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12:00 Noon.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

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

Abed—present	Genetski—present	Lauwers—present	Roberts—present
Ananich—present	Glardon—present	LaVoy—present	Robinson—present
Banks—present	Goike—present	Leonard—present	Rogers—present
Barnett—present	Graves—present	Lipton—present	Rutledge—present
Bolger—present	Greimel—present	Lori—present	Santana—present
Brinks—present	Haines—present	Lund—present	Schmidt—present
Brown—present	Haugh—present	Lyons—present	Schor—present
Brunner—present	Haveman—present	MacGregor—present	Segal—present
Bumstead—present	Heise—present	MacMaster—present	Shirkey—present
Callton—present	Hobbs—present	McBroom—present	Singh—present
Cavanagh—present	Hooker—present	McCann—present	Slavens—present
Clemente—present	Hovey-Wright—present	McCready—present	Smiley—present
Cochran—present	Howrylak—present	McMillin—present	Somerville—present
Cotter—present	Irwin—present	Muxlow—present	Stallworth—present
Crawford—present	Jacobsen—present	Nathan—excused	Stamas—present
Daley—present	Jenkins—present	Nesbitt—present	Stanley—present
Darany—present	Johnson—present	O'Brien—present	Switalski—present
Denby—present	Kandrevas—present	Oakes—present	Talabi—present
Dianda—present	Kelly—present	Olumba—e/d/s	Tlaib—present
Dillon—present	Kesto—present	Outman—present	Townsend—present
Driskell—present	Kivela—present	Pagel—present	VerHeulen—present
Durhal—present	Knezek—present	Pettalia—present	Victory—present
Faris—present	Kosowski—present	Poleski—present	Walsh—present
Farrington—present	Kowall—present	Potvin—present	Yanez—present
Forlini—present	Kurtz—present	Price—present	Yonker—present
Foster—present	LaFontaine—present	Pscholka—present	Zemke—present
Franz—present	Lamonte—present	Rendon—present	Zorn—present
Geiss—present	Lane—present		

Rep. Joe Haveman, from the 90th District, offered the following invocation:

"Almighty God, thank Thee for the job of this day. May we find gladness in all its toil and difficulty, its pleasure and success, and even in its failure and sorrow. We would look always away from ourselves, and behold the glory and the need of the world that we may have the will and the strength to bring the gift of gladness to others; that with them we stand to bear the burden and heat of the day and offer Thee the praise of work well done. Amen."

Rep. Hobbs moved that Rep. Nathan be excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. VerHeulen, Barnett, Brown, Darany, Geiss, Haines, Heise, Howrylak, Lori, Poleski and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 50.

A resolution to declare March 25-29, 2013, as Graduate Education Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, A graduate education attracts students from across the nation and world to Michigan universities for advanced training; and

Whereas, In graduate certificate, masters, specialist, and doctoral programs across the state, graduate educators are providing access to cutting edge knowledge and analytic skills essential to ensuring that Michigan workers are among the most productive, creative, and innovative in the world; and

Whereas, Graduate students make vital contributions to the teaching and research that underpins our new knowledge-based economy and supports community engagement while serving as teaching and research assistants; and

Whereas, Michigan graduate students continue to change the way we fuel Michigan's economy by stimulating entrepreneurship, improving the quality of life, researching renewable energy sources, water quality, new technologies, agricultural productivity, transportation enhancements, sustainability, management of natural resources, disease prevention, medical innovations, healthcare delivery mechanisms, unique health care issues for children, and the elderly; and

Whereas, Michigan teachers and faculty with advanced degrees are creating learning environments that assist Michigan's children, young adults, and lifetime learners to become more productive and informed citizens who are able to meet Michigan's workforce needs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 25-29, 2013, as Graduate Education Week in the state of Michigan.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Talabi, Durhal, Rutledge, Barnett, Lipton, Banks, Zemke, Kandrevas, Slavens, Segal, Stanley, Cochran, Driskell, Dianda, Ananich, Brunner, Stallworth, Singh, Irwin, Nathan, Clemente, Hovey-Wright, Santana, Oakes and Darany offered the following concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

A concurrent resolution to memorialize Congress to expand the use of Food Assistance Program dollars to include personal hygiene products and home cleaning supplies.

