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House Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

12:00 Noon.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, the Representatives-elect to the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan for the years 2019 and 2020, assembled in Representative Hall in the Capitol at Lansing on the second Wednesday in January, the 9th of January, 2019 at 12:00 o'clock noon, and in accordance with law, were called to order by Gary L. Randall, Clerk of the preceding House.

Pastor Rusty Chatfield, Pastor of Northern Michigan Baptist Bible Church in Burt Lake, offered the following invocation:

“Dear Heavenly Father,

We are grateful to You, Almighty God, for the blessings of freedom and we are earnestly desiring to secure these blessings undiminished to ourselves and our posterity.

I pray that You would grant wisdom to this legislative body. I pray that the words of these legislators’ mouths and the meditations of their hearts would honor You in all that they say and do. I pray that everyone would argue honestly and that they would be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry. Let no personal animosity ever cloud anyone’s judgment. May everyone recognize that we are all created in the image of God. I ask You, Father, to bless the work of this chamber. May every bill passed and every law enacted reflect Your supreme law.

Father, have mercy on our State and country.

I pray that all of us would have malice for none and charity for all. Give every legislator firmness in the right as You give them understanding to see the right. May God’s grace be manifested in this place.

I ask these things in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.”

**Communications from State Officers**

November 26, 2018

Gary Randall, Clerk  
Michigan House of Representatives  
P.O. Box 30014  
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7514

Dear Clerk Randall:

Enclosed, please find the certified listing of the candidates elected to the office of State Representative at the November 6, 2018 general election. Copies of the official returns certified for this election, including the returns for the special election held November 6, 2018 for the office of State Representative, District 68 for a partial term ending January 1, 2019, are also provided for your reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,  
Sally Williams  
Director of Elections

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I, Ruth Johnson, Secretary of State and Custodian of the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, certify that the persons named on the attached listing were duly elected at the November 6, 2018 General Election to the Office of State Representative for a term commencing on January 1, 2019 and ending on January 1, 2021, as shown by the official returns certified for the election and placed on file in this office.

[SEAL]

In witness whereof, I have hereto attached my signature and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, on November 26, 2018.

Ruth Johnson  
Secretary of State

State of Michigan

General Election – November, 2018

Representatives Elect

State Legislature

House District	Party	Name	Address
1	DEM	Tenisha Yancey	21406 Broadstone, Harper Woods, MI 48225
2	DEM	Joe Tate	192 Lenox St, Detroit, MI 48215
3	DEM	Wendell L. Byrd	20651 Stratford, Detroit, MI 48221
4	DEM	Isaac Robinson	4221 Avery St, Detroit, MI 48208
5	DEM	Cynthia A. Johnson	4060 Montgomery St, Detroit, MI
6	DEM	Tyrone Carter	25701 W Outer Dr, Detroit, MI 48217
7	DEM	LaTanya Garrett	15355 Cherrylawn, Detroit, MI 48238
8	DEM	Sherry Gay Dagnogo	15667 Glastonbury, Detroit, MI 48223
9	DEM	Karen Whitsett	11406 Littlefield St, Detroit, MI 48227
10	DEM	Leslie Love	PO Box 47323, Oak Park, MI 48237
11	DEM	Jewell Jones	PO Box 404, Inkster, MI 48141
12	DEM	Alex Garza	5962 Jackson, Taylor, MI 48180
13	DEM	Frank Liberati	9068 Quandt, Allen Park, MI 48101
14	DEM	Cara Clemente	2235 Fort Park Blvd, Lincoln Park, MI 48146
15	DEM	Abdullah Hammoud	PO Box 2719, Dearborn, MI 48128
16	DEM	Kevin Coleman	33016 Lynx, Westland, MI 48185
17	REP	Joe Bellino, Jr	1285 Hollywood Dr, Monroe, MI 48162
18	DEM	Kevin Hertel	22848 Poplar Beach Dr, Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081
19	DEM	Laurie Pohutsky	17476 Rexwood, Livonia, MI 48152
20	DEM	Matt Koleszar	PO Box 6094, Plymouth, MI 48170
21	DEM	Kristy Pagan	PO Box 871451, Canton, MI 48187
22	DEM	John Chirkun	31229 Merrily, Roseville, MI 48066
23	DEM	Darrin Camilleri	24798 Trillium Way, Brownstown, MI 48134
24	REP	Steve Marino	PO Box 46310, Mount Clemens, MI 48046
25	DEM	Nate Shannon	43313 Interlaken Dr, Sterling Heights, MI 48313
26	DEM	Jim Ellison	1309 Mohawk, Royal Oak, MI 48067
27	DEM	Robert Wittenberg	13302 Borgman Ave, Huntington Woods, MI 48070
28	DEM	Lori M. Stone	27582 Evelyn, Warren, MI 48093
29	DEM	Brenda Carter	86 W Yale Ave, Pontiac, MI 48340
30	REP	Diana Farrington	8830 Summers Ct, Utica, MI 48317
31	DEM	William J. Sowerby	37860 Saddle Ln, Clinton Township, MI 48036
32	REP	Pamela Hornberger	PO Box 5, New Baltimore, MI 48047
33	REP	Jeff Yaroch	35545 Pound Rd, Richmond, MI 48062
34	DEM	Sheldon A. Neeley	2305 Begole, Flint, MI 48504

35	DEM	Kyra Harris Bolden	29485 Woodhaven Ln, Southfield, MI 48076
36	REP	Douglas C. Wozniak	51543 Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Township, MI 48316
37	DEM	Christine Greig	PO Box 587, Farmington, MI 48332
38	REP	Kathy S. Crawford	46275 W Eleven Mile Rd, Novi, MI 48374
39	REP	Ryan Berman	8480 Hummingbird Dr, Commerce Township, MI 48382
40	DEM	Mari Manoogian	PO Box 1234, Birmingham, MI 48009
41	DEM	Padma Kuppa	PO Box 1874, Troy, MI 48099
42	REP	Ann Bollin	100 Orndorf #1435, Brighton, MI 48116
43	REP	Andrea K. Schroeder	5641 Golf Pointe Dr, Clarkston, MI 48348
44	REP	Matt Maddock	1150 S Milford Rd, Milford, MI 48381
45	REP	Michael Webber	2315 Cumberland Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48307
46	REP	John Reilly	2273 W Predmore Rd, Oakland, MI 48363
47	REP	Hank Vaupel	PO Box 363, Fowlerville, MI 48836
48	DEM	Sheryl Y. Kennedy	9293 Sunrise Ln, Davison, MI 48423
49	DEM	John D. Cherry	1025 Kensington Ave, Flint, MI 48503
50	DEM	Tim Sneller	2253 McLaren St, Burton, MI 48529
51	REP	Mike Mueller	6127 Lobdell Rd, Linden, MI 48451
52	DEM	Donna Lasinski	PO Box 7425, Ann Arbor, MI 48107
53	DEM	Yousef Rabhi	1255 Kensington Dr, Ann Arbor, MI 48104
54	DEM	Ronnie D. Peterson	6060 Vista Dr, Ypsilanti, MI 48197
55	DEM	Rebekah Warren	234 8th St, Ann Arbor, MI 48103
56	REP	Jason M. Sheppard	PO Box 271, Lambertville, MI 48144
57	REP	Bronna Kahle	PO Box 681, Adrian, MI 49221
58	REP	Eric Leutheuser	2140 Steamburg Rd, Hillsdale, MI 49242
59	REP	Aaron Miller	606 Cherry St, Sturgis, MI 49091
60	DEM	Jon Hoadley	2720 Parkview Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49008
61	REP	Brandt Iden	6067 Danford Creek Dr #2, Kalamazoo, MI 49009
62	DEM	Jim Haadsma	249 Snow Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49037
63	REP	Matt Hall	PO Box 726, Marshall, MI 49068
64	REP	Julie Alexander	5815 Hanover Rd, Hanover, MI 49241
65	REP	Sarah Lightner	9915 N Parma Rd, Springport, MI 49284
66	REP	Beth Griffin	60887 Valley View Blvd, Mattawan, MI 49071
67	DEM	Kara Hope	PO Box 21002, Lansing, MI 48909
68	DEM	Sarah Anthony	PO Box 12267, Lansing, MI 48909
69	DEM	Julie Brixie	2294 Hamilton Rd, Okemos, MI 48864
70	REP	James A. Lower	PO Box 115, Cedar Lake, MI 48812
71	DEM	Angela Witwer	PO Box 80221, Lansing, MI 48908
72	REP	Steven Johnson	423 Mill St Apt 6, Wayland, MI 49348
73	REP	Lynn Afendoulis	3333 Falcon Bluff Ct NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525
74	REP	Mark E. Huizenga	3841 Butterworth St SW, Walker, MI 49534
75	DEM	David LaGrand	1551 Kalamazoo Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49507
76	DEM	Rachel Hood	PO Box 2405, Grand Rapids, MI 49501
77	REP	Tommy Brann	4335 56th St, Wyoming, MI 49418
78	REP	Brad Paquette	1 Fort St Apt 8, Niles, MI 49120
79	REP	Pauline Wendzel	8510 Danneffel Rd, Watervliet, MI 49098
80	REP	Mary Whiteford	7258 Beverly Dr, South Haven, MI 49090
81	REP	Gary R. Eisen	6350 Rattle Run, Saint Clair Township, MI 48079
82	REP	Gary Howell	4865 Fish Lake Rd, North Branch, MI 48461
83	REP	Shane Hernandez	1423 18th St, Port Huron, MI 48060
84	REP	Phil Green	7650 Trumbower Trl, Millington, MI 48746
85	REP	Ben Frederick	600 N Water St, Owosso, MI 48867
86	REP	Thomas A. Albert	30 Flat River Dr SE, Lowell, MI 49331
87	REP	Julie A. Calley	10198 Butler Rd, Portland, MI 48875
88	REP	Luke Meerman	14250 60th, Coopersville, MI 49404
89	REP	Jim Lilly	PO Box 147, Macatawa, MI 49434
90	REP	Bradley Slagh	PO Box 453, Zeeland, MI 49464
91	REP	Greg VanWoerkom	6490 Boulder Drive, Norton Shores, MI 49444
92	DEM	Terry J. Sabo	1188 N Robinhood Dr, Muskegon, MI 49445
93	REP	Graham Filler	12130 Airport Rd, Dewitt, MI 48820
94	REP	Rodney Wakeman	4231 Ann St, Saginaw, MI 48603

