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12:00 Noon.

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 Agema—present Amos—present Angerer—present Ball—present Bauer—present Bennett—present Bieda—present Booher—present Brandenburg—present Brown—present Byrnes—present Byrum—present Calley—present Casperson—present Caswell—present Caul—present Cheeks-present Clack—excused Clemente—present Condino—present Constan—present Corriveau—present Coulouris—present Cushingberry—e/d/s

Dillon—present Donigan—present Ebli—present Elsenheimer—present Emmons—present Espinoza—present Farrah—present Garfield—excused Gillard—present Gonzales—present Green—present Griffin—present Hammel—present Hammon—present Hansen—present Hildenbrand—present Hood—present Hoogendyk—present Hopgood—present Horn—present Huizenga—present Hune—present Jackson—present Johnson—present Jones, Rick—present Jones, Robert—present Knollenberg—present

Lahti—present LaJoy—present Law, David—present Law, Kathleen—present LeBlanc—present Leland—present Lemmons—excused Lindberg—present Marleau—present Mayes—present McDowell—present Meadows—present Meekhof-present Meisner—present Melton—present Meltzer—present Miller—present Moolenaar—present Moore—present Moss—present Nitz—present Nofs—present Opsommer—present Palmer—present Palsrok—present Pastor—present

Pavlov—present

Pearce—present Polidori—present Proos-present Robertson—present Rocca—present Sak—present Schuitmaker—present Scott—present Shaffer—present Sheen—present Sheltrown—present Simpson—present Smith, Alma—present Smith, Virgil—present Spade—present Stahl—present Stakoe—present Steil—present Tobocman—excused Vagnozzi—present Valentine—present Walker—present Ward—excused Warren—present Wenke—present Wojno—present Young—present

Dean—present

DeRoche—present

Rep. Tom Pearce, from the 73rd District, offered the following invocation:

"There is a story told of a banquet that was held and the guest speaker was an excellent, eloquent speaker who chose as his speech for that night the 23rd Psalm. When he got done giving his speech and the Psalm, he received an overwhelming standing ovation because he had done it so eloquently.

At the end of the banquet there was someone asked to pray and it was an elderly minister from the area. When he got up to pray, he chose to pray the 23rd Psalm. But when he was done praying, no one stood for an ovation. As a matter of fact, no one moved a muscle. It was finally the speaker who had so eloquently spoken earlier who stood up and went to the microphone. He made a statement, 'Ladies and gentleman, clearly I know the 23rd Psalm, but this fine gentleman knows the Shepherd.'

Will You pray with me?

Father, it is my prayer today that we as Your servants would not only know Your word, but more importantly would get to know You.

For it is in understanding You that we receive in our commitments, our convictions and our strengths.

Father, thank You for all that You have done for each and every one of us.

Thank you for the gift of life. May we not take it in a way that is taken lightly.

May we use the gifts, the life, and the talents that You have placed with us and may we use them for Your honor and Your glory today.

In Jesus' name. Amen."

Rep. Calley moved that Reps. Garfield and Ward be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Angerer moved that Reps. Clack, Lemmons and Tobocman be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5936, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 720, 723, 724, 728, and 734 (MCL 339.720, 339.723, 339.724, 339.728, and 339.734), sections 720 and 724 as added by 1997 PA 10, sections 723 and 734 as amended by 2005 PA 278, and section 728 as amended by 2000 PA 334, and by adding sections 727a and 734a.

The bill was read a second time.

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Meekhof moved that Rep. Sheen 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. 5936, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending sections 720, 723, 724, 728, and 734 (MCL 339.720, 339.723, 339.724, 339.728, and 339.734), sections 720 and 724 as added by 1997 PA 10, sections 723 and 734 as amended by 2005 PA 278, and section 728 as amended by 2000 PA 334, and by adding sections 727a and 734a.