Whereas, The Supplemental Food and Nutrition Program (SNAP) provides low-income households throughout the country with access to nutritious food. However, these households, like everyone, also have a great need for personal hygiene products and home cleaning supplies that are prohibited from being purchased with the food assistance program's Electronic Benefits Transfer Card (EBT); and

Whereas, Personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies are important staples in every household. They are a necessary part of the preparation for attending school, going to work, and looking for work. Such items are basic necessities for daily living and should be regarded as an allowable purchase with food assistance benefits; and

Whereas, Michigan's decision to retroactively end cash assistance after 48 months, has resulted in the loss of financial resources for thousands of poor and disenfranchised recipients, and adds yet another challenge to their already precarious lives. Many will lose the purchasing power for such basic home sanitation and personal hygiene needs that most of us take for granted. Expansion of SNAP benefits to include such purchases would provide much needed help. Without these products, health problems may occur that could cause additional costs and hardships for the family; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we memorialized Congress to expand the Supplemental Food Assistance Program (SNAP) to include personal hygiene products and home cleaning supplies beginning with the current SNAP authorization; and be it further

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

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

The Speaker called Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Cotter to the Chair.

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4094, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 40109a.

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

Lamonte

Roll Call No. 22 Yeas—108

Abed Geiss Ananich Genetski Banks Glardon Barnett Goike Bolger Graves **Brinks** Greimel Haines Brown Haugh Brunner Bumstead Haveman Callton Heise Cavanagh Hobbs Clemente Hooker Cochran Hovey-Wright Howrylak Cotter Irwin Crawford Daley Jacobsen Darany Jenkins Denby Johnson Dianda Kandrevas Dillon Kelly Driskell Kesto Durhal Kivela Faris Knezek Farrington Kosowski Forlini Kowall Foster Kurtz Franz

Lane Lauwers LaVoy Leonard Lipton Lori Lund Lyons MacGregor MacMaster McBroom McCann McCready McMillin Muxlow Nesbitt O'Brien Oakes Outman Pagel Pettalia Poleski Potvin Price Pscholka LaFontaine Rendon

Roberts Robinson Rogers Rutledge Santana Schmidt Schor Segal Shirkey Singh Slavens Smiley Somerville Stallworth Stamas Stanley Switalski Talabi Tlaib Townsend VerHeulen Victory Walsh Yanez Yonker Zemke Zorn

Nays—0

In The Chair: Cotter

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

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

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

Senate Bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend 2000 PA 274, entitled "Large carnivore act," by amending sections 2 and 22 (MCL 287.1102 and 287.1122).

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

Roll Call No. 23 Yeas—56

Bolger	Genetski	Lori	Potvin
Brown	Glardon	Lund	Price
Brunner	Goike	Lyons	Pscholka
Bumstead	Graves	MacGregor	Rendon
Cotter	Haveman	MacMaster	Rogers
Daley	Hooker	McBroom	Schmidt
Denby	Jenkins	McMillin	Shirkey
Dianda	Johnson	Muxlow	Somerville
Dillon	Kelly	Nesbitt	Stamas
Farrington	Kivela	O'Brien	VerHeulen
Forlini	Kurtz	Outman	Victory
Foster	LaFontaine	Pagel	Walsh
Franz	Lauwers	Pettalia	Yonker
Geiss	Leonard	Poleski	Zorn

Nays—52

Abed	Faris	Kosowski	Schor
Ananich	Greimel	Kowall	Segal
Banks	Haines	Lamonte	Singh
Barnett	Haugh	Lane	Slavens
Brinks	Heise	LaVoy	Smiley
Callton	Hobbs	Lipton	Stallworth
Cavanagh	Hovey-Wright	McCann	Stanley
Clemente	Howrylak	McCready	Switalski
Cochran	Irwin	Oakes	Talabi
Crawford	Jacobsen	Roberts	Tlaib
Darany	Kandrevas	Robinson	Townsend
Driskell	Kesto	Rutledge	Yanez
Durhal	Knezek	Santana	Zemke

