking one of these marriage preservation classes. We do know that there is a cost to these bills, and as the state is not exactly swimming in money, I don't believe that the state can afford this at this time. Thus I voted no."

Rep. Anderson, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 - 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions - particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in

place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5470, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled "Of divorce," (MCL 552.1 to 552.45) by adding sections 5 and 5a.

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

The substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Koetje moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 10, after "party." by inserting "The sworn statement shall be reviewed only by the court and shall not be a part of the public record of that divorce action.".

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

Rep. Voorhees moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 5, following line 17, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2004.".

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5470, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled "Of divorce," (MCL 552.1 to 552.45) by adding sections 5 and 5a.

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

Roll Call No. 363 Yeas—63

Acciavatti Hoogendyk Howell Amos Bisbee Huizenga Hummel Bradstreet Brandenburg Hune Casperson Johnson, Rick Caswell Johnson, Ruth Caul Julian Kooiman DeRoche LaJoy DeRossett Drolet LaSata Ehardt Meyer Middaugh **Emmons** Farhat Milosch Gleason Moolenaar Hart Mortimer

Murphy Newell Nitz Nofs Palmer Palsrok Pappageorge Pastor Pumford Reeves Richardville Robertson Rocca Sak Shaffer Sheen

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Nays-44

Accavitti Elkins Koetje Sheltrown Kolb Adamini Farrah Smith Gaffney Anderson Law Stallworth Garfield Bieda Lipsev Steil Gieleghem Brown Meisner Tobocman Gillard Byrum Minore Vagnozzi Cheeks Hardman O'Neil Waters Clack Whitmer Hood **Phillips** Condino Hopgood Plakas Williams **Daniels** Hunter Rivet Woodward Dennis Jamnick Shackleton Zelenko

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Rep. Bieda, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement: "Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted against HB 5470 because despite its good intentions, it would still pose serious consequences for victims of domestic abuse. I also question whether the stated goal of this bill would be met — that of minimizing the impact of divorce on children. Indeed, in some circumstances, it is not too hard to imagine this drawing out of the divorce process actually making the process worse. While I appreciate the concern and intent of this bill, it simply goes too far, and has the potential of creating too many potential problems. Thus, I voted against HB 5470 (H-2)."

Rep. Hopgood, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5470 because it would mandate a pre-divorce program with few exceptions. Domestic violence groups are justifiably concerned that such a requirement could make it more difficult for such people to get a divorce to escape their situation.

Furthermore, the bill is based on the presumption that people who get divorced haven't given it enough thought and the government needs to force its way into their decision making process to make sure that they are fully cognizant of the consequences. The sad truth is that all too many divorcing couples are all too aware of what is happening and its consequences. All this will likely do is create a greater feeling of guilt and sorrow in what is already a sorry enough situation. The assumption that people seeking a divorce are doing so on a whim and lack adequate forethought is a self-righteous one and not one that is supported by most people's experience."

Reps. Law and Kolb, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5467 - 5469 because I do not believe that it is appropriate for government to insert itself in people's personal decisions - particularly the decision to marry. Similar premarital education programs have been in place in Florida and Oklahoma since 1998 and 1999, respectively. As yet, neither state has shown a significant decrease in the number of divorces.

The overall suggestion of the bill is that people who get married and, more particularly, those who get divorced don't know what they are doing and that increased education, training, and advice will help those who marry to stay married longer. Of course, those who are married realize that few of us fully understand what we are getting into and that all the well-meaning advice in the world will not magically salvage a doomed marriage. If well-meaning advice were all it took to cure marital ills, there would be no divorce.

While it might seem comforting to accept the premise that if we better educate couples about marriage beforehand, they will stay married longer, the premise clearly has little more validity than claiming that all they need is love.

I voted no on House Bill 5470 because it would mandate a pre-divorce program with few exceptions. Domestic

violence groups are justifiably concerned that such a requirement could make it more difficult for such people to get a divorce to escape their situation.

Furthermore, the bill is based on the presumption that people who get divorced haven't given it enough thought and the government needs to force its way into their decision making process to make sure that they are fully cognizant of the consequences. The sad truth is that all too many divorcing couples are all too aware of what is happening and its consequences. All this will likely do is create a greater feelings of guilt and sorrow in what is already a sorry enough situation. The assumption that people seeking a divorce are doing so on a whim and lack adequate forethought is a self-righteous one and not one that is supported by most people's experience."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5472, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled "Of divorce," by amending section 45 (MCL 552.45).

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-3) previously recommended by the Committee on Judiciary,

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Kooiman 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. 5472, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 84, entitled "Of divorce," by amending section 45 (MCL 552.45).