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

Roll Call No. 319

Yeas—103

Accavitti Dillon Knollenberg Pavlov Acciavatti Donigan Lahti Pearce Agema Ebli LaJoy Polidori Amos Elsenheimer Law, David Proos Law, Kathleen Angerer **Emmons** Robertson Espinoza Ball LeBlanc Rocca Farrah Leland Bauer Sak Schuitmaker Bennett Gaffney Lindberg Gillard Bieda Marleau Scott Gonzales Mayes Shaffer Booher Green McDowell Brandenburg Sheltrown Griffin Meadows Brown Simpson Meekhof **Byrnes** Hammel Smith, Alma **Byrum** Hammon Meisner Smith, Virgil Calley Hansen Melton Spade Casperson Hildenbrand Meltzer Stahl Caswell Hood Miller Stakoe Caul Hoogendyk Moolenaar Steil Hopgood Cheeks Moore Vagnozzi Valentine Clemente Horn Moss Condino Huizenga Nitz Walker Warren Constan Hune Nofs Wenke Corriveau Jackson Opsommer Palmer Wojno Coulouris Johnson Dean Jones, Rick **Palsrok** Young DeRoche Jones, Robert Pastor

Nays—0

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Angerer 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. 5983, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 40107a (MCL 324.40107a), as amended by 2003 PA 242.

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

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

Rep. Ebli moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, following line 24, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 5697 of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.".

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

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

The motion prevailed.

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

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

Rep. Cushingberry entered the House Chambers.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 5983, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 40107a (MCL 324.40107a), as amended by 2003 PA 242.

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

Roll Call No. 320

Yeas—104

Accavitti DeRoche Jones, Robert Pastor Acciavatti Dillon Knollenberg Pavlov Pearce Agema Donigan Lahti Ebli LaJoy Polidori Amos Elsenheimer Law, David Proos Angerer Ball Law, Kathleen **Emmons** Robertson LeBlanc Rocca Bauer Espinoza Bennett Farrah Leland Sak Gaffney Lindberg Schuitmaker Bieda Booher Gillard Marleau Scott Brandenburg Gonzales Mayes Shaffer Brown Green McDowell Sheltrown **Byrnes** Griffin Meadows Simpson Byrum Hammel Meekhof Smith, Alma Calley Hammon Meisner Smith, Virgil Casperson Hansen Melton Spade Caswell Hildenbrand Meltzer Stahl Caul Hood Miller Stakoe Moolenaar Cheeks Hoogendyk Steil Clemente Hopgood Moore Vagnozzi Condino Valentine Horn Moss Walker Constan Huizenga Nitz Warren Corriveau Hune Nofs Wenke Coulouris Jackson Opsommer Cushingberry Johnson Palmer Wojno Jones, Rick Young Dean Palsrok

Navs—0

In The Chair: Sak

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Reps. Angerer, Bieda, Byrum, Constan, Espinoza, Farrah, Gonzales, Hammon, Hildenbrand, Hopgood, Horn, Huizenga, Hune, Johnson, Robert Jones, Kathleen Law, Leland, Mayes, Meadows, Meisner, Moolenaar, Pearce, Polidori, Sak, Sheltrown, Spade and Vagnozzi were named co-sponsors of the bill.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Messages from the Senate

The Speaker laid before the House

Senate Bill No. 511, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, adjust, and consolidate appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the judicial branch, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008; to provide for certain conditions on appropriations; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

(The bill was received from the Senate on March 20, with substitute (S-2) to the House substitute (H-3) and title amendment by the Senate, consideration of which, under the rules, was postponed until April 8, see House Journal No. 29, p. 637.)

The question being on concurring in the substitute (S-2) to the House substitute (H-3) made to the bill by the Senate,

Rep. Hood moved to substitute (H-9) the Senate substitute (S-2).

The motion prevailed and the substitute (H-9) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

The question being on concurring in the substitute (S-2) to the House substitute (H-3) made to the bill by the Senate,

Rep. Ebli moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 22, line 8, after "College - " by striking out "middle college technology" and inserting "career technology".

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

The question being on concurring in the substitute (S-2) to the House substitute (H-3) made to the bill by the Senate,

Rep. Proos moved to substitute (H-11) the Senate substitute (S-2).

The motion did not prevail and the substitute (H-11) was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

The question being on concurring in the substitute (S-2) to the House substitute (H-3) made to the bill by the Senate, The substitute (S-2), as substituted (H-9), was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 321

Yeas—58

Accavitti	Cushingberry	Jackson	Polidori
Angerer	Dean	Johnson	Rocca
Bauer	Dillon	Jones, Robert	Sak
Bennett	Donigan	Lahti	Scott
Bieda	Ebli	Law, Kathleen	Sheltrown
Brown	Emmons	LeBlanc	Simpson
Byrnes	Espinoza	Leland	Smith, Alma
Byrum	Farrah	Lindberg	Smith, Virgil
Caul	Gillard	Mayes	Spade
Cheeks	Gonzales	McDowell	Vagnozzi
Clemente	Griffin	Meadows	Valentine
Condino	Hammel	Meisner	Warren
Constan	Hammon	Melton	Wojno
Corriveau	Hood	Miller	Young
Coulouris	Hopgood		