95	DEM	Vanessa Guerra	2146 Gratiot Ave, Saginaw, MI 48602
96	DEM	Brian K. Elder	PO Box 66, Bay City, MI 48707
97	REP	Jason Wentworth	6070 Grant Rd, Farwell, MI 48622
98	REP	Annette Glenn	PO Box 1128, Midland, MI 48641
99	REP	Roger Hauck	1682 S Bamber Rd, Mount Pleasant, MI 48858
100	REP	Scott A. VanSingel	12615 Catalpa, Grant, MI 49327
101	REP	Jack O'Malley	PO Box 102, Lake Ann, MI 49650
102	REP	Michele Hoitenga	226 Roberts St, Manton, MI 49663
103	REP	Daire Rendon	PO Box 809, Lake City, MI 49651
104	REP	Larry C. Inman	8971 Crockett, Williamsburg, MI 49690
105	REP	Triston Cole	PO Box 102, Mancelona, MI 49659
106	REP	Sue Allor	PO Box 248, Wolverine, MI 49799
107	REP	Lee Chatfield	2481 US 31 North, Levering, MI 4975510
108	REP	Beau Matthew LaFave	W8025 Millie Hill Estates Dr, Iron Mountain, MI 49801
109	DEM	Sara Cambensy	306 N Sixth St, Marquette, MI 49855
110	REP	Gregory Markkanen	743 Hancock St, Hancock, MI 49930

The roll of the House was called by the Assistant Clerk, who announced that all of the Representatives-elect were present.

### Oath of Office

The Representatives-elect appeared at the Clerk's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, which was administered by the Hon. Bridget McCormack, Chief Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court.

The Clerk announced that the first business in order was the selection of seats in accordance with the Statute.

The Statute having been read, the members in the order or their total length of service in the House selected seats as their names were called by the Clerk. Makayla Wentworth and Brodie Shannon drew numbers for the selection of seats for members as provided, by Statute, all seats being selected as follows:

1 — Gary Howell	56 — Yousef Rabhi
2 — Andrea K. Schroeder	57 — Christine Greig
3 — Ann Bollin	58 — Darrin Camilleri
4 — Eric Leutheuser	59 — Sarah Anthony
5 — Lee Chatfield	60 — Joe Tate
6 — Triston Cole	61 — Vanessa Guerra
7 — Steve Marino	62 — Kyra Harris Bolden
8 — Mike Mueller	63 — Matt Koleszar
9 — Matt Hall	64 — Jon Hoadley
10 — Pamela Hornberger	65 — Kristy Pagan
11 — Jason M. Sheppard	66 — Mari Manoogian
12 — Jason Wentworth	67 — Karen Whitsett
13 — Shane Hernandez	68 — Cara Clemente
14 — Mark E. Huizenga	69 — William J. Sowerby
15 — Larry C. Inman	70 — Laurie Pohutsky
16 — Graham Filler	71 — Lori M. Stone
17 — Bronna Kahle	72 — David LaGrand
18 — Mary Whiteford	73 — Nate Shannon
19 — Jim Lilly	74 — Tyrone Carter
20 — Brandt Iden	75 — Abdullah Hammoud
21 — John Reilly	76 — Rebekah Warren
22 — Rodney Wakeman	77 — Donna Lasinski
23 — Matt Maddock	78 — Rachel Hood
24 — Annette Glenn	79 — Sherry Gay-Dagnogo
25 — Lynn Afendoulis	80 — Angela Witwer
26 — Luke Meerman	81 — Alex Garza
27 — Aaron Miller	82 — Frank Liberati
28 — Diana Farrington	83 — Jewell Jones

29 — Ryan Berman	84 — Tim Sneller
30 — Ben Frederick	85 — Jim Ellison
31 — Scott A. VanSingel	86 — Tenisha Yancey
32 — Brad Paquette	87 — Cynthia A. Johnson
33 — Pauline Wendzel	88 — Sheryl Y. Kennedy
34 — Daire Rendon	89 — Brenda Carter
35 — Beau Matthew LaFave	90 — John Chirkun
36 — Gregory Markkanen	91 — John D. Cherry
37 — Phil Green	92 — Sheldon A. Neeley
38 — Steven Johnson	93 — Wendell L. Byrd
39 — Joe Bellino, Jr.	94 — LaTanya Garrett
40 — Jack O'Malley	95 — Julie Brixie
41 — Michael Webber	96 — Kevin Coleman
42 — Douglas C. Wozniak	97 — Julie A. Calley
43 — Sarah Lightner	98 — Terry J. Sabo
44 — Julie Alexander	99 — Kevin Hertel
45 — Beth Griffin	100 — Sara Cambensy
46 — Greg VanWoerkom	101 — Robert Wittenberg
47 — Sue Allor	102 — Jim Haadsma
48 — Kathy S. Crawford	103 — Isaac Robinson
49 — Roger Hauck	104 — Tommy Brann
50 — Gary R. Eisen	105 — Bradley Slagh
51 — James A. Lower	106 — Leslie Love
52 — Michele Hoitenga	107 — Kara Hope
53 — Thomas A. Albert	108 — Ronnie D. Peterson
54 — Jeff Yaroch	109 — Padma Kuppa
55 — Hank Vaupel	110 — Brian K. Elder

Rep. Cole moved that Rule 2 be suspended.

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

Rep. Cole moved that the Clerk be directed to notify the Governor and the President of the Senate that the House had completed its organization and was ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

### **Motions and Resolutions**

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

#### **House Resolution No. 1.**

A resolution prescribing the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the following rules be adopted as the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives:

### **STANDING RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MICHIGAN CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV, SECTION 16**

#### **CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Meetings, Officers and Quorum.**

Rule 1. (1) The House shall meet in regular session at the seat of government on the second Wednesday in January of each year at twelve o'clock noon. In each odd-numbered year, it shall proceed with its organization, the election of a Speaker and a Clerk for the ensuing term of the Legislature. All elections shall be by roll call and shall require a majority of the Members voting to elect.

(2) A majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and not less than 15 Members voting in favor thereof may compel the attendance of absent Members and prescribe penalties for non-attendance. (See Const 1963, Art 4 §§ 13 and 14)

#### **Admission to Floor -- Defined.**

Rule 2. (1) No person shall be admitted on the floor of the House for a period of 30 minutes immediately preceding the time set for any call to order during any session of the House through adjournment, except as follows:

- (a) Representatives and Senators;
  - (b) Former Legislators, unless otherwise restricted;
  - (c) Sergeants at arms, pages, Clerk's staff, and legislative staff who are specifically designated and approved by the Majority Floor Leader to be working on the House floor during session;
  - (d) Directors of Michigan Departments and the Governor's legislative liaisons may be admitted to the Thatcher or Document room and may have floor access with the permission of the Majority Floor Leader;
  - (e) Immediate family of Representatives who have obtained and are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Majority Floor Leader;
  - (f) Media correspondents accredited by the Clerk of the House who are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Clerk. Media correspondents shall not use the center aisle or be at the Members' desks without the permission of the Majority Floor Leader; and
  - (g) Such other persons as may be invited by the Speaker or Majority Floor Leader.
- (2) No group or individual shall be allowed access to the floor when the House is not in session unless permission is granted by the Majority Floor Leader or Clerk. The Majority Floor Leader and Clerk shall issue guidelines to ensure that guests using the floor are responsible for costs incurred by the House. If permission is given to a Member to bring guests on the floor when the House is not in session, the Member shall accompany the guests.

(3) Only Members shall sit in Members' chairs.

(4) Any person who is a lobbyist or employed by a lobbyist shall not be admitted on the floor of the House at any time, except immediate family of a Representative if admitted under rule 2(1)(e) on the first session day of an odd-numbered year for a swearing-in ceremony or under rule 2(1)(d). A former Legislator or immediate family of Representatives shall not lobby on the floor, except if they are admitted under rule 2(1)(d). The words "floor of the House," when used in these rules, shall mean the space of the main floor of Representative Hall, together with adjacent rooms on the second floor of the Capitol under the jurisdiction of the Clerk, including the Democrat and Republican caucus rooms and the corridor behind the House rostrum.

