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House Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, May 24, 2005.

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 Angerer—present Ball—present Baxter—present Bennett—present Bieda—present Booher—present Brandenburg—present Brown—present Byrnes—present Byrum—present Casperson—present Caswell—present Caul—present Cheeks—present Clack—present Clemente—present Condino—present Cushingberry—excused DeRoche—present Dillon—present Donigan—present Drolet—present Elsenheimer—present

Emmons—present Espinoza—present Farhat—present Farrah—present Gaffney-present Garfield—present Gillard—present Gleason—present Gonzales—present Gosselin—present Green—present Hansen—present Hildenbrand—present Hood—present Hoogendyk—present Hopgood-present Huizenga—present Hummel—present Hune—present Hunter-present Jones-present Kahn—present Kehrl—present Kolb—present Kooiman—present LaJoy—present Law, David—present Law, Kathleen—present

Lemmons, III—present Lemmons, Jr.—present Lipsey—present Marleau—present Mayes-present McConico—present McDowell—present Meisner-present Meyer—present Miller—present Moolenaar—present Moore—present Mortimer—present Murphy—present Newell—present Nitz-present Nofs—present Palmer—present Palsrok-present Pastor—present Pavlov—present Pearce—present Phillips—present Plakas—present

Polidori—present

Proos—present

Leland—present

Robertson—present Rocca—present Sak-present Schuitmaker—present Shaffer—present Sheen—present Sheltrown—present Smith, Alma—present Smith, Virgil—present Spade—present Stahl-present Stakoe—present Steil-present Stewart—present Taub—present Tobocman—present Vagnozzi-present Van Regenmorter—present Vander Veen-present Walker-present Ward—present Waters—present Wenke—present Whitmer—present Williams-present Wojno—present Zelenko-present

Rep. Roger Kahn, from the 94th District, offered the following invocation:

"Dear Almighty. We band of brothers and sisters, we little band here, come before You asking for Your guidance. We ask You to provide us the compassion and the knowledge as we work on the issues of the people of this great state of Michigan. We ask You to watch over us as we travel from this Capitol to our districts and over the state of Michigan to talk to our people. Help us to have the patience and perseverance and perspective to carry on the work of the House of Representatives and Your work. We ask You to be with us. Be with us as a government, as legislators and as a people as we deal with the challenges presented to us each day. We ask this in Your name, Amen."

Rep. Sak moved that Rep. Cushingberry be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

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 20:

House Bill Nos. 4809 4810 4811 4812 4813 4814 4815 4816 4817 4818 4819 4820 Senate Bill Nos. 512 513 514 515 516 517 518 519 520 522 523 524

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Tuesday, May 24, for her approval of the following bills:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4603 at 10:11 a.m. Enrolled House Bill No. 4142 at 10:13 a.m.

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bill had been received on Tuesday, May 24:

Senate Bill No. 128

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Health Policy, by Rep. Gaffney, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 352, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 17753. Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason and Angerer

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Gaffney, Chair, of the Committee on Health Policy, was received and read: Meeting held on: Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason and Angerer

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4813, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2004 PA 202.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker and Accavitti

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4814, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2004 PA 202.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov and Schuitmaker

Navs: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4815, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2004 PA 202.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov and Schuitmaker

Navs: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4816, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2004 PA 202.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker and Accavitti

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4817, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 3 (MCL 125.2683), as amended by 2000 PA 259.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Murphy, Bennett and Accavitti

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4818, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 8d (MCL 125.2688d), as amended by 2004 PA 202.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov and Schuitmaker

Nays: None

The Committee on Commerce, by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4819, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending section 9 (MCL 125.2689). Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov and Schuitmaker

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Huizenga, Chair, of the Committee on Commerce, was received and read: Meeting held on: Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Present: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Palsrok, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Pavlov, Schuitmaker, Meisner, Murphy, Dillon, Bennett and Accavitti

Absent: Reps. Tobocman and McConico Excused: Reps. Tobocman and McConico

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Rocca, Chair, of the Committee on Regulatory Reform, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Present: Reps. Rocca, Jones, Gaffney, Palsrok, Wojno, McDowell, Virgil Smith and Lemmons, III

Absent: Rep. Van Regenmorter Excused: Rep. Van Regenmorter

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Drolet, Chair, of the Committee on Government Operations, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Present: Reps. Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. LaJoy, Chair, of the Committee on Transportation, was received and read: Meeting held on: Tuesday, May 24, 2005

Present: Reps. LaJoy, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Hood, Gleason and Leland

Absent: Rep. David Law Excused: Rep. David Law

Messages from the Senate

House Bill No. 4528, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 24 of chapter VII (MCL 767.24), as amended by 2004 PA 458.