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Acciavatti	Hansen	Meltzer	Pearce
Agema	Hildenbrand	Moolenaar	Proos
Ball	Hoogendyk	Moore	Robertson
Booher	Horn	Moss	Schuitmaker

Brandenburg Huizenga Nitz Shaffer Calley Hune Nofs Sheen Casperson Jones, Rick Opsommer Stahl Caswell Knollenberg Palmer Stakoe DeRoche LaJoy Palsrok Steil Elsenheimer Law, David Pastor Walker Gaffney Marleau Pavlov Wenke Green Meekhof

In The Chair: Sak

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

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

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies, capital outlay, the legislative branch, and the judicial branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

Rep. Agema, having reserved the right to explain his nay vote, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Once again we are denied due process of law by not allowing votes on the bill presented, but rather being forced to vote on the one suddenly substituted at the last minute. I refuse to vote yes on a substitute budget busting bill. This substitute jeopardizes needed Federal funds for airports, DNR etc. and a possible loss of \$163 million in Federal dollars."

Rep. Sheen, having reserved the right to explain his nay vote, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

The Republicans were not allowed a roll call vote on their substitute and the SB 511 was not made available until one minute before the vote. No one had a chance to read it and the legislative process was once again corrupted. This is not how representative government is suppose to function and another example of the present legislature's dysfunction."

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Angerer moved to suspend that portion of Rule 41 requiring bills to be handed to the Clerk three hours prior to calling the House to order.

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

Rep. Angerer moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Tuesday, April 29, at 1:30 p.m. The motion prevailed.

Reps. Vagnozzi, Accavitti, Bieda, Clack, Constan, Dean, Griffin, Hammel, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Meadows, Miller, Polidori, Shaffer, Sheltrown, Spade, Stahl, Tobocman, Warren, Cushingberry, Robert Jones, Lahti, Marleau and Knollenberg offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 333.

A resolution proclaiming May 10, 2008, as Human Rights Relay Day in Michigan.

Whereas, The Chinese Communist regime has been granted the honor of hosting the 2008 Olympics in Beijing with the provision that the nation improve its treatment of Chinese citizens; and

Whereas, Human rights violations have increased in China since this honor was granted; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime imprisons millions of Christians, Tibetan Buddhists, Uyghur Muslims, Falun Gong, democracy advocates, labor organizers, lawyers, journalists, environmental activists, political dissidents and other innocent citizens in slave labor camps without trial; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime illegally harvests vital body organs for sale without consent from Falun Gong prisons of conscience; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime continues to occupy Tibet and attempts to erase the cultures of Tibetans and Muslim Uyghurs; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime forces women to get abortions, even in the third trimester, to enforce the "One Child per Family" rule; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime supports the dictatorships in Sudan, Burma, Zimbabwe and North Korea in perpetuating slaughter upon their citizens; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime prohibits freedom of religion and those who practice their faith and beliefs in "underground churches" are arrested, imprisoned and persecuted; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime prohibits freedom of speech, controls the population with private and public surveillance and censors information on the Internet; and

Whereas, The Chinese regime prohibits freedom of the press and imprisons more journalists and reporters than any country in the world; and

Whereas, The Olympic Charter calls for the Games to represent "respect for universal fundamental ethical principles" and "the harmonious development of man, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity." It states that: "Any form of discrimination with regard to a country or a person on grounds of race, religion, politics, gender or other reason is inconsistent with membership in the Olympic Movement"; and

Whereas, The Human Rights Torch Relay is an international campaign that seeks to bring an end to all human rights abuses by the Chinese Communist regime, to re-establishing the mandate of the Olympic Charter and to preserving the true Olympic spirit; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body now proclaim May 10, 2008 as Human Rights Relay Day in Michigan. We declare our support for the Human Rights Torch Relay campaign.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Investigations.

Reps. Accavitti, Ball, Bieda, Brown, Constan, Dean, Gillard, Gonzales, Green, Hammel, Hammon, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Hopgood, Robert Jones, Lahti, Mayes, Meadows, Miller, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi and Ward offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 335.

A resolution proclaiming May 2008 as Michigan Safe Digging Month.