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

Roll Call No. 364 Yeas—81

Acciavatti Gleason Amos Hart Hoogendyk Bisbee Hopgood Bradstreet Howell Brandenburg Huizenga Brown Hummel Casperson Caswell Hune Caul Johnson, Rick Clack Johnson, Ruth DeRoche Julian **DeRossett** Koetje Kooiman Drolet Ehardt LaJov Elkins LaSata **Emmons** Law Farhat Lipsey Gaffney McConico Meyer Garfield Middaugh Gieleghem Gillard

Milosch Moolenaar Mortimer Murphy Newell Nitz Nofs Palmer Palsrok Pappageorge Pastor **Phillips** Pumford Reeves Richardville Rivet Robertson Rocca Sak

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Zelenko

Shaffer

Shulman

Sheen

Spade

Nays—27

Kolb Stallworth Accavitti Daniels Adamini Dennis Meisner Tobocman Anderson Farrah Minore Vagnozzi Waters O'Neil Bieda Hardman Plakas Whitmer Byrum Hood Cheeks Hunter Sheltrown Williams Condino Jamnick Smith

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Kooiman 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. 5473, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending sections 3 and 4 (MCL 551.103 and 551.104), section 3 as amended by 1984 PA 346.

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

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

Rep. Voorhees moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, following line 26, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2004.".

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Waters moved that Rep. Sheltrown be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5473, entitled

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending sections 3 and 4 (MCL 551.103 and 551.104), section 3 as amended by 1984 PA 346.

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

Roll Call No. 365 Yeas—96

Accavitti Farrah McConico Shackleton Acciavatti Gaffney Meyer Shaffer Adamini Middaugh Sheen Gieleghem Gillard Milosch Shulman Amos Bieda Gleason Moolenaar Smith Bisbee Hardman Mortimer Spade Bradstreet Hart Murphy Stahl Brandenburg Hood Newell Stakoe Brown Hoogendyk Nitz Stallworth **Byrum** Hopgood Nofs Steil Casperson Howell O'Neil Stewart Caswell Huizenga Palmer **Tabor** Caul Hummel Taub Palsrok Cheeks Hune Vagnozzi Pappageorge Van Regenmorter Clack Hunter Pastor Vander Veen Johnson, Rick **Phillips**

Condino Daniels Johnson, Ruth Plakas Voorhees Walker Dennis Julian Pumford DeRoche Koetje Reeves Ward Kooiman Richardville DeRossett Waters LaJoy Wenke Ehardt Rivet LaSata Robertson Wojno Elkins Woronchak **Emmons** Law Rocca Zelenko Farhat Lipsey Sak

Nays—11

Anderson Jamnick Minore Williams
Drolet Kolb Tobocman Woodward

Garfield Meisner Whitmer

In The Chair: Julian

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

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

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled "An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act," by amending section 4 (MCL 551.104).

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

Rep. Kooiman 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. 5474, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 16901, 16903, and 16905 (MCL 333.16901, 333.16903, and 333.16905), as added by 1995 PA 126.

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

The substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

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Vagnozzi

Voorhees

Walker

Waters

Wenke

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Van Regenmorter

Tabor

Taub

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5474, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 16901, 16903, and 16905 (MCL 333.16901, 333.16903, and 333.16905), as added by 1995 PA 126.

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

Roll Call No. 366

Yeas—95

Gaffney Accavitti Meyer Acciavatti Garfield Middaugh Gieleghem Milosch Adamini Gillard Amos Moolenaar Bieda Gleason Mortimer Bisbee Hardman Murphy Newell Bradstreet Hart Brandenburg Hood Nitz Hoogendyk Nofs Brown Hopgood O'Neil **Byrum** Casperson Howell Palmer Caswell Huizenga Palsrok Cau1 Hummel Pappageorge Cheeks Hune Pastor Condino **Phillips** Hunter Johnson, Rick Dennis Plakas Johnson, Ruth Pumford DeRoche Julian Reeves **DeRossett** Richardville Drolet Koetje Ehardt Kooiman Rivet Elkins LaJoy Robertson **Emmons** LaSata Rocca Farhat Lipsey Sak Farrah McConico Shackleton

Nays—12

Anderson Jamnick Meisner Tobocman Clack Kolb Minore Whitmer Daniels Law Stallworth Williams

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Milosch, Garfield, Brandenburg, Acciavatti, Tabor, Taub, Van Regenmorter, Hummel, Huizenga, Newell, Stahl, Nitz, Drolet, Vander Veen, Sheen, Palsrok, Ward, DeRoche, Palmer, Shaffer, Wenke, Caul, Farhat, Pastor and Hager offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 262.

A resolution to urge the Governor to ban the import into Michigan of any products that could be hosts for the fungus-like pathogen that causes Sudden Oak Death.