(5) Guests may be introduced only by permission of the Presiding Officer. Guests shall not be introduced during a roll call vote. Guests are to use the center aisle only if being escorted by a Member or House staff.

(6) Use of the center aisle should be kept at a minimum.

(7) The Majority Floor Leader must grant approval for the distribution of items on the floor and items must pertain to that day's agenda. All printed material intended for distribution on the floor shall be clearly identified by the Member requesting the distribution.

#### **Bar of the House.**

Rule 3. (1) Any Member, having answered attendance roll call at the opening of any session, or who enters after attendance roll call, shall be considered present until leave of absence is obtained from the House. Any Member having entered upon the floor of the House after the House has been called to order, shall be considered present if within the bar of the House.

(2) The words "within the bar of the House," when used in these rules, shall mean the space occupied and used by the House or any legislative room or office under the jurisdiction of the Clerk.

(3) Cell phones on the floor shall not ring audibly.

(4) All persons within the bar of the House shall be in acceptable business attire.

## **CHAPTER II OFFICERS SPEAKER**

#### **Definitions.**

Rule 4. Speaker is any Member elected as Speaker under Rule 1 of these rules.

#### **Duties as Presiding Officer.**

Rule 5. The Speaker, or the designee of the Speaker, shall take the Chair each day at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned or recessed. The Presiding Officer shall call the House to order and lead the Members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and, except in the absence of a quorum, shall proceed to business in the manner prescribed by these rules. In the absence of the Speaker, or the designee of the Speaker, the Clerk or Assistant Clerk may call the House to order.

Rule 6. (1) The Presiding Officer shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order, rising for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House. When two or more Members rise at once, the Presiding Officer shall name the Member who is first to speak.

(2) Only the Presiding Officer shall lead the House in observing a moment of silence.

#### **Duties of Speaker as Chief Administrator.**

Rule 7. (1) Payment to all persons, authorized under paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) to expend House funds for transportation, lodging, meals, registration fees and related items, shall be made in accordance with expenditure regulations as predetermined and prepublished to Members by the Speaker. The regulations shall set forth the guidelines for amounts, methods of payment and time of payment for such items. The Speaker may revise the regulations upon 15-day notice to all Members.

(2) The Speaker may authorize persons to make expenditures from the general funds of the House for administrative purposes. The Speaker may enter into contracts for the purchase and payment of benefits affecting employees, Members of the House, retirees and their successors in interest.

(3) Regular standing committees of the House shall be allotted such funds as the Speaker may authorize. The Speaker may restrict selected expenditures to a lesser number of Members, alternates or substitute Members, than the number of Members of the standing committee. The funds may be expended for items specified in paragraph (1) and for contractual services, publications and supplies. All expenditures under this paragraph shall be approved by the committee Chair and the Speaker and for items specified in paragraph (1) shall be in accordance with the regulations and guidelines provided for by paragraph (1).

(4) Additional committees may be authorized by resolution. The resolutions shall set the maximum budget of such committees. Members, alternates and substitute Members of such additional committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise specified in the resolution. The Speaker may restrict selected expenditures to a lesser number of Members, alternates or substitute Members than the number of Members specified in the resolution. Budgeted funds may be expended for items specified in paragraph (1), for contractual services, publications, supplies and any other items specified in the resolution. Payments for contractual services may be authorized by the committee Chair and the Speaker. All expenditures under this paragraph for items specified in paragraph (1) shall be in accordance with the regulations and guidelines provided for by paragraph (1).

#### **Appointments by the Speaker.**

Rule 8. The Speaker shall appoint all committees, except where the House shall otherwise order. If the Speaker makes permanent or temporary additions to or removals from any standing or special committee, the names and the appointments or removals shall take effect when the Clerk and Minority Leader are notified by letter and shall appear in the next House Journal.

#### **Appointment of Employees by Speaker.**

Rule 9. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee, shall appoint all employees of the House. Unless otherwise provided by law, the compensation for all employees and officers of the House shall be fixed by the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee. All employees of the House shall maintain a status as non-tenured, at-will employees. All employees of the House work at the pleasure of the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee, shall be subject to the Speaker's, or the Speaker's designee's, orders, and may be transferred to a different position, demoted, suspended, or summarily removed by the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee.

#### **Naming of Acting Speaker.**

Rule 10. The Speaker, may, by filing a written notice with the Clerk, appoint any Member to perform the duties of the Presiding Officer, but not for a longer time than one day without leave of the House. Such notice shall be spread upon the House Journal.

#### **Voting.**

Rule 11. The Speaker and Presiding Officer may vote on all elections and on all questions.

#### **Putting the Question.**

Rule 12. (1) The Presiding Officer shall pose all questions to the Members. If in doubt the Presiding Officer may order a division of the House. A division of the House may be had on the demand of ten Members. A vote taken by division is not printed in the House Journal. A roll call of the House may be demanded by one-fifth of the Members present (see Const 1963, Art 4 § 18) on any pending question and in such case the record of the votes and names of the voting Members shall be entered in the House Journal.

(2) When a division of the House is ordered, the voting board shall be used, and the Clerk shall announce the vote and the Presiding Officer shall declare the result. On a tie vote the question shall be deemed as lost. A majority of those voting shall decide any question unless otherwise provided.

**Recognition During Roll Call.**

Rule 13. (1) After a question has been stated by the Presiding Officer, and the calling of the roll has been started by the Clerk, the Presiding Officer shall not recognize a Member for any purpose, until after the announcement of the vote by the Clerk except:

- (a) To raise a point of order;
- (b) To request an excuse for another Member;
- (c) To announce intent not to vote for reason of potential conflict of interest; and
- (d) To request that the board be cleared.

(2) The Clerk shall enter upon the House Journal the names of those voting “aye” and the names of those voting “nay”. Roll calls shall be consecutively numbered in the House Journal.

**SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE****Powers and Duties.**

Rule 14. (1) The Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore, or an Associate Speaker Pro Tempore shall preside over the House, unless the Speaker has designated another Member to preside.

(2) In the absence of a designated Presiding Officer, the Clerk shall preside and if a quorum is present may designate a temporary Presiding Officer of the same party as the Speaker.

**CLERK****Roll Call.**

Rule 15. The Clerk shall serve as parliamentarian of the House. The Clerk shall take the roll at the opening of each session of the House and announce whether or not a quorum is present. The Clerk shall enter upon the House Journal the names of the Members present for attendance roll call, the names of the Members specifically excused from session, and the names of the Members absent from session. The term “roll call” as used in these rules shall mean a record roll call.

**Conduct of Religious Exercises.**

Rule 16. The Clerk shall arrange for a Member to offer an invocation which will not exceed 2 minutes in length at the opening of each session of the House. This invocation shall be general in nature, may be delivered by the Member or a Member’s guest, and must be submitted to jclerk@house.mi.gov electronically 1 day in advance. For special occasions, the Clerk may arrange for religious services as needed.

**Publication and Correction of House Journal.**

Rule 17. (1) The Clerk shall make up and complete the House Journal, supervise its daily publication, and make corrections. The Clerk is authorized to correct totals that may have been affected by amendments made to appropriations bills.

(2) The House Journal is the only official record of the proceedings of the House.

(3) Written or verbal remarks made under the order of business of Comments and Recommendations shall not be printed in the House Journal except for remarks regarding departing Members. Departing Members remarks must be submitted electronically to jclerk@house.mi.gov in order to be printed in the House Journal.

**House Calendar.**

Rule 18. The Clerk shall prepare and make available to each Member each session day a list of the business under each order of business.

**Printing, Announcement of Printing and Enrollment of Bills.**

Rule 19. The Clerk shall ensure the printing or reproduction of all bills, acts or documents ordered printed or reproduced by the House. The Clerk shall announce each day the numbers of all bills and letters of all joint resolutions which have been printed or reproduced and placed upon the files of the Members, and the numbers of House bills which have been enrolled and presented to the Governor.

**Responsibility for Care of Bills; Presentation of Enrolled Bills to Governor.**

Rule 20. The Clerk shall be responsible for the care and preservation of each bill introduced into the House, and for each bill received from the Senate up to the time of its return to that body. This responsibility shall only be relieved by a receipt from a person when the bill passes from his or her possession. The Clerk shall enroll a House bill while the House is not in session if that bill has passed both houses and no action is pending. The Clerk shall notify the House of such action on the next House legislative day. When a House bill has been finally passed by the two houses, the Clerk shall present to the Governor an enrolled copy thereof, taking a receipt showing the day, hour and minute at which such copy was deposited in the executive office.



**Appointment of Assistants.**

Rule 21. The Clerk shall, with the consent of the Speaker, appoint an Assistant Clerk and other assistants. All assistants of the Clerk and employees of the House assigned to the Clerk's office shall maintain a status as non-tenured, at-will employees. All assistants and employees of the House assigned to the Clerk's office work at the pleasure of the Clerk and Speaker, shall be subject to the orders of the Clerk and Speaker, and may be transferred to a different position, demoted, suspended, or summarily removed by the Clerk or Speaker.