Whereas, The month of May is typically the time when the weather warms up and outside construction activities begin; and

Whereas, Construction activity can lead to dig-in damages to underground facilities, such as natural gas, electric, cable, telephone, fiber optic, water and sewer lines and pipes located under the ground's surface. These incidents have resulted in the loss of property and even serious injury to Michigan's citizens. In Michigan annually there are about 10,000 recorded incidents of damage to underground facilities; and

Whereas, Michigan's two major gas and electric utilities, Consumers Energy and DTE Energy, along with MISS DIG System, Inc., are again partnering this year to educate utility customers and the general public about safe digging and the new Call 811 toll-free national call-before-you-dig phone number. Designated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and officially launched nationwide in 2007, 811 provides potential excavators and homeowners a simple number to reach their local One Call Center and request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and

Whereas, Through continued education of safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money, keeping Michigan safe and connected, by making a simple call to 811 at least three business days in advance of any digging project; waiting the required amount of time; respecting the marked lines by maintaining visual definition throughout the course of the excavation; and finally, digging with care around the marks; and

Whereas, These excavation projects can be as simple as planting a tree, installing a mailbox post or deck, or as complex as erecting an office building, residential home, and making major road repairs. Michigan Safe Digging Month is designed to encourage contractors and the general public to call 811 before digging; and

Whereas, All involved parties agree that safe digging is a shared responsibility. To know what is below, call 811 before you dig. Safe digging is no accident; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body proclaim May 2008 as Michigan Safe Digging Month.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

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 Thursday, April 24:

House Bill Nos. 6005 6006 6007 6008

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bills had been received on Thursday, April 24:

Senate Bill Nos. 108 1201 1234 1265 1266 1267 1268 1269 1270

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Insurance, by Rep. Virgil Smith, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4998, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3149.

With the recommendation that the following amendments be adopted and that the bill then pass.

- 1. Amend page 1, line 2, after "ACT" by striking out the balance of the line through "ACT" on line 3.
- 2. Amend page 2, line 10, after "INSURER" by striking out the balance of the line through "REPRESENTATIVES" on line 11.

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Polidori, Scott, Simpson and Wojno

Nays: Reps. Hune, Emmons and Hildenbrand

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Virgil Smith, Chair, of the Committee on Insurance, was received and read: Meeting held on: Thursday, April 24, 2008

Present: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Emmons, Hildenbrand, Moore, Rocca and Gaffney

Absent: Reps. Lemmons and David Law Excused: Reps. Lemmons and David Law

Messages from the Senate

Senate Bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to amend 2002 PA 48, entitled "Metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight act," by amending section 13 (MCL 484.3113).

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1201, entitled

A bill to allow certain active duty service members to terminate contracts with wireless telecommunications providers; to provide for the rights and responsibilities of the parties to those terminated contracts; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officials; to prescribe civil sanctions and provide remedies; and to provide for the disposition of civil fines.

The Senate has passed the bill.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

Senate Bill No. 1234, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 80108a.

The Senate has passed the bill.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources.

Senate Bill No. 1265, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," (MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601) by adding section 432.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1266, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," (MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601) by adding section 432a.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1267, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," (MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601) by adding section 432b.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1268, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," (MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601) by adding section 432c.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1269, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," (MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601) by adding section 432d.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill No. 1270, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 24, entitled "Michigan economic growth authority act," by amending section 6 (MCL 207.806), as amended by 2007 PA 150.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Notices

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 1049**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **Senate Bill No. 1059**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4613**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 5664**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 5650**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4651**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4652**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4653**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4654**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4655**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4656**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of **House Bill No. 4660**.

Rep. Tobocman

I hereby give notice that on the next legislative session day I will move to discharge the Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs from further consideration of **House Bill No. 5507**.

Rep. Hoogendyk

Pursuant to Rule 41, the Speaker has made the following reassignment: **Senate Bill No. 1233** referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Explanation of "No" Votes

Rep. Stahl, having reserved the right to explain his protest against the passage of **House Bill No. 5221**, made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

No Vote Explanation

Capital Outlay budget (HB 5221)

There are many projects in this budget that I support. Funding for our public colleges and universities is vital, and we must pass a reasonable budget so that we can secure federal funding for airport projects across the state.

However, there is absolutely no way I am going to support wasteful pork barrel spending.

Last year the Democrats raised taxes by \$1.4 billion, and now they want to spend \$2 billion more that we can't afford.