Whereas, Several states, most notably California, are presently dealing with a serious threat to plant life known as Sudden Oak Death (SOD). This forest disease, which is caused by a fungus-like pathogen called Phyophthora ramorum, represents a potentially devastating situation for many species of plants important to Michigan and much of the country. In addition to California, Sudden Oak Death has been found in other states, such as Oregon, Florida, and Georgia and possibly Maryland. This condition is also a notable concern in Europe; and

Whereas, The SOD fungus-like pathogen prefers cool, wet climates, and its spores apparently can be spread through the air or through water. With these characteristics, Michigan and its forestlands would seem to be quite vulnerable to SOD. This is an issue with ramifications that extend far beyond nurseries in our state; and

Whereas, Almost 60 plant species are known to be hosts for the fungus-like pathogen that causes Sudden Oak Death. Several states and Canada have already put quarantines in place to try to prevent the spread of this disease. The federal government has also initiated efforts to deal with this problem. With the diversity of Michigan's plant life, the seemingly favorable conditions of our climate, and the devastation that could result if this disease were to become established here, Michigan clearly would be well served by establishing a quarantine of any plants being imported into our state that could be host plants for the fungus-like pathogen that causes Sudden Oak Death; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the Governor to ban the import into Michigan from any infected state of any products that may act as a host for the fungus-like pathogen that causes Sudden Oak Death; and be it further Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Office of the Governor.

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

Reps. Shulman, Spade, Accavitti, Acciavatti, Adamini, Amos, Bieda, Casperson, Dennis, DeRossett, Ehardt, Elkins, Garfield, Gieleghem, Gillard, Gleason, Hopgood, Hune, Koetje, Kolb, Law, Meyer, Milosch, Minore, O'Neil, Phillips, Richardville, Sak, Shaffer, Sheltrown, Taub, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Wojno, Woodward, Zelenko, Byrum, Caul, Condino, Newell, Pappageorge, Pastor, Rocca, Stakoe, Stewart and Tabor offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 263.

A resolution recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Area Agency on Aging 1-B on May 19, 2004, and acknowledging its proud service to older adults residing in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, and Washtenaw counties.

Whereas, Following the 1973 amendments to the federal Older Americans Act, United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit received endorsements from the state of Michigan and six county commission boards to establish an area agency on aging; and

Whereas, The Area Agency on Aging 1-B was established as a nonprofit agency dedicated to maintaining the independence, dignity, and quality of life of older adults, family caregivers, and adults with disabilities residing in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, and Washtenaw counties by supporting a comprehensive service delivery system and providing access to community-based care; and

Whereas, In 1987, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B became an independent nonprofit entity to serve as a single point of access to care for individuals 60 years of age and older, their caregivers, and disabled adults; and

Whereas, May 19, 2004, represents the agency's thirty-year anniversary of community service. They are dedicated to assessing the needs of older adults, caregivers, and adults with disabilities and linking them with needed community-based long-term care services. They also coordinate activities with other public and private organizations, giving priority in planning and administering services and programs to those individuals with greatest social and economic need. The Area Agency on Aging 1-B develops new services and programs to address the needs of older adults, caregivers, and adults with disabilities. In addition, they allocate federal and state funding for social, nutritional, and long-term care services, and educate and advocate on issues of concern to older adults, caregivers, and adults with disabilities. The Area Agency on Aging 1-B ensure that older adults, caregivers, and adults with disabilities have access to information regarding available resources and their rights to benefits for which they may be entitled; and

Whereas, The Area Agency on Aging 1-B has been a leader in advocating for public policy changes that will offer Medicaid long-term care consumers a choice of quality care options and support the provision of care in the least restrictive setting; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize the 30th anniversary of the Area Agency on Aging 1-B on May 19, 2004, and its proud service to older adults residing in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, and Washtenaw counties.

Pending the reference of the resolution to a committee,

Rep. Richardville 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.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Tax Policy, by Rep. Wenke, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4357, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 270.

With the recommendation that the substitute (H-3) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Wenke, Sheen, Koetje, Woronchak, Meyer, Drolet, Hummel, Palmer, Nofs and Stakoe

Nays: Reps. O'Neil, Minore, Bieda, Zelenko and Condino

The Committee on Tax Policy, by Rep. Wenke, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5034, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 2a and 34c (MCL 211.2a and 211.34c), section 2a as amended by 1982 PA 539 and section 34c as amended by 2002 PA 620; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

With the recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Wenke, Sheen, Koetje, Meyer, Drolet, Hummel, Palmer, Nofs, O'Neil, Minore, Bieda, Zelenko and Condino

Nays: None

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill was referred to the Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy.

The Committee on Tax Policy, by Rep. Wenke, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5669, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 260 (MCL 206.260), as amended by 1996 PA 484.