In The Chair: Cotter

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

"An act to regulate the ownership, possession, and care of certain large carnivores; to prohibit the ownership and possession of certain large carnivores; to impose fees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain governmental entities and officials and of certain veterinarians; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies,"

Rendon

Roberts

Rogers Rutledge

Santana

Schmidt

Schor

Segal

Singh

Shirkey

Slavens

Smiley

The House agreed to the full title.

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

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

Rep. Schor, 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:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. As you might know, there is a zoo in Lansing called the Potter Park Zoo, which is one of only four AZA-certified zoos in Michigan.

I met with them recently, and they raised objections to this bill which I thought appropriate to share with this body. They are joined in these objections by the Detroit Zoo and Binder Park Zoo.

Allowing the handling of small bears can result in serious health and safety issues for Michigan residents. It is extremely stressful for bear cubs to be prematurely removed from their mothers - a common practice to facilitate public handling. This stress can cause them to lash out at whoever is being pictured with them which is why this practice is currently illegal.

Keep in mind that that a healthy, nine-month-old bear cub can weigh 65 pounds, and this bill allows the bear cubs being handled to be at least 90 pounds.

I understand that this bill is just for one ranch. So let's look at that ranch. Governor Snyder's Department of Natural Resources just 5 months ago cited this ranch with several violations of law. They include:

- illegally breeding bears on three different occasions
- Illegally purchasing and receiving bear cubs on 11 different occasions
- Not having locked animal enclosures
- Not notifying visitors that there are dangerous large carnivores on the property
- not microchipping the bears

So this bill will make it illegal for that ranch, with all those serious violations, to be made legal.

Supporters would say that this bill creates jobs. I want to help create jobs just like anyone else, but not while putting our residents, especially our youth, at risk."

Rep. Olumba entered the House Chambers.

House Bill No. 4050, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 204, entitled "The children's ombudsman act," by amending sections 5a, 6, 7, 8, and 9 (MCL 722.925a, 722.926, 722.927, 722.928, and 722.929), section 5a as added and sections 6, 7, 8, and 9 as amended by 2004 PA 560.

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

Roll Call No. 24 Yeas—108

Abed Geiss Lamonte Ananich Genetski Lane Glardon Banks Lauwers Barnett Goike LaVoy Bolger Graves Leonard Brinks Greimel Lipton Brown Haines Lori Haugh Brunner Lund Bumstead Haveman Lyons Callton Heise MacGregor Hobbs Cavanagh MacMaster Clemente Hooker McBroom

Cochran Hovey-Wright McCann Cotter Howrylak McCready Crawford Irwin McMillin Daley Jacobsen Muxlow Darany **Jenkins** Nesbitt Denby Johnson O'Brien Dianda Kandrevas Oakes Dillon Kelly Olumba Driskell Kesto Outman Durhal Kivela Pagel Faris Knezek Pettalia Farrington Kosowski Poleski Forlini Kowall Potvin Foster Kurtz Price Franz LaFontaine Pscholka

Somerville Stallworth Stamas Stanley Switalski Talabi Tlaib Townsend VerHeulen Victory Walsh Yanez Yonker Zemke Zorn

Nays-1

Robinson

In The Chair: Cotter

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

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

A bill to amend 1994 PA 204, entitled "The children's ombudsman act," by amending sections 5a, 6, 7, 8, and 9 (MCL 722.925a, 722.926, 722.927, 722.928, and 722.929), section 5a as added and sections 6, 7, 8, and 9 as amended by 2004 PA 560; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

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

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

House Bill No. 4080, entitled

A bill to authorize the state administrative board to convey certain parcels of state-owned property in Chippewa county; to prescribe conditions for the conveyance; and to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state departments in regard to the property.