**Accreditation of News Media.**

Rule 22. (1) The Clerk shall receive the applications of all members of the news media. Persons desiring to be accredited as official media correspondents at the two-year session shall file a written application with the Clerk. When issuing credentials, the Clerk shall instruct the media person as to conduct on the House floor.

(2) Members of the press corps shall comply with all House rules and guidelines, including acceptable business attire, and shall, while on the House floor during session, display credentials at all times.

**Responsibility for Care of House and Televising House Session.**

Rule 23. (1) The Clerk shall exercise supervisory care and control of the Hall of the House of Representatives and all House rooms and equipment assigned to the office of the Clerk. The Clerk shall, upon prior written authorization by the Speaker, provide for repairs and alterations in the House Chambers and the connected rooms and corridors and their furniture and equipment.

(2) The Clerk shall be responsible for televised coverage of House session and committee meetings.

(3) As directed by the Speaker, the Clerk shall enter into contractual agreements for rental of House facilities.

**Incapacity of Clerk.**

Rule 24. In case of the inability of the Clerk to perform the duties of that office, the Assistant Clerk shall be charged with the responsibility of the Clerk and shall perform the Clerk's duties. In case a vacancy exists in the office of the Clerk, the Assistant Clerk shall assume the Clerkship and perform the duties of Clerk until a successor has been elected.

**Notices in Cases of Extra Sessions.**

Rule 25. Whenever the Legislature shall be called to meet in extraordinary session or in case of emergency, the Clerk shall notify Members and staff of the date and time of convening.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS****Definitions.**

Rule 26. The Sergeant at Arms shall be the chief police officer of the House and shall be appointed by the Speaker. Under the direction of the Speaker, the Clerk shall supervise and direct the work of the Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms, and may commission the Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms, who meet the certification requirements of this state, as law enforcement officers with the powers provided under the Legislative Sergeant at Arms Police Powers Act. (See MCL 4.381 - 4.382)

**Powers and Duties.**

Rule 27. The Sergeant at Arms shall have charge, under the direction of the Clerk, of the Assistant Sergeants at Arms, pages, and session interns, and control of all police, safety and security regulations. The Sergeant at Arms shall have authority to serve subpoenas and warrants issued by the House or any duly authorized officer or committee, or cause the same to be done by one of the Assistant Sergeants at Arms, or a duly authorized agent. The Sergeant at Arms shall see that all visitors are seated and at no time are standing on the floor or balconies of the House. The Sergeant at Arms shall ensure that reasonable decorum is maintained in the lobby immediately in front of the entrance to Representative Hall to ensure access for Representatives and to ensure equal treatment for all citizens.

**CHAPTER III  
MEMBERS****Conduct in Debate.**

Rule 28. When any Member is about to speak in debate or present any matter to the House, the Member shall rise and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confine remarks to the question under debate, and avoid personalities.

**Members Called to Order.**

Rule 29. If any Member in speaking transgresses the rules of the House, the Presiding Officer shall, or any Member may, call the transgressor to order, in which case the Member so called to order shall immediately sit down and shall not rise unless to explain or proceed in order.

## VOTING

### **Voting by the Electronic Roll Call System.**

Rule 30. (1) When taking the roll call on any question, the electronic roll call system may be used, and shall have the same force and effect as a roll call taken as otherwise provided in these rules. The electronic roll call system shall only be used for legislative business officially before the House.

(2) When the House is ready to vote upon any question requiring a roll call, and the vote is to be taken by the electronic roll call system, the Presiding Officer shall state the question to the Members. The Presiding Officer shall inform Members that the board is open to record their votes. When sufficient time has been allowed the Members to vote, the Presiding Officer shall direct the Clerk to close the board. Any Member can vote or change his or her vote after the board has been closed by rising and, when recognized by the Presiding Officer, announcing his or her vote before the result of the vote has been announced by the Clerk. After a sufficient time has passed to allow late voting, the Presiding Officer shall direct the Clerk to tally, display and announce the vote. The Clerk shall record the vote in the House Journal.

(3) No Member shall vote for another Member, nor shall any person not a Member cast a vote for a Member. In addition to such penalties as may be prescribed by law, any Member who shall vote or attempt to vote for another Member may be punished in such manner as the House may determine. A person who votes or attempts to vote for a Member shall be barred from the floor of the House for the remainder of the session and may be further punished in such manner as the House may deem proper.

(4) Any vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays and entered upon the House Journal on request of one-fifth of the Members present. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 18)

### **Vote Explanations.**

Rule 31. (1) A Member may dissent from and protest against any act, proceeding or resolution which the Member deems injurious to any person or the public, and have the reason for dissent, referred to as a “no vote explanation”, printed in the House Journal. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 18)

(2) If a Member desires to abstain from voting because of a potential conflict of interest, the Member may rise, announce his or her intent not to vote, and reserve the right to explain the abstention. The Member shall be granted the right to have the explanatory statement printed in the House Journal. To be printed in the House Journal, the abstention from voting explanation shall be submitted to the Clerk.

(3) No vote explanations or explanations of abstention from voting shall be in compliance with House Rules and shall not be substantively edited by the Clerk before publication in the House Journal. When the Clerk invokes this rule, the Member with the rejected no vote explanation will be told by the Clerk or Clerk’s staff of the specific rule violation and given the opportunity to resubmit the no vote explanation.

### **Conduct.**

Rule 32. (1) No person shall pass between the Presiding Officer and a Member who has the floor.

(2) When so ordered by the Presiding Officer, the Members shall keep their seats until the Majority Floor Leader announces that no further voting will occur or the Presiding Officer announces that the House is adjourned. During such time, the Speaker or the Speaker’s designees may give a Member permission to temporarily leave his or her seat upon request.

## CHAPTER IV COMMITTEES STANDING COMMITTEES

### **Names and Number of Members.**

Rule 33. (1) All standing committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, except where the House shall otherwise order.

(2) The standing committees of the House and the number of Members shall be as follows:

- (a) Agriculture (11)
- (b) Appropriations (29)
- (c) Commerce and Tourism (11)
- (d) Communications and Technology (5)
- (e) Education (15)
- (f) Elections and Ethics (7)
- (g) Energy (17)
- (h) Families, Children and Seniors (9)
- (i) Financial Services (11)
- (j) Government Operations (5)

- (k) Health Policy (19)
- (l) Insurance (17)
- (m) Judiciary (13)
- (n) Local Government and Municipal Finance (13)
- (o) Military, Veterans and Homeland Security (9)
- (p) Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation (9)
- (q) Oversight (9)
- (r) Regulatory Reform (15)
- (s) Tax Policy (15)
- (t) Transportation (13)
- (u) Ways and Means (11)
- (3) Statutory Standing Committees:
  - (a) Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (5)
  - (b) House Fiscal Agency Governing Committee (6)
  - (c) Legislative Council (6)
- (4) The House Journal shall report the roll call on all motions to report bills, resolutions and reorganization orders. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 17)

(5) Committees shall adopt a meeting schedule at the commencement of each term which shall be printed in the House Journal. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the Members in writing to the Clerk. The Chair may cancel any scheduled meeting, except one called by a majority of the Members, by notice to the Members.

### **Uniform Committee Rules.**

Rule 34. (1) The Clerk of the House shall assign committee clerks with the approval of the respective committee Chairs. Duties of committee clerks shall be prescribed by the Clerk.

(2) Special committees shall operate under the same rules as standing committees insofar as practical. Conference committees on House bills shall meet at a place assigned by the Clerk.

(3) All committees will operate under the following rules:

(a) A quorum of a committee shall consist of a majority of the Members appointed and serving;

(b) Members of standing committees may not check in for a committee meeting and leave their vote. Members of committees may only cast a vote if they are present at the meeting during the vote;

(c) It shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members appointed to and serving on a committee in order to:

- (i) Report a bill or resolution out of committee
- (ii) Recommend an amendment to a bill or resolution
- (iii) Reconsider a vote to report a bill or resolution from committee

(d) Provided a quorum of a committee is present, it shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members voting in order to:

- (i) Table a bill or resolution
- (ii) Take a bill or resolution from the table
- (iii) Reconsider a vote, other than in subdivision (c)(iii)

(e) It shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members voting in order to postpone action on a bill or resolution.

(f) The Chair of a standing committee shall determine the agenda for a committee meeting; and

(g) The Chair of a standing committee may create subcommittees and shall designate what is to be considered by each subcommittee. The Chair of the standing committee shall designate a Chair of the subcommittee and shall appoint Members to each subcommittee.

(4) The Speaker may designate additional Members to serve on any subcommittee of a standing committee as voting members who do not serve on the full committee.

(5) Subcommittees shall follow the same rules as standing committees.

(6) Meetings or public hearings of committees may be scheduled outside of Lansing with prior written approval of the Speaker. Subcommittees must have the prior written approval of the Chair of the standing committee and the Speaker in order to conduct a public hearing or meeting outside of Lansing.