With the recommendation that the substitute (H-3) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Wenke, Sheen, Koetje, Woronchak, Meyer, Drolet, Hummel, Palmer, Nofs and Stakoe

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Wenke, Chair, of the Committee on Tax Policy, was received and read: Meeting held on: Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Present: Reps. Wenke, Sheen, Koetje, Woronchak, Meyer, Drolet, Hummel, Palmer, Nofs, Stakoe, O'Neil, Minore, Bieda, Zelenko and Condino

Absent: Reps. Milosch and Farrah Excused: Reps. Milosch and Farrah

The Committee on Energy and Technology, by Rep. Bradstreet, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5798, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 527a (MCL 206.527a), as amended by 2001 PA 169.

With the recommendation that the substitute (H-3) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Bradstreet, Huizenga, Middaugh, Bisbee, LaSata, Casperson, DeRoche, Garfield, LaJoy, Nitz, Palsrok, Stahl, McConico, Rivet, Woodward, Hopgood and Murphy

Navs: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Bradstreet, Chair, of the Committee on Energy and Technology, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Present: Reps. Bradstreet, Huizenga, Middaugh, Bisbee, LaSata, Casperson, DeRoche, Garfield, LaJoy, Nitz, Palsrok, Stahl, McConico, Rivet, Woodward, Hopgood and Murphy

Absent: Reps. Daniels and Stallworth Excused: Reps. Daniels and Stallworth

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 5820, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 626 (MCL 257.626).

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 and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Stakoe, Howell, LaSata, Gaffney, Nofs, Meisner, Condino and Hood

Nays: None

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 912, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 11b of chapter XVII (MCL 777.11b), as added by 2002 PA 31.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Stakoe, Howell, LaSata, Gaffney, Nofs, Meisner, Condino and Hood

Nays: None

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 913, entitled

A bill to amend 1972 PA 222, entitled "An act to provide for an official personal identification card; to provide for its form, issuance and use; to regulate the use and disclosure of information obtained from the card; to prescribe the powers and duties of the secretary of state; to prescribe fees; to prescribe certain penalties for violations; and to provide an appropriation for certain purposes," by amending section 5 (MCL 28.295), as amended by 1984 PA 335.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Stakoe, Howell, LaSata, Gaffney, Nofs, Meisner, Condino and Hood

Nays: None

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 1009, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 218 (MCL 750.218), as amended by 1998 PA 312.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day under the rules.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Stakoe, Howell, LaSata, Gaffney, Nofs, Condino and Hood

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Van Regenmorter, Chair, of the Committee on Criminal Justice, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Present: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Stakoe, Howell, LaSata, Gaffney, Nofs, Meisner, Condino and Hood

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Tabor, Chair, of the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Present: Reps. Tabor, Milosch, Bradstreet, Richardville, Rocca, Nitz, Gillard, Sheltrown and Accavitti

Absent: Reps. Ehardt and Farrah Excused: Reps. Ehardt and Farrah

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Present: Reps. Julian, Hune, Bisbee, Middaugh, Mortimer, Hummel, Garfield, Robertson, Sheen, Daniels, Woodward,

Anderson, Wojno, Hood, Gillard and Condino

Absent: Rep. Ehardt Excused: Rep. Ehardt

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 on Friday, May 14:

Senate Bill Nos. 1193 1194 1195 1196 1197 1198 1199 1200 1201 1202 1203 1204 1205 1206 1207 1208 1209 1210 1211 1212 1213 1214 1215 1216 1217 1218 1219 1220 1221 1222 1223 1224 1225 1226 1227 1228 1229 1230 1231 1232 1233 1234 1235 1236 1237 1238 1239 1240 1241 1242 1243

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Wednesday, May 19:

House Bill Nos. 5912 5913 5914 5915 5916 5917 5918 5919 5920 5921 5922 5923 5924 5925

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Messages from the Senate

House Bill No. 5105, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 529, 529a, and 530 (MCL 750.529, 750.529a, and 750.530), section 529a as added by 1994 PA 191.

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.

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Vagnozzi, Woodward, Hunter, Accavitti, Minore, Clack, Dennis, Tobocman, Condino, O'Neil, Lipsey, Murphy, Gleason, Williams and Gieleghem introduced

House Bill No. 5926, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," (MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 636a. The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Reps. Hoogendyk, Drolet, Steil, Kooiman, Mortimer, Milosch, Sheen, Newell, Shackleton and Pastor introduced House Bill No. 5927, entitled

A bill to authorize the state administrative board to convey certain parcels of state owned property in Wayne county; to prescribe conditions for the conveyance; and to provide for disposition of revenue derived from the conveyance. The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Quorum Call

Rep. Richardville questioned the presence of a quorum and moved that the roll be called and printed in the Journal. The motion prevailed.