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

Roll Call No. 25 Yeas—108

Geiss Abed Lamonte Rendon Ananich Genetski Lane Roberts Banks Glardon Lauwers Rogers Rutledge Barnett Goike LaVoy Graves Leonard Santana Bolger **Brinks** Schmidt Greimel Lipton Brown Haines Lori Schor Brunner Haugh Lund Segal Haveman Lvons Shirkey Bumstead Callton Heise MacGregor Singh MacMaster Cavanagh Hobbs Slavens

Clemente Hooker McBroom Cochran Hovey-Wright McCann Cotter Howrylak McCready Crawford Irwin McMillin Daley Jacobsen Muxlow Darany **Jenkins** Nesbitt Denby Johnson O'Brien Dianda Kandrevas Oakes Dillon Kelly Olumba Driskell Kesto Outman Durhal Kivela Pagel Faris Knezek Pettalia Farrington Kosowski Poleski Forlini Kowall Potvin Foster Kurtz Price Franz LaFontaine Pscholka

Smiley Somerville Stallworth Stamas Stanley Switalski Talabi Tlaib Townsend VerHeulen Victory Walsh Yanez Yonker Zemke Zorn

Nays-1

Robinson

In The Chair: Cotter

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Stamas 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

Rep. Stamas 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, a majority of the members present voting therefor.

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

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills and joint resolution had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Thursday, March 7:

House Bill Nos. 4372 4373 4374 4375 4376 4377 4378 4379 4380 4381 4382 4383 4384 Senate Bill Nos. 246 247 248 249 250

Senate Joint Resolution P

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bill had been received on Thursday, March 7:

Senate Bill No. 233

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Tourism, by Rep. Pettalia, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4262, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 226, 227, and 231 (MCL 750.226, 750.227, and 750.231), section 227 as amended by 1986 PA 8 and section 231 as amended by 2006 PA 401.

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

1. Amend page 4, following line 26, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.".

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Pettalia, Goike, Crawford, Genetski, Rendon, Pagel, Kosowski and Kivela

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 7, 2013

Present: Reps. Pettalia, Goike, Crawford, Genetski, Rendon, Pagel, Kosowski, Brunner and Kivela

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Wednesday, March 6, 2013

Present: Reps. Lyons, Franz, Crawford, Daley, Genetski, Lund, McMillin, Hooker, Jacobsen, Price, Yonker, Lipton, Knezek, Brinks, Stallworth, Lamonte and Abed

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Poleski, Chair, of the Committee on Financial Liability Reform, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 7, 2013

Present: Reps. Poleski, Victory, Denby, McMillin, Schmidt, Shirkey, Callton, Cavanagh, Talabi, Irwin and Robinson

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 7, 2013

Present: Reps. Price, Pagel, Daley, Franz, Pettalia, Somerville, Rendon, Graves, Rutledge, Banks and Talabi

Absent: Rep. Stanley Excused: Rep. Stanley

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 7, 2013

Present: Reps. Lund, Leonard, Denby, Cotter, Glardon, Goike, LaFontaine, Lyons, Nesbitt, O'Brien, Segal, Lipton, Abed and Cochran

Absent: Rep. Olumba Excused: Rep. Olumba

Messages from the Senate

Senate Bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for certain capital outlay projects and for certain state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Slavens, Hovey-Wright, Knezek and Kosowski introduced

House Bill No. 4385, entitled

A bill to create the foster care parents bill of rights; to ensure that foster care parents have certain rights; and to establish the rights and responsibilities of certain state departments and agencies.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

Reps. Switalski, Dillon, Roberts, Irwin, Tlaib, Faris, Talabi, Stallworth, Greimel, Lipton, Knezek, Hobbs, Hovey-Wright, Singh and Zemke introduced

House Bill No. 4386, entitled

A bill to amend 1964 PA 154, entitled "Minimum wage law of 1964," by amending section 4 (MCL 408.384), as amended by 2006 PA 81.