(7) All meetings or public hearings of committees or subcommittees shall comply with the following procedures in order to assure public access (See Const 1963, Art 4 §§ 16 and 17):

(a) All meetings or public hearings shall be open to the public and accessible;

(b) The right of any person to attend a meeting or public hearing includes the right to tape-record, videotape, and/or broadcast live;

(c) The right of any person to attend a meeting or public hearing may not be conditioned on prior approval of, or notice to, the committee or subcommittee;

- (d) All decisions of a committee or subcommittee shall be made at a public meeting;
- (e) The right of a person to attend a meeting or public hearing shall not be limited by a requirement that she or he register or otherwise provide her or his name or other identifying information;
- (f) A person shall not be excluded from a meeting or public hearing of a committee or subcommittee except for a breach of the peace or in order to protect the health and safety of persons in attendance at the meeting;
- (g) A conference committee shall give a 6-hour notice. A second conference committee shall give a 1-hour notice. Notice of a conference committee meeting shall include written notice to each member of the conference committee and the Majority and Minority Leaders of each House indicating the time and place of the meeting; (See Act 267 of 1976, MCL 15.265)
- (h) A rescheduled or a special meeting of a committee or subcommittee shall be posted at least 18 hours before the scheduled meeting time. No committee, subcommittee, or conference committee shall remain in session or stand in recess beyond the hour of 12:00 midnight; and
- (i) Notice of committee or subcommittee meetings or public hearings shall include notice that individuals needing special services to fully participate in the meeting or public hearing may contact the committee or subcommittee Chair to request the necessary assistance.
- (8) Each committee shall have written minutes prepared of each meeting. The minutes shall include the date, time, place, Members present, Members absent, Members excused, and any decisions which were made. The minutes shall also include all roll call votes taken at the meeting. The proposed minutes of a meeting shall be available for inspection by the public within 8 working days of the meeting. Minutes shall be approved by the committee at the next meeting. Approved minutes shall be available for public inspection no later than 5 working days after approval.
- (9) Committees may excuse a Member from attending a committee meeting.
- (10) Committees shall not meet after a session of the House has been called to order without the consent of the House.
- (11) To the extent practical, special committees shall follow the same rules as standing committees of the House.
- (12) With approval of a majority of the Members appointed and serving on the committee, a committee may adopt additional rules provided they do not conflict with the Uniform Standing Committee Rules or with the Standing Rules of the House.
- (13) A motion for previous question is not in order.

#### **Chair of Committee.**

Rule 35. The first named Member of any committee shall be the Chair, and the second named Member shall be Vice-Chair. In the absence of both the Chair and Vice-Chair the next named Member of the Majority party in attendance shall act as Chair. The Chair or any Member of the committee may place under oath or affirmation any person who appears to testify before the committee.

#### **Committee and Auditor General Reports.**

Rule 36. Upon receipt of Auditor General reports, the Oversight Committee shall review the reports and, if appropriate, refer the reports to the appropriate standing committee for consideration. Consideration by the standing committee shall not impede or preclude any Member from initiating any action in response to an Auditor General report.

#### **Subpoena Power.**

Rule 37. Except as provided by MCL 4.541, the right of a special or standing committee to subpoena shall be granted by resolution of the House in accordance with Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure - current edition. The vote on adoption of a subpoena power resolution shall be by record roll call vote. The votes of a majority of the Members elected and serving shall be required for adoption. The right to subpoena shall not be granted to subcommittees.

#### **Reports of Committees.**

Rule 38. (1) A committee may recommend amendments, a substitute, or referral to another committee, with or without recommendation as to passage or adoption. A substitute is an amendment that replaces all of the language in a bill or resolution.

(2) Substitutes reported by the committee shall include all adopted amendments and shall be prepared by the Legislative Service Bureau. A majority of the Members serving on a committee shall be necessary to report a bill or resolution out of the committee. A majority of the Members appointed to a committee and serving shall constitute a quorum. Minority reports shall not be permitted or received by the House. Bills or resolutions reported without recommendation as to passage or adoption shall lie on the table.

(3) All bills favorably reported back to the House shall be referred to second reading together with amendments recommended by the standing committee. All resolutions reported back to the House shall be referred to reports of standing committees together with amendments recommended by the standing committee. If more than one standing committee has considered a bill, only the amendments recommended by the last committee to consider the bill shall be considered.

(4) Except as provided in subsection (7), a bill creating or revising a criminal offense or a bill with a recommended amendment that creates or revises a criminal offense may only be favorably reported back to the House by the Judiciary Committee.

(5) Except as provided in subsection (7), a bill containing an appropriation or a bill with a recommended amendment that contains an appropriation may only be favorably reported back to the House by the Appropriations Committee.

(6) Except as provided in subsection (7), a bill to which subsections (4) and (5) do not apply may only be favorably reported back to the House by the Ways and Means Committee. However, if such a bill is tie barred to another bill to which subsections (4) or (5) do apply, then the former may be reported back to the House by the same committee as the latter.

(7) The following committees may favorably report any bill back to the House:

- (a) Appropriations
- (b) Judiciary
- (c) Government Operations
- (d) Ways and Means
- (e) Any special or select committee

### **Public Hearings.**

Rule 39. A committee may provide for a public hearing. Notice of such hearing, its subject, time and place, shall be given in writing to the Clerk of the House who shall announce the hearing, and publish it in the House Journal prior to the meeting. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 17)

## **CHAPTER V TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS**

### **Order of Business.**

Rule 40. (1) The order of business of the House shall be as follows, unless otherwise ordered by the House:

- (a) Motions and Resolutions;
- (b) Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment;
- (c) Reports of Select Committees;
- (d) Reports of Standing Committees;
- (e) Messages from the Senate;
- (f) Third Reading;
- (g) Second Reading;
- (h) Notices;
- (i) Messages from the Governor;
- (j) Comments and Recommendations;
- (k) Explanation of "No" Votes;
- (l) Communications from State Officers;
- (m) Introduction of Bills;
- (n) Announcements by the Clerk; and
- (o) Presentation of Petitions.

(2) Routine business on which no vote of the House is required may be disposed of on any day, with or without a quorum present. If a quorum is not present, any item of business becoming the subject of a floor motion shall be postponed to the next legislative day.

(3) The business of the House shall not be delayed or interrupted by speeches by nonmembers, presentations, awards, ceremonies or musical programs. Except for invocations and joint sessions of the House and Senate, nonmembers are not permitted to give speeches on the floor of the House or in the gallery.

## **BILLS**

### **Introduction.**

Rule 41. (1) All bills to be introduced shall be approved as to form and numbering of sections by the Legislative Service Bureau and be signed by the Member introducing them. Ten copies of each shall be delivered to the office of the Clerk by the sponsoring or co-sponsoring Member not later than 3 hours prior to calling the House to order, unless permitted by a simple majority vote of those voting. If the sponsoring or co-sponsoring Member is unable to deliver the ten copies to the office of the Clerk due to a family or medical exigency, then the leader of that Member's caucus may deliver the copies on his or her behalf. The Clerk shall number bills in the order of receiving, and present the same to the House at the next session of the House. All bills shall be introduced in printed form.

(2) Once a bill has been turned in to the Clerk's office for introduction, up to 3 hours prior to calling the House to order, a Member may add his or her signature as a co-sponsor only with the permission of the sponsor.

(3) No person may add or remove any signature, other than his or her own, from a bill being introduced.

(4) The Speaker shall refer all bills and joint resolutions to a standing committee no later than one House legislative day after being submitted to the Clerk.

(5) The Speaker may change the original referral of a bill or resolution by written communication submitted to the Clerk before the end of session on the next House legislative day following the day of the original referral. Notice of the referral shall be announced by the Clerk and printed in the Journal.

### **Order of Consideration.**

Rule 42. (1) The order to be taken by bills introduced in the House shall be as follows:

(a) Notice of introduction;

(b) Introduction, first reading of title, order printed or reproduced and reference to a standing committee designated by the Speaker;

(c) Report by the committee(s), pursuant to rule 38, and placing on Second Reading;

(d) Consideration of Second Reading;

(e) Third Reading and vote on passage;

(f) Transmission to Senate if passed;

(g) Returned by the Senate, and, if not amended by the Senate, reference to the Clerk for enrollment printing; if amended by the Senate, laying over one day, and consideration under the same order of business (Messages from the Senate); and (if amendments are concurred in) reference to the Clerk for enrollment printing;

(h) Returned by the Governor with a line-item or a full veto, and such bill shall be taken immediately unless a quorum is not present, in which case it will lay over one day; and

(i) Report by Clerk of enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor. Senate bills shall, as far as possible, take the same course as House bills.

(2) All joint resolutions shall take the same course as bills and shall be identified by letter, i.e., "A", "B", "C", etc.

(3) Nothing in these rules shall prevent a majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House from discharging a committee from further consideration of any measure. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 16) A notice of one session day shall be given of a motion to discharge any such committee, the notice to be in writing and entered upon the House Journal. If a committee of the House is discharged from further consideration of a bill, the bill shall be placed on the order of Second Reading and if a committee of the House is discharged from further consideration of a resolution the resolution shall be placed on the order of Motions and Resolutions.

### **Reading.**

Rule 43. (1) Every bill shall be read three times in the House before its final passage. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26) The first and second readings may be by its title only; the third reading may be by its title unless there is a motion to read the bill in full supported by 1/3 of Members voting.