The roll was called and the Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The following is the roll call:

Roll Call No. 367

Yeas—105

Accavitti Garfield Meyer Acciavatti Gieleghem Middaugh Gillard Milosch Amos Anderson Gleason Minore Bieda Hardman Moolenaar Bisbee Hart Mortimer Murphy Bradstreet Hood Brandenburg Hoogendyk Newell Brown Hopgood Nitz Byrum Howell Nofs Huizenga O'Neil Casperson Caswell Hummel Palmer Caul Hune Palsrok Cheeks Hunter Pastor Clack Jamnick **Phillips** Johnson, Rick Condino Plakas **Daniels** Johnson, Ruth Pumford

Sheltrown Shulman Smith Spade Stahl Stakoe Stallworth Steil Stewart **Tabor** Taub Tobocman Vagnozzi Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Voorhees

Walker

Dennis Julian Koetie DeRoche **DeRossett** Kolb Drolet Kooiman LaSata Ehardt Elkins Law Sak **Emmons** Lipsev Farhat McConico Farrah Meisner Gaffney

Ward Reeves Waters Richardville Rivet Wenke Whitmer Robertson Rocca Williams Wojno Woodward Shackleton Shaffer Woronchak Sheen Zelenko

In The Chair: Julian

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5859, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending sections 3204 and 3212 (MCL 600.3204 and 600.3212), as amended by 1994 PA 397.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-3) previously recommended by the Committee on Commerce,

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Palmer moved that Reps. LaJoy and Pappageorge be excused from the balance of today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5859, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending sections 3204 and 3212 (MCL 600.3204 and 600.3212), as amended by 1994 PA 397.

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

Roll Call No. 368 Yeas—106

Accavitti Gaffney Meyer Sheltrown Acciavatti Garfield Middaugh Shulman Milosch Adamini Gieleghem Smith Amos Gillard Minore Spade Anderson Gleason Moolenaar Stahl Bieda Hardman Mortimer Stakoe Bisbee Hart Murphy Stallworth Bradstreet Hood Newell Steil Brandenburg Hoogendyk Nitz Stewart Brown Hopgood Nofs **Tabor**

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Byrum Howell Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Johnson, Rick Condino Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian DeRoche Koetje Kolb **DeRossett** Kooiman Drolet LaSata Ehardt Elkins Law Lipsey **Emmons**

O'Neil Palmer Palsrok Pastor **Phillips** Plakas Pumford Reeves Richardville Rivet Robertson Rocca Sak Shackleton Shaffer Sheen

Vander Veen Voorhees Walker Ward Waters Wenke Whitmer Williams Wojno Woodward Woronchak Zelenko

Taub

Tobocman

Vagnozzi

Van Regenmorter

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In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

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Second Reading of Bills

Senate Bill No. 1116, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending section 9 (MCL 208.9), as amended by 2001 PA 230.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Rivet moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 8, line 11, after "deduct" by inserting a comma and "to the extent included in federal taxable income,".

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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

Senate Bill No. 1116, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending section 9 (MCL 208.9), as amended by 2001 PA 230.

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

Roll Call No. 369 Yeas—102

Accavitti Farrah Meyer Sheltrown Acciavatti Gaffney Middaugh Shulman Adamini Garfield Gieleghem Amos Anderson Gillard Bieda Gleason Bisbee Hardman Bradstreet Hart Brandenburg Hoogendyk Brown Hopgood Howell Byrum Casperson Huizenga Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jamnick Condino Johnson, Rick Daniels Johnson, Ruth Dennis Julian DeRoche Koetje Kolb **DeRossett** Drolet Kooiman Ehardt LaSata Elkins Law **Emmons** Lipsey

Milosch Minore Moolenaar Mortimer Murphy Newell Nitz Nofs O'Neil Palmer Palsrok Pastor **Phillips** Pumford Reeves Richardville Rivet Robertson Rocca Sak Shackleton Shaffer Sheen

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Nays—4

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In The Chair: Julian

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Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

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"An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation,"

The House agreed to the full title.

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

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

Rep. Meisner, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Again, to continue to create exemptions in a single business tax that has been exempted to the point of not being able to generate sufficient revenue to meet the most basic needs of state government is ill-advised policy. Until we are able to ascertain the efficacy of tax preferences currently included in the code, adding more is a mistake."

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5809, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 2974.

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

The substitute (H-2) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Koetje moved to amend the bill as follows:

- Amend page 1, line 2, after "marketer," by inserting "promoter,"
 Amend page 1, line 5, after "marketers," by inserting "promoters,".

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

Rep. Koetje moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Amend page 3, following line 8, by inserting:
- "(5) A political subdivision of this state shall not file, prosecute, or join, on its own behalf or on behalf of its citizens or another class of persons, a civil action described in this section for damages or other remedy against a person." and renumbering the remaining subsections.
 - 2. Amend page 3, following line 22, by inserting:
 - "(c) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity.
 - (d) "Political subdivision" means a county, city, township, or village.".