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

The House agreed to the full title.

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

Senate Bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 295, entitled "Sex offenders registration act," by amending section 10 (MCL 28.730), as amended by 2004 PA 240.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Messages from the Governor

Date: May 19, 2005 Time: 9:55 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4242 (Public Act No. 22, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and

duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," by amending section 2830 (MCL 333.2830), as amended by 1994 PA 242.

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 19, 2005, at 1:17 p.m.)

Date: May 23, 2005 Time: 11:22 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4188 (Public Act No. 24, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of rights and interests, including leasehold interests, in property and the levy and collection of taxes on property, and for the collection of taxes levied; making those taxes a lien on the property taxed, establishing and continuing the lien, providing for the sale or forfeiture and conveyance of property delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the state and not redeemed or purchased; to provide for the establishment of a delinquent tax revolving fund and the borrowing of money by counties and the issuance of notes; to define and limit the jurisdiction of the courts in proceedings in connection with property delinquent for taxes; to limit the time within which actions may be brought; to prescribe certain limitations with respect to rates of taxation; to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain officers, departments, agencies, and political subdivisions of this state; to provide for certain reimbursements of certain expenses incurred by units of local government; to provide penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 51 (MCL 211.51), as amended by 1992 PA 97.

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 23, 2005, at 3:32 p.m.)

Date: May 23, 2005 Time: 11:24 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4454 (Public Act No. 25, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1962 PA 174, entitled "An act to enact the uniform commercial code, relating to certain commercial transactions in or regarding personal property and contracts and other documents concerning them, including sales, commercial paper, bank deposits and collections, letters of credit, bulk transfers, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, other documents of title, investment securities, leases, and secured transactions, including certain sales of accounts, chattel paper and contract rights; to provide for public notice to third parties in certain circumstances; to regulate procedure, evidence and damages in certain court actions involving such transactions, contracts or documents; to make uniform the law with respect thereto; to make an appropriation; to provide penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," by amending section 9311 (MCL 440.9311), as amended by 2001 PA 145.

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 23, 2005, at 3:34 p.m.)

Date: May 23, 2005 Time: 11:28 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4272 (Public Act No. 26, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1915 PA 63, entitled "An act to provide for the furnishing of suitable flag holders and United States flags for the graves of veterans who served in the armed forces of the United States for the marking and designation of the graves for memorial purposes; and to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of the flag holders and United States flags when placed," by amending section 1 (MCL 35.831), as amended by 1988 PA 263.

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 23, 2005, at 3:36 p.m.)

Date: May 23, 2005 Time: 11:30 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4273 (Public Act No. 27, I.E.), being

An act to amend 1915 PA 63, entitled "An act to provide for the furnishing of suitable flag holders and United States flags for the graves of veterans who served in the armed forces of the United States for the marking and designation of the graves for memorial purposes; and to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of the flag holders and United States flags when placed," (MCL 35.831 to 35.833) by adding section 1a.

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 23, 2005, at 3:38 p.m.)

Communications from State Officers

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

May 20, 2005

Enclosed is a copy of the following audit report and/or report summary: Performance audit of the Child Day Care and Child Welfare Licensing Divisions, Office of Children and Adult Licensing, Department of Human Services
May 2005

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

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

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Mortimer, Gaffney, Acciavatti, Vander Veen, Ball, Shaffer, Kahn and Newell introduced **House Bill No. 4821, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 270, entitled "An act to provide for the release of certain information or data relating to health care research or education, health care entities, practitioners, or professions, or certain governmentally funded programs; to limit the liability with respect to the release of certain information or data; and to safeguard the confidential character of certain information or data," by amending section 1 (MCL 331.531), as amended by 2002 PA 600.