Furthermore, paying for these projects may require us to have to raise the bond cap. Interest on these projects will cost us an additional \$80 million a year for the next 15 to 20 years in interest costs alone.

For these reasons, I cannot support this bill at this time."

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Opsommer, Nitz, Ball, LaJoy and Brown introduced

House Bill No. 6009, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled "The management and budget act," by amending sections 112, 115, 213, 305, and 404 (MCL 18.1112, 18.1115, 18.1213, 18.1305, and 18.1404), sections 115, 305, and 404 as amended by 1999 PA 8 and section 213 as amended by 2006 PA 269, and by adding sections 241c and 255.

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

Reps. Sak, Bieda, Condino, Brandenburg, Farrah, Steil, Agema, Moore, Rocca, Accavitti, Ward, Hune, Schuitmaker, Huizenga, Spade, Knollenberg, Stakoe, Shaffer, Rick Jones, Pastor, Caul, Meltzer, Meekhof, Calley, Palmer, Gaffney, Meadows, Emmons, DeRoche and Leland introduced

House Bill No. 6010, entitled

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled "Michigan business tax act," by amending section 111 (MCL 208.1111), as amended by 2007 PA 207.

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

Reps. Sheen, Steil, Rick Jones, Pearce, Agema, Hoogendyk, Green, Shaffer, Stahl, Sak and Dean introduced House Bill No. 6011, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 698 (MCL 257.698), as amended by 1998 PA 247.

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

Reps. Young, Cushingberry and Miller introduced

House Bill No. 6012, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 2111 (MCL 500.2111), as amended by 2002 PA 492 and by adding section 2004.

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

Reps. Young, Cushingberry, Hammel and Miller introduced

House Bill No. 6013, entitled

A bill to amend 2006 PA 491, entitled "Michigan works one-stop service center system act," by amending section 13 (MCL 408.123).

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

Reps. Hammon, Sheltrown, Constan, Hammel, Johnson, Robert Jones, Jackson, Meadows, Coulouris, Polidori, Gonzales, Vagnozzi and Miller introduced

House Bill No. 6014, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 80205 and 80215 (MCL 324.80205 and 324.80215), section 80205 as amended by 2007 PA 8 and section 80215 as added by 2000 PA 229; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources.

Rep. Stakoe introduced

House Bill No. 6015, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending sections 10, 11, and 12 of chapter IX (MCL 769.10, 769.11, and 769.12), as amended by 2006 PA 655.

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

Rep. Meltzer introduced

House Bill No. 6016, entitled

A bill to amend 1982 PA 162, entitled "Nonprofit corporation act," by amending section 1137 (MCL 450.3137), as added by 1984 PA 209.

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

Reps. Meisner, Condino and Johnson introduced

House Bill No. 6017, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 350, entitled "An act to regulate and license second hand dealers and junk dealers; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act," by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 (MCL 445.401, 445.402, 445.403, 445.404, 445.405, 445.407, and 445.408), sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 as amended by 2006 PA 675.

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

Reps. Steil, Sheen, Stahl, Rick Jones, Meekhof, Green and Wenke introduced

House Bill No. 6018, 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.

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

Reps. Warren, Alma Smith, Robert Jones and Constan introduced

House Bill No. 6019, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 21771 (MCL 333.21771).

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Senior Health, Security, and Retirement.

Reps. Miller, Kathleen Law, Meadows, Accavitti and Vagnozzi introduced

House Bill No. 6020, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending sections 78a, 78e, 78f, and 78g (MCL 211.78a, 211.78e, 211.78f, and 211.78g), sections 78a and 78e as added by 1999 PA 123 and sections 78f and 78g as amended by 2003 PA 263.

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

Rep. McDowell introduced

House Bill No. 6021, entitled

A bill to authorize the removal, capture, or lethal control of a gray wolf that is killing, wounding, or biting a dog under certain circumstances; and to promulgate rules.

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

Reps. Valentine, Condino, Donigan and Bauer introduced

House Bill No. 6022, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending section 356a (MCL 750.356a), as amended by 1998 PA 311.

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

Reps. Miller, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Tobocman, Meadows, Gonzales and Cushingberry introduced **House Joint Resolution AAA, entitled**

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 7 of article IX, to provide for a graduated state income tax.

The joint resolution was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

Rep. Kathleen Law moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, the time being 1:55 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 29, at 1:30 p.m.

RICHARD J. BROWN Clerk of the House of Representatives