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

Rep. Accavitti moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 3, following line 22, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 4441 of the 92nd Legislature is enacted into law.".

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Condino moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 1, line 8, after "obesity" by inserting a comma and "if it has fully disclosed the ingredients and number of fat grams contained in its food products. The disclosure of ingredients and fat grams is a prerequisite of the immunity granted under this section and does not serve to increase or reduce any existing food related disclosure requirements contained in state or federal law".

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Rivet moved to reconsider the vote by which the House placed the bill on the order of Third Reading of Bills. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members present voting therefor.

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

The motion prevailed.

House Bill No. 5632, entitled

A bill to amend 1993 PA 327, entitled "Tobacco products tax act," by amending sections 7 and 12 (MCL 205.427 and 205.432), as amended by 2002 PA 503.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Julian moved to substitute (H-6) the bill.

The motion did not prevail and the substitute (H-6) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville 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. 5632, entitled

A bill to amend 1993 PA 327, entitled "Tobacco products tax act," by amending sections 7 and 12 (MCL 205.427 and 205.432), as amended by 2002 PA 503.

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 370

Yeas—44

Adamini Gillard Lipsey Shulman Gleason Meisner Anderson Smith Hart Minore Stallworth Bieda Byrum Newell Tabor Hood Caul Hopgood O'Neil Walker Clack Jamnick **Phillips** Waters Johnson, Rick Condino Plakas Whitmer Pumford Dennis Julian Williams Farrah Kolb Richardville Woino Woodward Gaffney Kooiman Sak Zelenko Gieleghem Law Shackleton

Nays—53

Acciavatti Farhat Moolenaar Spade Amos Garfield Mortimer Stahl Bisbee Hoogendyk Nitz Stakoe Bradstreet Howell Nofs Steil Brandenburg Huizenga Palmer Stewart Brown Hummel Palsrok Taub Casperson Hune **Pastor** Vagnozzi Caswell Johnson, Ruth Rivet Van Regenmorter Vander Veen DeRoche Koetje Robertson **DeRossett** LaSata Rocca Voorhees Meyer Shaffer Ward Drolet Middaugh Wenke Ehardt Sheen Milosch Elkins Sheltrown Woronchak **Emmons**

In The Chair: Julian

Rep. Richardville moved to reconsider the vote by which the House did not pass the bill.

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

The question being on the passage of the bill,

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

The motion prevailed.

Second Reading of Bills

The House returned to the consideration of

House Bill No. 5809, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 2974.

(The bill was considered earlier today, see today's Journal p. 1023.)

Rep. Rivet moved to reconsider the vote by which the House did not adopt the amendment offered previously by Rep. Accavitti.

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

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

Rep. Accavitti demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

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

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

Roll Call No. 371

Yeas—46

Accavitti Gieleghem Meisner Smith Adamini Gillard Milosch Spade Stallworth Bieda Gleason Minore Hardman Murphy Brown Tobocman Byrum O'Neil Vagnozzi Hood Cheeks Hopgood **Phillips** Waters Hunter Plakas Whitmer Clack Condino Jamnick Reeves Williams **Daniels** LaSata Rivet Wojno Dennis Law Sak Woodward Elkins Lipsey Sheltrown Zelenko Farrah McConico

Nays-59

Acciavatti Gaffney Moolenaar Shulman Garfield Amos Mortimer Stahl Anderson Hart Newell Stakoe Bisbee Hoogendyk Nitz Steil Howell Nofs Bradstreet Stewart Brandenburg Huizenga Palmer Tabor Hummel Casperson Palsrok Taub Caswell Hune **Pastor** Van Regenmorter Johnson, Rick Pumford Vander Veen Caul DeRoche Johnson, Ruth Richardville Voorhees **DeRossett** Julian Robertson Walker Drolet Koetie Rocca Ward Kooiman Shackleton Ehardt Wenke Shaffer **Emmons** Meyer Woronchak Farhat Middaugh Sheen

In The Chair: Julian

Rep. Rivet moved to reconsider the vote by which the House did not adopt the amendment offered previously by Rep. Condino.