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

Reps. Hune, Gaffney, Kahn, Hildenbrand, Elsenheimer, LaJoy, Taub, Garfield, Stahl and Mortimer introduced House Bill No. 4822, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 303 and 322 (MCL 257.303 and 257.322), section 303 as amended by 2004 PA 362 and section 322 as amended by 2001 PA 159.

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

Reps. Brown and Hune introduced

House Bill No. 4823, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled "An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers in certain governmental units of this state; and to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies," by amending sections 8 and 9 (MCL 446.208 and 446.209), section 8 as amended by 2002 PA 469 and section 9 as amended by 2004 PA 585.

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

Reps. Sak, Sheltrown, Plakas, Anderson, Adamini, Brown, Hood, Kathleen Law, Spade, Garfield and Byrnes introduced House Bill No. 4824, entitled

A bill to amend 1941 PA 205, entitled "An act to provide for the construction, establishment, opening, use, discontinuing, vacating, closing, altering, improvement, and maintenance of limited access highways and facilities ancillary to those highways; to permit the acquiring of property and property rights and the closing or other treatment of intersecting roads for these purposes; to provide for the borrowing of money and for the issuing of bonds or notes payable from special funds for the acquisition, construction or improvement of such highways; and to provide for the

receipt and expenditure of funds generated from the facilities," by amending section 2 (MCL 252.52), as amended by 2002 PA 150.

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

Reps. Murphy, Bieda, Taub, Palmer, Byrum, Nitz, Gosselin, Accavitti, Clack, Virgil Smith, Zelenko, Cushingberry, Sak, Waters, Whitmer, Gonzales, Sheltrown, Angerer, Byrnes, McDowell, Kehrl, Donigan, Spade, Polidori, Kathleen Law, Hopgood, Miller, Ward and McConico introduced

House Bill No. 4825, entitled

A bill to amend 1982 PA 249, entitled "An act to establish the state children's trust fund in the department of treasury; and to provide certain powers and duties of the department of treasury with respect to the trust fund," by amending section 1 (MCL 21.171), as amended by 2002 PA 1.

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

Reps. Baxter, Bieda, Taub, Palmer, Byrum, Nitz, Gosselin and Ward introduced

House Bill No. 4826, entitled

A bill to amend 1982 PA 250, entitled "Child abuse and neglect prevention act," by amending section 4 (MCL 722.604). The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Family and Children Services.

Rep. Waters introduced

House Bill No. 4827, entitled

A bill to amend 1941 PA 207, entitled "Fire prevention code," (MCL 29.1 to 29.34) by adding section 21. The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy.

Rep. LaJoy introduced

House Bill No. 4828, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending sections 11, 20, and 22b (MCL 388.1611, 388.1620, and 388.1622b), section 11 as amended by 2004 PA 518 and sections 20 and 22b as amended by 2004 PA 351.

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

Reps. Anderson, Sheltrown, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Whitmer, Hunter, Brown, Gillard, Clack, Sak, Donigan, Byrum, Farrah, Espinoza, Polidori, Alma Smith, Gleason, McDowell, Waters, Zelenko, Williams, Phillips, Meisner, Murphy, Adamini, Plakas, McConico, Bennett, Bieda, Condino, Tobocman, Lipsey, Kolb, Dillon, Cushingberry, Kehrl, Gonzales, Virgil Smith, Accavitti, Lemmons, Jr., Wojno and Lemmons, III introduced

House Joint Resolution K, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 2, 3, and 6 of article IV, to modify congressional and legislative apportionment and districting.

The joint resolution was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on House Oversight, Elections, and Ethics.

Announcements by the Clerk

May 23, 2005

The Honorable Terri Lynn Land Secretary of State Lansing, Michigan

Dear Madam:

Attached is a copy of Enrolled House Bill No. 4065, which was presented to the Governor at 2:40 p.m. on May 9, 2005. The time for approval or veto of this enrolled bill having expired at 2:40 p.m. on May 23, 2005 and no message from the Governor having been received by the House, the bill has, pursuant to the Constitution, become law without her signature.