(2) No bill shall be passed or become a law at any regular session until it has been printed or reproduced and in the possession of the House for at least five days. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26)

(3) The Speaker or his or her designee may direct that a bill be printed or reproduced out of order.

### **Commitment and Amendment.**

Rule 44. No bill shall be referred to a committee until it has been read a first time. No bill shall be altered or amended on its passage through the House so as to change its original purpose as determined by its total content and not alone by its title. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 24)

### **Referral to Second Reading.**

Rule 45. All bills reported favorably by a committee of the House in accordance with Rule 38 shall be referred to the order of Second Reading. Such bills shall be kept on file in the order of referral for consideration, and the file shall be called "Second Reading".

### **Second Reading.**

Rule 46. When the House is under the order of "Second Reading" it shall consider the bills in such order as may be determined by a majority of those voting.

### **Second Reading Amendment.**

Rule 47. (1) Under the order of Second Reading, bills shall be read a second time by their title. Committee recommendations, including amendments and substitutes, shall be considered first. Amendments to committee substitutes or committee amendments shall not be considered until such committee substitutes or amendments have been adopted by the House. Amendments offered from the floor shall be submitted to the Clerk and shall be approved as to form by the Clerk before consideration.

(2) When a substitute is offered, amendments to the proposed substitute shall not be considered before the proposed substitute is adopted.

(3) A bill may be advanced to the order of Third Reading by a vote of a majority of the Members voting. Such motion shall take precedence following the motion to amend.

#### **Amendment; Vote.**

Rule 48. No bill shall be amended prior to its Second Reading. Bills which have been considered on Second Reading shall be advanced to the order of Third Reading, either by motion and concurrence of a majority of the Members voting or in the absence of objection. Bills shall be subject to all subsidiary motions on Third Reading. Amendments offered on Third Reading shall not be considered, nor printed in the House Journal, unless seconded by a majority of the Members voting. Amendments on Second or Third Reading shall require a majority of the Members elected and serving for adoption. This requirement shall apply to amendments in the first and second degree and no further degree shall be permitted.

#### **Third Reading.**

Rule 49. (1) Bills may not be considered for final passage without having been considered on Second Reading. Bills considered on Second Reading may be placed on Third Reading for immediate passage by motion and concurrence of a majority of the Members elected and serving.

(2) Bills failing of passage are subject to reconsideration and if reconsidered are subject to consideration on the order of Third Reading.

#### **Amendment; Co-sponsors.**

Rule 50. After an amendment has been turned into the Clerk, a Member may not add his or her name as a co-sponsor without the approval of the sponsor.

#### **Majority Vote on Bills.**

Rule 51. (1) No bill shall become a law without the concurrence of a majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House. On the final passage of bills, the votes and names of the Members voting thereon shall be entered in the House Journal. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26)

(2) After a House bill has been passed, or upon final action on a House bill returned from the Senate, a Member may add his or her name as a co-sponsor to a bill with the approval of the sponsor.

#### **Extraordinary Vote Requirements.**

Rule 52. (1) Action by the House on any of the following matters shall require the vote of two-thirds of the Members elected and serving:

- (a) Expulsion of Member (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 16);
- (b) Immediate Effect (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 27);
- (c) Local or Special Act (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 29);
- (d) Private or Local Purpose Appropriation (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 30);
- (e) Overriding Veto or Line Item Veto (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 33);
- (f) Bank and Trust Company Laws (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 43);
- (g) Create Courts of Limited Jurisdiction (See Const 1963, Art 6 § 1);
- (h) Removal of Judges (See Const 1963, Art 6 § 25);
- (i) Long Term State Borrowing (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 15);
- (j) State Land Reserve Designation (See Const 1963, Art 10 § 5);
- (k) Rejection or Reduction of Civil Service Pay Increases (See Const 1963, Art 11 § 5);
- (l) Constitutional Amendment (See Const 1963, Art 12 § 1);
- (m) Exceed Revenue Limits (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 27); and
- (n) Mackinac Bridge Bonds Refunding (See Const 1963, Schedule § 14).

(2) Action by the House on any of the following matters shall require the vote of three-fourths of the Members elected and serving:

(a) Any law which increases the February 1, 1994, statutory limits on the maximum amount of ad valorem property taxes that may be levied for school district operating purposes (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 3); and

(b) Amendment or Repeal of Initiated Law (See Const 1963, Art 2 § 9).

#### **Title; Object; Reference to Compiler's Sections.**

Rule 53. No bill shall embrace more than one object, which shall be expressed in its title. No bill shall be altered or amended on its passage through the House so as to change its original purpose as determined by its total content

and not alone by its title. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 24) If the bill proposes any amendment to existing laws, the sections of which have been assigned compiler's section numbers in the last general compilation of public acts, the title shall contain also a reference to the compiler's sections.

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS IN GENERAL**

### **Stating Motions.**

Rule 54. When a motion is made, and when necessary under the rules, seconded, it shall be stated by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer may require that a motion be submitted in writing. The motion shall be entered upon the House Journal, together with the name of the Member making it, unless withdrawn upon request of the Member making it and by a majority vote of those voting, or ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. If in writing, the motion shall be read aloud by the Clerk before being debated.

### **Procedural Motions.**

Rule 55. Except as otherwise provided in the rules, all procedural motions, including, for purposes of this rule, those for immediate effect, record roll call, and division, shall be made orally after recognition by the Presiding Officer.

### **When in Possession; Withdrawal.**

Rule 56. After a motion has been stated by the Presiding Officer, or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment upon request of the Member making it and by a majority vote of those voting.

### **Precedence of Motions.**

Rule 57. (1) When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except:

- (a) To adjourn;
- (b) To take a recess;
- (c) To reconsider;
- (d) To lay on the table;
- (e) For the previous question;
- (f) To postpone to a day certain;
- (g) To commit;
- (h) To amend; and
- (i) To postpone indefinitely.

(2) Such motions shall take precedence in that order, and shall be decided by a majority vote of those Members voting, except the motion to postpone indefinitely and the motion to amend shall be decided by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving. When a recess is taken with a question pending, the consideration of the question shall be resumed upon reassembling unless otherwise determined. No motion to postpone to a day certain, or to commit, being decided shall be again allowed on the same day and at the same stage of the question. A motion to postpone indefinitely having been decided shall not be subject to reconsideration. When a bill is up for consideration at any stage of procedure, and a motion is made to postpone indefinitely, or to strike out all after the style clause, amendments shall be in order before taking a vote on any such motion.

### **Always in Order; Not Debatable.**

Rule 58. (1) The following motions are not debatable:

- (a) Adjourn;
- (b) Call of the House;
- (c) Recess;
- (d) Previous Question;
- (e) Table or take from the table; and
- (f) Decision of Presiding Officer unless an appeal is taken.

(2) The following motions are debatable but do not open the main question to debate:

- (a) Commit;
- (b) Discharge a committee;
- (c) Postpone to a time certain; and
- (d) Suspension of the Rules.



**Order of Putting Questions.**

Rule 59. All questions shall be put in the order they were moved, except in the case of privileged questions which take precedence as follows:

- (a) Call of the House when quorum is not present;
- (b) Make or give notice of a motion to reconsider;
- (c) Adjourn;
- (d) Recess; and
- (e) Raise a question of privilege.

**Amendments to be Germane.**

Rule 60. No independent or new proposition or new question shall be introduced under color of an amendment. All amendments must be germane to the main question. When the question of germaneness is raised, the Presiding Officer shall rule on the question.

**Division of Question.**

Rule 61. Any Member may call for a division of the question, and if supported by a majority vote of the Members voting, the question shall be divided if its components are so distinct that if one is taken away a substantive proposition shall remain. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

**MOTIONS FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION****Method of Ordering.**

Rule 62. (1) The method of ordering the previous question shall be as follows: Any Member may move the previous question, and the motion shall apply to the pending question only. If the motion is seconded by at least ten Members, the Presiding Officer shall put the question of whether the main question shall be put. After the seconding of the motion for the previous question and prior to ordering the same, a Call of the House may be moved and ordered, but after ordering the previous question nothing shall be in order prior to the decision of the pending question, except:

- (a) Demands for the ayes and nays;
- (b) Points of order;
- (c) Appeals from the decision of the Presiding Officer; and
- (d) A motion to adjourn or to take a recess, which shall be decided without debate.

(2) The effect of the previous question shall be to put an end to all debate and bring the House to a direct vote upon the pending question. If the House shall refuse to order the pending question, the consideration on the subject shall be resumed.

**MOTION TO RECONSIDER****Motions for Reconsideration.**

Rule 63. Any Member may move for a reconsideration of any question on the same or next succeeding legislative session day, if the bill or resolution is still in the possession of the House. Reconsideration of the vote by which a bill passed the House, or any proposition requiring a vote in excess of a majority of Members elected and serving, shall require a majority of the Members elected and serving. The motion to reconsider shall not be renewed the same day. A motion to reconsider any question shall not be subject to any subsidiary motion except to postpone for the day. The question of passing a bill the objections of the Governor notwithstanding shall not be reconsidered more than twice.