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

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

Rep. Condino demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

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

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

Roll Call No. 372 Yeas—48

Accavitti	Farrah	Lipsey	Sheltrown
Adamini	Gieleghem	McConico	Smith
Anderson	Gillard	Meisner	Spade
Bieda	Gleason	Minore	Stallworth
Brown	Hardman	Murphy	Tobocman
Byrum	Hood	O'Neil	Vagnozzi

Cheeks
Clack
Condino
Daniels
Dennis
Elkins

Hopgood Hunter Jamnick Kolb LaSata Law

Garfield

Phillips Plakas Pumford Reeves Rivet Sak

Waters Whitmer Williams Wojno Woodward Zelenko

Shulman

Stahl

Nays-58

Acciavatti
Amos
Bisbee
Bradstreet
Brandenburg
Casperson
Caswell
Caul
DeRoche
DeRossett
Drolet

Ehardt

Farhat

Gaffney

Emmons

Hart
Hoogendyk
Howell
Huizenga
Hummel
Hune
Johnson, Rick
Johnson, Ruth
Julian
Koetje
Kooiman
Meyer
Middaugh

Moolenaar Mortimer Newell Nitz Nofs Palmer Palsrok Pastor Richardville Robertson Rocca Shackleton Shaffer Sheen

Stakoe Steil Stewart Tabor Taub Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Voorhees

Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Voorhees Walker Ward Wenke Woronchak

In The Chair: Julian

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Milosch

Rep. Waters moved that Rep. Byrum be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Williams moved that Rep. Whitmer be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5809, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding section 2974.

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

Roll Call No. 373 Yeas—65

Acciavatti Garfield Milosch Sheen Amos Gillard Moolenaar Shulman Bisbee Mortimer Spade Hart Newell Bradstreet Hoogendyk Stahl Brandenburg Howell Nitz Stakoe Nofs Brown Huizenga Steil Casperson Hummel Palmer Stewart Caswell Palsrok Hune Taub Johnson, Rick Caul Pastor

Van Regenmorter DeRoche Johnson, Ruth Pumford Vander Veen Julian Richardville Voorhees **DeRossett** Drolet Koetje Robertson Walker Ehardt Kooiman Rocca Ward Elkins LaSata Sak Wenke Shackleton Wojno **Emmons** Meyer Farhat Middaugh Shaffer Woronchak

Gaffney

Nays-38

Accavitti Gieleghem McConico Sheltrown Adamini Gleason Meisner Smith Hardman Minore Anderson Stallworth Bieda Hood Murphy Tobocman Cheeks Hopgood O'Neil Vagnozzi **Phillips** Waters Clack Hunter Williams Condino Jamnick Plakas Daniels Kolb Reeves Woodward Dennis Law Rivet Zelenko Farrah Lipsey

In The Chair: Julian

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Reps. Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Dennis, Hopgood, Law, Vagnozzi and Zelenko, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on House Bill 5809 because the bill is wholly unnecessary. Michigan's products liability laws already block the type of obesity-related cases that the bill seeks to block - No such cases have even been filed in Michigan and only two such cases have been filed nationwide and both were summarily dismissed. It is hard to imagine how we could face a flood of obesity cases under the current law.

Granting immunity protection against liability should be granted rarely, and only on matters where sound public policy reasons support a grant of immunity. This is not such a case. Clearly, the effort is a classic example of a solution in search of a problem and is based more on scoring political points than effecting any meaningful change in the law. What is worse is that the number and nature of the bill's supporters seems to indicate a desire to grant this sort of protection to other industries as well."

Rep. Bieda, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement: "Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Clearly, this bill is a classic example of a solution in search of a problem and is based more on scoring political points than effecting any meaningful or intelligent change in the law. Advocates for consumer protection and legal

authorities overwhelming agree that exemptions to liability should be granted rarely, and only on matters where sound public policy reasons support a grant of immunity. This is not one of those situations. Our state already has a very effective products liability law that blocks the type of obesity-related cases that the bill seeks to block — it should be noted by the members that no such case have been filed in Michigan and ONLY two cases have been filed nationwide and both were summarily dismissed. It is hard to imagine how we could face a flood of obesity cases under the current law, or why a change in the law is even needed. Thus, I voted no on HB 5809 (H-2)."

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Richardville moved that Rule 45 be suspended.

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

Rep. Richardville moved that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from further consideration of **House Bill No. 5527**.

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

The bill was placed on the order of Second Reading of Bills and laid over one day.

Second Reading of Bills

Rep. Richardville moved that Rule 48 be suspended.

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

House Bill No. 5527, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Richardville moved to reconsider the vote by which the House placed the bill on the order of Third Reading of Bills. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Mortimer moved to substitute (H-1) the bill.