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

Rep. Crawford introduced

House Bill No. 4387, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1212 (MCL 380.1212), as amended by 2003 PA 299.

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

Reps. Pscholka, Kelly, Somerville, Haveman, Heise, Johnson, Farrington, Poleski, Jenkins, Rendon, Lori, Forlini, Bumstead, Graves, Schmidt, Daley, Shirkey, Cotter, Franz, MacGregor and Foster introduced

House Bill No. 4388, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," by amending section 57b (MCL 400.57b), as amended by 2011 PA 131.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors.

Reps. Goike, Lane, Kelly, Lauwers, Victory, Glardon, Schmidt, Daley, Zorn, Jacobsen, Heise and Yonker introduced House Bill No. 4389, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize

contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending the title and section 25 (MCL 247.675), the title as amended by 2010 PA 135 and section 25 as amended by 1993 PA 20.

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

Reps. Stamas, Kelly, McCready, Schmidt, Graves, Foster, Pettalia, Potvin, Lund, Rendon, Yanez, Lamonte, Victory, Lauwers and Knezek introduced

House Bill No. 4390, entitled

A bill to amend 2006 PA 110, entitled "Michigan zoning enabling act," (MCL 125.3101 to 125.3702) by adding section 204a.

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

Reps. Singh, Schor, Slavens, Knezek, Kosowski, Robinson, Cavanagh, Irwin and Oakes introduced House Bill No. 4391, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 272 (MCL 206.272), as amended by 2011 PA 38.

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

Rep. Haugh introduced

House Bill No. 4392, entitled

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled "Occupational code," by amending section 411 (MCL 339.411), as amended by 2008 PA 309; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Reps. Pagel, Jacobsen, Price, Outman, VerHeulen, Victory and Cotter introduced

House Bill No. 4393, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 312, 386, 641, and 646a (MCL 168.312, 168.386, 168.641, and 168.646a), sections 312 and 646a as amended by 2006 PA 647, section 386 as added by 2012 PA 586, and section 641 as amended by 2005 PA 71.

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

Reps. Howrylak, Jacobsen, VerHeulen, Outman, Pagel, Victory and Cotter introduced

House Bill No. 4394, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 16, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships, the election and duties of township officers, and the division of townships," by amending section 8 (MCL 41.8), as amended by 1990 PA 101.

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

Reps. Kosowski, Jacobsen, Price, Pagel, Outman, VerHeulen, Victory and Cotter introduced

House Bill No. 4395, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 425, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of community swimming pool authorities; to provide powers and duties of the authorities; to provide for the levy of a tax by the authorities; and to provide for the collection and distribution of the tax," by amending section 13 (MCL 123.1073).

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

Reps. Outman, Jacobsen, Price, Pagel, VerHeulen, Kosowski, Victory and Cotter introduced House Bill No. 4396, entitled

A bill to amend 1948 (1st Ex Sess) PA 31, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of authorities to acquire, furnish, equip, own, improve, enlarge, operate, and maintain buildings, automobile parking lots or structures, transit-oriented developments, transit-oriented facilities, recreational facilities, stadiums, and the necessary site or sites therefor, together with appurtenant properties and facilities necessary or convenient for the effective use thereof, for the use of any county, city, village, or township, or for the use of any combination of 2 or more counties, cities, villages, or townships, or for the use of any school district and any city, village, or township wholly or partially within the district's boundaries, or for the use of any school district and any combination of 2 or more cities, villages, or townships wholly or partially within the district's boundaries, or for the use of any intermediate school district and any constituent school district or any city, village, or township, wholly or partially within the intermediate school district's boundaries; to provide for compensation of authority commissioners; to permit transfers of property to authorities; to authorize the execution of contracts, leases, and subleases pertaining to authority property and the use of authority property; to authorize incorporating units to impose taxes without limitation as to rate or amount and to pledge their full faith and credit for the payment of contract of lease obligations in anticipation of which bonds are issued by an authority; to provide for the issuance of bonds by such authorities; to validate action taken and bonds issued; to provide other powers, rights, and duties of authorities and incorporating units, including those for the disposal of authority property; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending section 8b (MCL 123.958b), as amended by 1995 PA 147.