Respectfully yours, Gary L. Randall, Clerk House of Representatives

(Filed with the Secretary of State May 23, 2005 at 4:03 p.m.) This enrolled act was assigned Public Act No. 23, I.E.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4774, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 20129a (MCL 324.20129a), as amended by 2004 PA 114.

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources, Great Lakes, Land Use, and Environment,

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Pastor moved that Rep. Amos 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. 4446, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 17015 (MCL 333.17015), as amended by 2002 PA 685.

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

Roll Call No. 138 Yeas—69

Acciavatti	Gaffney	Marleau	Rocca
	Garrield		Sak
Angerer		Mayes	
Ball	Gleason	McDowell	Schuitmaker
Baxter	Gosselin	Meyer	Shaffer
Booher	Green	Moolenaar	Sheen
Brandenburg	Hansen	Moore	Sheltrown
Brown	Hildenbrand	Mortimer	Spade
Casperson	Hoogendyk	Newell	Stahl
Caswell	Huizenga	Nitz	Stakoe
Caul	Hummel	Nofs	Steil
Clemente	Hune	Palmer	Taub
DeRoche	Jones	Palsrok	Van Regenmorter
Dillon	Kahn	Pastor	Vander Veen
Drolet	Kehrl	Pavlov	Walker
Elsenheimer	Kooiman	Pearce	Ward
Emmons	LaJoy	Proos	Wenke
Espinoza	Law, David	Robertson	Wojno
Farhat			-

Nays—37

Accavitti	Donigan	Lemmons, Jr.	Smith, Alma
Adamini	Farrah	Lipsey	Smith, Virgil
Anderson	Gonzales	McConico	Stewart
Bennett	Hopgood	Meisner	Tobocman
Bieda	Hunter	Miller	Vagnozzi

Kolb Waters Byrnes Murphy Law, Kathleen **Byrum Phillips** Whitmer Cheeks Leland Plakas Williams Clack Polidori Zelenko Lemmons, III

Condino

In The Chair: Kooiman

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Rep. Tobocman, 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 this bill because I do not believe in mandating health procedures against citizens who are exercising a right guaranteed by our U.S. Constitution. Legislators should leave appropriate medical decisions to individuals and their doctors."

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

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I urge my colleagues to step back for a few minutes and contemplate what HB 4446 really does. Should this bill pass, for the first time the Michigan legislature will mandate the use of a medically unnecessary procedure, conducted on a fully competent patient probably against her will, with no benefit to the public health and general welfare, for the sole purpose of providing yet another image to coerce a pregnant woman from the exercise of her legal right to choose, and establish the surrender of her constitutional right to terminate her pregnancy as the only way to refuse the procedure to be needlessly conducted upon her.

Current law mandates that a health care provider show a woman seeking an abortion 'a medically accurate depiction, illustration or photograph and description' of an embryo at the same gestational age as her own. This bill's ultrasound requirement introduces a compulsory, potentially risky procedure that results in an image which will add no new information. It is even more unreasonable when we understand that 62% of women seeking abortions have already carried at least one pregnancy to full term: they know what a baby is.

According to our Department of Community Health almost 90% of abortions occur in the first twelve weeks of pregnancy. Over half of all abortions take place within the first eight weeks. It is extremely difficult to detect a visible image of an embryo in a normal ultrasound in the first twelve weeks. Producing a useful visual image for the purpose of this legislation will most probably require the invasive and more expensive vaginal ultrasound procedure. With complete disregard for a woman's health, this legislation does not require the provider to reveal the potential immediate or future health risks of an invasive ultrasound procedure.

Given current law and gestational reality, there is no compelling state interest to mandate this medically unnecessary procedure that could under the operation of Section 17015 cost the state conservatively from 3 to 9 million dollars. Despite everything—the irresponsibly, unrevealed risk to her health, the burdensome cost to the pregnant woman that itself may pose an obstacle, the potential cost to the state—this legislation denies a fully competent woman the liberty to refuse a medically unnecessary, potentially risky procedure EXCEPT that she abrogate her legal and constitutional right to choose.