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Minore moved that Rep. Jamnick be excused temporarily from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5527, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

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

Roll Call No. 374

Yeas—55

Garfield Shulman Acciavatti Moolenaar Amos Hoogendyk Mortimer Stahl **Bishee** Howell Newell Stakoe Huizenga Bradstreet Nitz Steil Brandenburg Hummel Nofs **Tabor** Casperson Hune Palmer Taub Caswell Palsrok Johnson, Rick DeRoche Johnson, Ruth Pastor

Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Voorhees DeRossett Julian Richardville Drolet Koetie Robertson Walker Ehardt Kooiman Rocca Ward **Emmons** Meyer Shackleton Wenke Middaugh Shaffer Woronchak Farhat

Gaffney Milosch Sheen

Nays-51

Accavitti Farrah Lipsey Smith McConico Adamini Gieleghem Spade Gillard Anderson Meisner Stallworth Gleason Minore Stewart Bieda Hardman Murphy Tobocman Brown O'Neil Vagnozzi **Byrum** Hart Caul Hood **Phillips** Waters Whitmer Cheeks Hopgood Plakas Clack Hunter Pumford Williams Condino Jamnick Reeves Wojno Woodward Daniels Kolb Rivet Dennis LaSata Sak Zelenko

In The Chair: Julian

Elkins

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

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

Law

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies, capital outlay, and the judicial branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

Sheltrown

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

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

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

Rep. Meisner, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

During the course of the last year, this body has been forced to make some very difficult choices. As a result of the structural imbalance in our state budget, we have made cuts that have been very deep and that have had a negative

[&]quot;Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

impact on our citizenry. In response to this crisis, our Governor has put forth a very reasonable proposal to increase the tax on cigarettes that would help resolve this problem. The majority of Michigan residents support the Governor's proposal, as do I. I voted against this bill because it is irresponsible and unnecessary when the Governor's proposal is before us. Cutting is not inherently bad, but cutting to the point that we degrade quality of life in Michigan is contrary to the forward progress of this state."

Reps. Zelenko, Jamnick, Anderson, Kolb, Accavitti and Elkins, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on HB 5527 because the bill made severe cuts in next year's budget in programs of importance to Michigan's citizens. Furthermore the bill was brought before the full House this evening with no discussion on its impact on our state.

The bill will cause \$52 million in cuts to the Medicaid program, an action that will cause 45,000 people to lose Medicaid coverage, seniors and others who are not able to afford medical coverage any other way. This will only serve to increase costs on other parts of the health care system, namely our hospitals and doctors.

It also reduces funding to relative day care providers, an action that will only serve to increase pressure on working families and give them less options for making sure their children are in good care.

Cuts to the Dept. of Transportation will mean fewer less jobs at a time when we can least afford to cut funding to job creation programs. The reduction in funds will mean that key road projects in counties across the state will go unfunded."

Reps. Dennis, Brown, Gillard and Law, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on HB 5527 because the bill makes severe cuts in next year's budget in programs of importance to Michigan's citizens. Furthermore the bill was brought before the full House this evening with no discussion on its impact on our state. It also violates Article 4, Section 31 of the state constitution which makes clear that such a bill cannot be voted on and passed until such time that an actual budget is in place. As of this moment no budget has been enacted for the 2005 fiscal year.

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It also reduces funding to relative day care providers, an action that will only serve to increase pressure on working families and give them fewer options for making sure their children are in good care.

Cuts to the Dept. of Transportation will mean fewer jobs at a time when we can least afford to cut funding to job creation programs. The reduction in funds will mean that key road projects in counties across the state will go unfunded."

Reps. Waters, Adamini, Condino, Bieda, Hunter, Plakas, Phillips, Vagnozzi and O'Neil, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted NO on HB 5527 for the following reasons. First, this so-called 'appropriations bill' was offered disingenuously in the middle of the night, allowing no one time to read it before voting on it. Moreover, it is clearly and embarrassingly unconstitutional.

Article IV, Section 31 of the Michigan Constitution states that 'The general appropriation bills for the succeeding fiscal period covering items set forth in the budget shall be passed or rejected in either house of the legislature before that house passes any appropriation bill for items not in the budget except bills supplementing appropriations for the current fiscal year's operation.'

This provision of the Constitution has been interpreted for the past forty years to mean that the Legislature may not act to subvert the appropriations process in the way it attempted tonight. Attorney General Opinion Number 4292 of 1964 stated as follows: 'Each house of the legislature is required by Section 31, Article IV, Constitution of 1963, by a vote of its members to either pass or reject the governor's general appropriations bills before that house passes any appropriation bill for items not in the budget except bills supplementing appropriations for the current fiscal year's operation.'

The bill makes \$52 million in cuts to the Medicaid program, an action that will cause 45,000 people to lose Medicaid coverage, seniors and others who are not able to afford medical coverage any other way. This will only serve to increase costs on other parts of the health care system, namely our hospitals and doctors.

It also reduces funding to relative day care providers, an action that will only serve to increase pressure on working families and give them fewer options for making sure their children are in good care.

Cuts to the Department of Transportation will mean fewer jobs at a time when we can least afford to cut funding to job creation programs. The reduction in funds will also mean that key road projects in counties across the state will go unfunded."

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

Rep. Farrah moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, the time being 11:35 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Thursday, May 20, at 10:00 a.m.

GARY L. RANDALL Clerk of the House of Representatives