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

Reps. VerHeulen, Jacobsen, Price, Pagel, Outman, Kosowski, Victory and Cotter introduced

House Bill No. 4397, entitled

A bill to amend 1989 PA 292, entitled "Metropolitan councils act," by amending section 27 (MCL 124.677), as amended by 2003 PA 301.

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

Rep. Price introduced

House Bill No. 4398, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32513 (MCL 324.32513), as amended by 2012 PA 247.

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

Rep. Pscholka introduced

House Bill No. 4399, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 32514 (MCL 324.32514), as added by 1995 PA 59.

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

Rep. Pettalia introduced

House Bill No. 4400, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 30104 (MCL 324.30104), as amended by 2011 PA 218.

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

Reps. Stamas, Irwin, Glardon, Kelly, McCready, Schmidt, Graves, Foster, Pettalia, Potvin, Lund, Rendon, Yanez, Segal, Lamonte, Lauwers and Knezek introduced

House Joint Resolution N, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 5 and 6 of article VIII, to require public universities to consider certain veterans of the armed forces residents of this state for determining their tuition rates.

The joint resolution was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs.

Announcements by the Clerk

March 6, 2013

Received from the Auditor General a copy of the following audit report and/or report summary:

Performance audit of the Tax Compliance Bureau, Department of Treasury, March 2013.

Gary L. Randall

Clerk of the House

The Clerk received the following dissent on Senate Bill No. 48, from Rep. Irwin:

I continue to object to the use of procedural tricks to subvert the Constitutional rights of citizens to know accurately the actions of the House of Representatives. Motions for immediate effect are routinely gaveled through without even a pretense of vote counting. This motion requires support from 2/3rds of the members and there is no genuine effort to ascertain the level of support for immediate effect. I object to this practice and I object to the erroneous assertions printed in the House Journal that suggest an authentic counting of votes occurred on the House floor.

The Clerk received the following dissent on House Bill No. 4094, from Rep. Irwin:

I continue to object to the use of procedural tricks to subvert the Constitutional rights of citizens to know accurately the actions of the House of Representatives. Motions for immediate effect are routinely gaveled through without even a pretense of vote counting. This motion requires support from 2/3rds of the members and there is no genuine effort to ascertain the level of support for immediate effect. I object to this practice and I object to the erroneous assertions printed in the House Journal that suggest an authentic counting of votes occurred on the House floor.

The Clerk received the following dissent on House Bill No. 4050, from Rep. Irwin:

I continue to object to the use of procedural tricks to subvert the Constitutional rights of citizens to know accurately the actions of the House of Representatives. Motions for immediate effect are routinely gaveled through without even a pretense of vote counting. This motion requires support from 2/3rds of the members and there is no genuine effort to ascertain the level of support for immediate effect. In addition, members do not rise to indicate their support for the rising vote called for by the presiding officer because they know that the presiding officer will make no effort to count the number of members rising. I object to this practice and I object to the erroneous assertions printed in the House Journal that suggest an authentic counting of votes occurred on the House floor.

The Clerk received the following dissent on House Bill No. 4080, from Rep. Irwin:

I continue to object to the use of procedural tricks to subvert the Constitutional rights of citizens to know accurately the actions of the House of Representatives. Motions for immediate effect are routinely gaveled through without even a pretense of vote counting. This motion requires support from 2/3rds of the members and there is no genuine effort to ascertain the level of support for immediate effect. I object to this practice and I object to the erroneous assertions printed in the House Journal that suggest an authentic counting of votes occurred on the House floor.

Rep. Rutledge moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, the time being 1:10 p.m.

Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Cotter declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, March 12, at 1:30 p.m.

GARY L. RANDALL Clerk of the House of Representatives