Ladies and gentlemen, when you use the state's superior force to erect substantial obstacles to a woman's legal right THAT is unwarranted interference rising to the level of coercion. And coercion is a violative affront to the existing law. But, because a majority can, this legislature is poised to force a fully competent woman of reproductive age to sustain a probable burdensome and unjustifiable cost for a medically unnecessary procedure so you can 'educate' her in contradiction of her constitutional right and her personally determined best interest. Where does this stop? Probably at the court house door where an overreach of arrogant legislative power can still be checked."

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

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

The legislation does not provide women with more information to make informed decisions, prevent unwanted pregnancies, nor have the best interests of women in mind. This bill unnecessarily increases health care costs, further reducing access to health care for low-income women. Current law already mandates that health care providers show a woman seeking an abortion the image of a fetus at the development stage closest to that of the patient's fetus. Opponents further argue that women should not have to be subjected to invasive medical procedures for political points. Most first trimester ultrasounds are vaginal, which many women consider invasive. In addition, opponents also believe that state legislators should be working to help men and women make responsible choices so abortions are rare through increased funding for family planning, accessible and affordable contraception for everyone, and provide young people comprehensive abstinence-plus education. It is for these reasons I voted no on HB 4446."

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

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted no on HB 4446. This is another attempt to create more barriers to legal health care. The legislation does not provide women with more information to make informed decisions, prevent unwanted pregnancies, nor have the best interests of women in mind. This bill unnecessarily increases health care costs, further reducing access to health care for women. Current law already mandates that health care providers show a woman seeking an abortion the image of a fetus at the development stage closest to that of the patient's fetus. Women should not have to be subjected to invasive medical procedures for political points. Most first trimester ultrasounds are vaginal, which many women consider them invasive. State legislators should be working to help families make responsible choices so abortions are rare. Increased funding for family planning, accessible and affordable contraception for everyone, and education about STD, birth control and abstinence are valuable services which move society away from unwanted pregnancies."

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:

Michigan's Informed Consent for Abortion, enacted in 1993, requires that certain information be made available to a woman seeking an abortion at least 24 hours prior to the procedure. The statute requires both a written summary of the procedure as well as depictions, illustrations or photographs of fetal development corresponding to the gestational age nearest the probable gestational age of the woman's fetus. To these requirements HB 4446 would require that a specific medical procedure (an ultrasound) be conducted for no medical reason other than to provide an opportunity for a woman seeking an abortion to view the ultrasound.

According to the Michigan Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, ultrasounds are not the only type of test used to determine the gestational age of the pregnancy. Thus, HB 4446 specially mandates that a specific test be used—a test for no other reason than to offer the opportunity to a woman to view a the ultrasound images—which are essentially the same photos (although probably not as clear) as those already offered in the informational package mandated under current law. This requirement, however, is not only redundant, but because it mandates that a specific test be performed, it also raises serious constitutional questions.

I supported amendments to this bill, specifically amendments number 5 and 6, the first of which would have avoided constitutional problems by offering the patient the opportunity to view the active ultrasound image when the ultrasound procedure was performed, but the House, unwisely, defeated the amendment.

So too did the House unwisely defeat an amendment which would have provided the patient with information on family planning, including, but not limited to, all methods of contraceptives approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration, abstinence and natural family planning methods. The defeat of this amendment is rather surprising, even ironic, considering that the key witness testifying in committee in support of this bill admitted to having four abortions. It seems entirely reasonable that if this Legislature really wants to prevent abortions, than we should have adopted the amendment that would have greatly assisted women and their partners in making responsible choices. Instead of doing this totally unnecessary legislation, we should be working together on the serious problems of unplanned pregnancies.

For these reasons, I voted no on HB 4446."