**Notice of Reconsideration.**

Rule 64. A notice of intention to move for a reconsideration of any bill that is still in the possession of the House may be given by any Member from the floor or in writing to the Clerk, with the support of 1/3 of the Members elected and serving, which shall be immediately announced by the Clerk, spread upon the House Journal, and the bill shall be retained by the Clerk of the House until after the time expires during which under Rule 63 the motion can be made, either by the Member serving such notice or by any other Member. Notice of intention shall not be in order on the day preceding a recess of one week or more or at a time which would prevent passage of the bill. No other Members may move for reconsideration on the same day that notice of intention to move for a reconsideration is given.

**MOTIONS FOR CALLS OF THE HOUSE****Ordering Calls of the House.**

Rule 65. Calls of the House may be ordered upon motion by a majority of the Members present but the total vote in favor of such Call shall not be less than fifteen in number. A motion for a Call of the House shall not be entertained after the previous question is ordered.

**Procedure.**

Rule 66. After a Call of the House is ordered, the doors shall be closed and the Members shall not be allowed to leave the floor of the House without permission of the Speaker or the Speaker's designees. The roll of the House shall be called by the Clerk. The Sergeant at Arms may be dispatched after the absentees. In such case a list of the absentees shall be furnished by the Clerk to the Sergeant at Arms, who shall deliver such absentees at the bar of the House with all possible speed. In case the Sergeant at Arms shall require assistance in addition to the regularly appointed Assistant Sergeants at Arms of the House, during an authorized Call of the House, the Speaker or Presiding Officer may, upon motion, deputize any person properly qualified, including any member of the Michigan State Police, as a special assistant Sergeant at Arms. The House may proceed to business under a Call of the House pending the arrival of any absentees.

**APPEALS****Form of Question.**

Rule 67. On all appeals from the decisions of the Presiding Officer, the question shall be decided by a majority vote of those voting, by a roll call vote. A tie vote sustains the judgment of the Presiding Officer.

**Tabling Appeals.**

Rule 68. An appeal may be laid on the table but shall not carry with it the subject matter before the House at the time such appeal is taken.

**Amendment or Suspension of Rules.**

Rule 69. (1) Any rule of the House may be amended by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving. No rule shall be amended unless the amendment is in writing and in possession of the House five days prior to its consideration. A rule may be suspended by a vote of three-fifths of the Members shown to be present by the House Journal entries.

(2) Suspension of the rules as applied to matters pertaining to order of business, schedule of legislative sessions and adjournment may be by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving.

**Practice.**

Rule 70. In all cases not provided by the Constitution, the House Rules, or the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, the authority shall be Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure - most current edition.

**House and Concurrent Resolutions.**

Rule 71. (1) The order to be taken by resolutions introduced in the House and received from the Senate shall be as follows:

(a) Every resolution, both House and Concurrent, shall be read to the House and shall either be referred by the Speaker to a committee or may be taken up immediately if agreed to by both the Speaker and Minority Leader.

(b) Reported by the committee and placed on reports of standing committees.

(c) Consideration on reports of standing committees unless discharged from further consideration under Rule 42(3) and placed on the order of Motions and Resolutions.

(d) Transmission to Senate if a concurrent resolution is adopted.

(e) Concurrent resolutions returned with amendment, may be taken up or remain on the order of Messages from the Senate.

(2) Commemorative resolutions must be received in the Clerk's office at least 1 day in advance.

(3) Resolutions of sorrow may be considered immediately upon presentation.

(4) The adoption of any concurrent resolution approving any intertransfer or transfer of any appropriation shall be by record roll call vote.

(5) Each Member shall be limited to introduction of two commemorative resolutions per calendar year. By written agreement, a Member may allow another Member to use that Member's yearly commemorative resolution allotment.

**CHAPTER VI  
PUBLIC ACCESS  
FINANCIAL RECORDS****Access to Financial Records.**

Rule 72. (1) The financial records of the House of Representatives shall be open for public inspection. Upon a written request which describes the financial record sufficiently to enable the House of Representatives to find the financial record, a person has a right to inspect, copy, or receive copies of that financial record of the House of Representatives. Documents shall be available for inspection during normal business hours.

(2) A copy of the House financial records shall be on file with the House Business Office, which shall have overall authority to administer the House financial records under the direction of the Speaker of the House.

(3) As used in this section, "financial record" means a budget, contract, purchase order, an expenditure authorization, voucher, check, warrant, lease, audit report, balance sheet, travel voucher, or allotment account.

(4) The following information contained in legislative financial records is exempt from disclosure under this rule:

(a) Information of a personal nature contained in financial records where the public disclosure of the information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy. Such information would include, but not be limited to, the following:

(i) An employee's social security account number, financial institution record, electronic transfer fund number, deferred compensation, savings bonds, W-2 and W-4 forms, and any court-enforced judgments.

(ii) An employee's health care benefit selection.

(iii) Telephone bill detail including the telephone number and name of individual called.

(iv) Unemployment Compensation and Workers' Disability Compensation records.

(b) Records and information specifically described and exempted from disclosure under statute or subject to attorney-client privilege;

(c) A bid or proposal by a person to enter into a contract or agreement, until the time for the public opening of bids or proposals, or if a public opening is not to be conducted, until the time for the receipt of bids or proposals has expired;

(d) Commercial or financial information or trade secrets voluntarily provided to the House of Representatives;

(e) Communications, notes, and electronic data within the House of Representatives or between the Legislature and other public bodies of an advisory nature;

(f) Internet - use records; and

(g) Any other document or record protected from public disclosure by agreement, contract, House rule, or law.

(5) The House of Representatives may charge a reasonable fee for providing a copy of a financial record. The fee shall be limited to actual mailing costs and to the actual incremental cost of duplication or publication including labor, the cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion of exempt from nonexempt information.

(6) The House of Representatives may also charge a reasonable fee for providing for the inspection of financial records. This fee may include the actual incremental cost of supervising the inspection including labor, the cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion of exempt from nonexempt information.

### **Televising of House Session.**

Rule 73. (1) (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), nothing in these rules shall prohibit the televising of sessions or committee meetings of the Michigan House of Representatives.

(b) During session, members, staff, and guests shall not tape-record, videotape, video record, audio record, broadcast live, or livestream on the house floor without having obtained prior consent from either the Clerk or any member(s) depicted or heard in such recording, broadcast, or livestream.

(2) The televised coverage of sessions and committee meetings of the Michigan House of Representatives by House television shall be made available for dissemination, pursuant to subsection (4).

(3) All televised coverage of House session and committee meetings shall be unedited.

(4) No portion of any coverage (either live or taped), recording, broadcast, or livestream authorized pursuant to subsection (2) or subsection (1)(b) may be utilized in any fashion for campaign or political purposes or to promote or oppose a ballot issue or the candidacy of any person for any elective office. Only accredited news organizations, educational institutions, and non-profit public affairs documentary programs may utilize any portion of the House television feed. No part of the House television feed may be used in any paid commercial advertisements.

## **CHAPTER VII**

### **Personal Privilege and Conduct.**

Rule 74. (1) Matters involving personal privilege are limited and include only the following:

(a) Anything tending to subject a Member to ridicule or contempt;

(b) Charges in news media accounts relating to a Member in his or her representative capacity only;

(c) News media accounts attributing to a Member's remarks he or she has not made;

(d) Accusation by another Member in debate of intentional misrepresentation;

(e) Assault on a Member for words spoken in debate; and

(f) Arrest of a Member except for treason, felony or breach of the peace.

(2) Sexual harassment of Members or House employees is prohibited and will not be tolerated by the House.

(3) A Member shall not use his or her position in any manner to solicit or obtain anything of value for himself or herself, House employees or any other Member which tends to influence the manner in which the Member performs his or her official duties.

(4) A Member shall not convert for personal, business and/or campaign use, unrelated to House business, any supplies, services, facilities, or staff provided by the State of Michigan. This includes, but is not limited to, telephones, telecopy machines, computers, postage, and copy machines.

(5) A Member shall not solicit or accept any type of campaign contribution in any House facility or building.

(6) A Member shall conduct himself or herself to justify the confidence placed in him or her by the people and shall, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, maintain the integrity and responsibility of his or her office.

(7) A Member shall not engage in any conduct that materially impairs the ability of the Member to perform the duties of his or her office or substantially impair the public confidence in the House.

(8) A Member shall adhere to these rules and all applicable laws. Any violation of law or these rules by a Member is subject to the House's plenary authority to reprimand, censure, or expel its Members. A reprimand, censure, or expulsion is in addition to any potential civil or criminal penalties otherwise provided by law.

### **Expungement of Records and Petitions.**

Rule 75. (1) Any Member may dissent from and protest against any act, proceeding or resolution which he or she deems injurious to any person or the public and have the reason for such dissent entered in the House Journal. Any matter may be expunged from the record as not being privileged by order of the House by a majority of the Members elected and serving. When any matter is ordered expunged from the record, as above provided, no mention shall be made of the same, nor of the action of the House in ordering such expungement.

(2) No memorial, remonstrance or petition, except recount petitions, shall be printed in the House Journal without having been read to the House and ordered printed in the House Journal by a majority vote.