House Bill No. 4161, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 305, entitled "Acknowledgment of parentage act," by repealing section 6 (MCL 722.1006). Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 139

Yeas—101

Accavitti **Emmons** Law. Kathleen Proos Acciavatti Espinoza Leland Robertson Farhat Lemmons, III Rocca Adamini Amos Farrah Lemmons, Jr. Sak Gaffney Lipsey Schuitmaker Anderson Angerer Garfield Marleau Shaffer Gillard Ball Mayes Sheen Baxter Gleason McConico Sheltrown Bennett Gonzales McDowell Spade Bieda Gosselin Meyer Stahl Booher Green Miller Stakoe Brandenburg Hansen Moolenaar Steil Hildenbrand Moore Brown Stewart Hoogendyk Mortimer **Byrnes** Taub **Byrum** Hopgood Murphy Vagnozzi Casperson Huizenga Newell Van Regenmorter Caswell Hummel Nitz Vander Veen Caul Hune Nofs Walker Cheeks Jones Palmer Ward Clack Kahn Palsrok Waters Clemente Kehrl Pastor Wenke DeRoche Kolb Pavlov Whitmer Dillon Kooiman Pearce Williams Donigan LaJov Plakas Woino Drolet Law, David Polidori Zelenko Elsenheimer

Nays—6

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In The Chair: Kooiman

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

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

A bill to amend 1996 PA 305, entitled "Acknowledgment of parentage act," by amending sections 6 and 7 (MCL 722.1006 and 722.1007).

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

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

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

House Bill No. 4421, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 1204c (MCL 500.1204c), as amended by 2001 PA 228.

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

Roll Call No. 140 Yeas—109

Accavitti Espinoza Leland Robertson Acciavatti Farhat Lemmons, III Rocca Adamini Farrah Gaffney Amos Anderson Garfield Gillard Angerer Ball Gleason Gonzales Baxter Bennett Gosselin Bieda Green Booher Hansen Brandenburg Hildenbrand Brown Hood **Byrnes** Hoogendyk Byrum Hopgood Huizenga Casperson Caswell Hummel Caul Hune Cheeks Hunter Clack Jones Clemente Kahn Condino Kehrl DeRoche Kolb Dillon Kooiman Donigan LaJoy Drolet Law. David Elsenheimer Law, Kathleen

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Nays—0

In The Chair: Kooiman

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The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Rep. Ward moved that Rep. Marleau be excused temporarily from today's session. The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Messages from the Senate

The Speaker laid before the House

House Bill No. 4008, entitled

A bill to amend 1972 PA 251, entitled "An act to provide for the reciprocal exchange of educational services between this state and other states; to provide for reduced or waived tuition, and to designate the state agency for negotiating agreements," by amending sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 (MCL 390.501, 390.502, 390.503, 390.504, and 390.505).

(The bill was received from the Senate on May 19, with substitute (S-1) and immediate effect given by the Senate, consideration of which, under the rules, was postponed until today, see House Journal No. 44, p. 665.)

The question being on concurring in the substitute (S-1) made to the bill by the Senate,

The substitute (S-1) was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 141

Yeas—108

Law, Kathleen Accavitti **Emmons** Robertson Acciavatti Espinoza Leland Rocca Farhat Adamini Lemmons, III Sak Farrah Lemmons, Jr. Schuitmaker Amos Anderson Gaffney Lipsey Shaffer Garfield Mayes Sheen Angerer Gillard McConico Ball Sheltrown Baxter Gleason McDowell Smith, Alma Smith, Virgil Bennett Gonzales Meisner Bieda Gosselin Meyer Spade Stahl Booher Green Miller Stakoe Brandenburg Hansen Moolenaar Brown Hildenbrand Moore Steil **Byrnes** Hood Mortimer Stewart Byrum Hoogendyk Murphy Taub Casperson Hopgood Newell Tobocman Caswell Huizenga Nitz Vagnozzi Caul Hummel Nofs Van Regenmorter Vander Veen Cheeks Hune Palmer Walker Clack Hunter Palsrok Clemente Jones **Pastor** Ward Condino Kahn Pavlov Waters DeRoche Kehrl Pearce Wenke Dillon Kolb **Phillips** Whitmer Donigan Kooiman Plakas Williams Drolet LaJoy Polidori Wojno Elsenheimer Law, David Zelenko Proos

Nays-0

In The Chair: Kooiman

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

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

Rep. Meyer moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 2:55 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, May 25, at 1:00 p.m.