## **QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS**

### **Oath of Office.**

Rule 76. Upon objection by any Representative or Representative-elect, no Representative-elect shall be given the oath of office or be permitted to be seated as a Member if he or she fails to meet any of the qualifications for office. (See, e.g., Const 1963, Art 4 § 7) Upon a finding by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving in the House that such Representative-elect fails to meet any of the qualifications for office, that person shall be declared to be not qualified for membership in the House, and the office shall be declared vacant. The question of a Member's qualifications shall be presented only by a Member.

## **CHAPTER VIII**

### **Equally Divided House.**

Rule 77. If at any time during the Hundredth legislative session, there are 55 Members duly elected and serving as Democrats as evidenced by the party he or she represented on the general or special election ballot from which he or she was elected to the Hundredth legislative session, and 55 Members duly elected and serving as Republicans as evidenced by the party he or she represented on the general or special election ballot from which he or she was elected to the Hundredth legislative session, then the House of Representatives shall proceed with the election of a Speaker and other officers provided for in Rule 1 by at least 56 votes.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

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The Clerk announced that the next business in order was the election of a Speaker.

Rep. Kahle placed in nomination the name of Rep. Chatfield.

Rep. Cole moved that Rule 17 be suspended.

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

Rep. Cole moved that the following remarks be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Kahle:

"Thank you, Mr. Clerk. It is a true honor to rise today to nominate an authentic servant leader, a man of extraordinary integrity, my friend and my colleague, to the position of Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives.

Actions speak louder than words, and I have witnessed the actions of Representative Lee Chatfield, and have seen firsthand that he is a true and trustworthy leader. He respects our constitution, he respects this Chamber, and he cares deeply for the people of the great state of Michigan. This man will continue to fight tirelessly for a brighter future for everyone.

Great leaders are strong, but also humble. Great leaders maintain a positive focus and optimism, regardless of what is going on around them. Great leaders are accountable, transparent, face issues head on and work hard to find solutions. Lee Chatfield is such a leader. As a former teacher, coach, and father of five, he has a heart for others and works harder and has more energy than anyone I have ever known.

Representative Chatfield does not just talk the talk—he walks the walk. Since taking office, he has stayed focused on what matters and hasn't been afraid to tackle big issues. Thanks to his leadership, we are accelerating the reconstruction of roads and bridges with the largest investment in state history. There is record school funding, with local K-12 schools receiving the most state funding than ever before. State government debt has been reduced by billions of dollars so our children and grandchildren don't get saddled with the bill. With unemployment at a near 19-year low, more Michigan workers know the dignity and respect that come with a good job, and our students have promising career opportunities ahead of them, right here at home. I am proud to say that Lee Chatfield has been an integral part of our state's great comeback.

Progress and achievement do not come without challenges and obstacles, and Lee faces a challenge with grace. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, 'The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.' When challenges arise, I have seen Lee Chatfield lead by example with optimism, respect, and a collaborative spirit. He is ready to work with the new Governor and Legislature to advance solutions that will continue driving Michigan forward. Representative Chatfield's work ethic and record prove that he is committed to achieving meaningful results for every man, woman, and child across our great state.

As we gather today, it is with confidence and pride that I nominate a true leader, a tireless advocate for our state and its residents, and my friend, the representative of the 107th District, Lee Chatfield to the position of Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives."

Rep. Greig seconded the nomination of Rep. Chatfield.

Rep. Greig:

"Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

I rise today on behalf of the House Democratic Caucus – and the millions of Michiganders we have the honor to represent – to second the motion made by Representative Kahle to nominate Representative Lee Chatfield for Speaker of the House.

Over the course of the last few months working together to set up our caucuses and the state House for success, I have heard you say clearly that you want the 100th Legislature to be one of cooperation and bipartisanship.

A Legislature marked not by contentious partisan divides, but instead marked by good public policy and good governance.

Last November, Michiganders in every corner of our great peninsulas sent a strong message that they are tired of politics as usual.

They made it clear they want leaders in Lansing to put aside party differences and work together to tackle the real challenges facing Michigan's working families.

While in many respects, Representative Chatfield and I are quite different, I believe we share a common goal of working together in a bipartisan fashion to make sure Michiganders can count on their state government to get the job done...

To guarantee every community has clean, safe drinking water.

To rebuild Michigan's infrastructure and finally fix our dangerous and crumbling roads.

To prioritize equitable funding in our public schools and create new pathways to the skills and training needed to make Michigan even more competitive in the coming years.

And to ensure every Michigander – regardless of the size of their bank account or their ZIP code – has access to comprehensive and affordable health care.

This chamber has come together in the past to achieve remarkable policy victories, including passing transformative legislation to increase government transparency and accountability in each of the last two sessions -- something I hope we do again this session.

At a time when partisan divides throughout the country seem deeper than ever, our shared commitment to solving the serious challenges facing us here in Michigan can bridge that divide and put us on a path to a bright, shared future.

Together, I am confident our members can work together to fulfill the commitments we made to get the job done for Michigan families in this 100<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

I also want to thank you and your beautiful family – your wife Stephanie and children, Lee II, Matthew, Noah, Payge and Lincoln – for being willing to take on the sacrifices inherent in leading this chamber for the next two years in our new political landscape that requires teamwork, open communications and yes, even compromise. The 100<sup>th</sup> Legislature will certainly be historic as we accept our role in this divided government with humility, grace and focus.

It is in the spirit of bipartisan teamwork, I encourage my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join me in supporting the nomination of Representative Lee Chatfield as the next Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives.”

The question being on the election of a Speaker,

The roll of the House was called by the Assistant Clerk and the members voted as follows:

#### Roll Call No. 1

#### Yeas—110

Afendoulis	Filler	Kahle	Reilly
Albert	Frederick	Kennedy	Rendon
Alexander	Garrett	Koleszar	Robinson
Allor	Garza	Kuppa	Sabo
Anthony	Gay-Dagnogo	LaFave	Schroeder
Bellino	Glenn	LaGrand	Shannon
Berman	Green	Lasinski	Sheppard
Bolden	Greig	Leutheuser	Slagh
Bollin	Griffin	Liberati	Sneller
Brann	Guerra	Lightner	Sowerby
Brixie	Haadsma	Lilly	Stone
Byrd	Hall	Love	Tate
Calley	Hammoud	Lower	VanSingel
Cambensy	Hauck	Maddock	VanWoerkom
Camilleri	Hernandez	Manoogian	Vaupel
Carter, B.	Hertel	Marino	Wakeman
Carter, T.	Hoadley	Markkanen	Warren
Chatfield	Hoitenga	Meerman	Webber
Cherry	Hood	Miller	Wendzel
Chirkun	Hope	Mueller	Wentworth
Clemente	Hornberger	Neeley	Whiteford
Cole	Howell	O'Malley	Whitsett
Coleman	Huizenga	Pagan	Wittenberg
Crawford	Iden	Paquette	Witwer
Eisen	Inman	Peterson	Wozniak
Elder	Johnson, C.	Pohutsky	Yancey
Ellison	Johnson, S.	Rabhi	Yaroch
Farrington	Jones		

#### Nays—0

The Clerk announced that Rep. Chatfield, having received a majority vote of the members present and voting, was duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Chatfield:

“Thank you, colleagues, for entrusting me with this responsibility – By God’s grace and with good counsel I will perform this role to the absolute best of my ability and will always strive to be honest about the process and fair with each member.

I begin with a simple principle, one that we all should commit to, and live by, for as long as we serve. That it is our responsibility to be the voice of the people we represent.

Whatever success we have, we all know it starts at home with our families. I would like to thank from the bottom of my heart, my wife, Stephanie, and our five children for their understanding, support and love; but

also a thank you to every spouse and all the family and friends in this chamber that sacrificed so much to make this day possible for each of us. Unfortunately today, politics can be ugly; but you stood with us through the entire process, and for that we owe you a debt of gratitude. Colleagues, please join me in thanking our families and friends in attendance today.

We should also pause, reflect and thank Almighty God, not only for the blessings of freedom that He's bestowed upon our nation and state, but for the privilege of serving within this institution and having the opportunity and responsibility to work for the people of this great state.

Colleagues, as we embark on the beginning of this historic 100th Legislature, I believe it is altogether fitting and proper that we should offer our appreciation to those who have come before us and paved the way for our service. We should acknowledge their devotion to the institution that we now serve and for the accomplishments achieved under their tenure. We are blessed this afternoon to have eight former Speakers of the House present with us, representing far more than any party or creed, but rather so many combined years of dedication to our state and this chamber. Will our special guests please rise, and colleagues, will you join me in welcoming these former Speakers back to the Michigan House of Representatives.

Members – throughout the last year, we all put in countless hours and traveled many miles across our districts to earn the support of our neighbors and with the hope to serve in this very body. But today marks a new journey. The campaign trail has ended, and now it's time to begin the much more important and difficult task of governing.

The State of Michigan has made incredible strides over these past eight years, and our local communities and families are all better off for it. You can see it, and feel it, all around us. That can-do spirit that was always an integral part of the Michigan way of life is back. Our schools, our economy, even our state government, all stand on much firmer foundations than they did just a decade ago. That is something to be proud of. But there is still much more we can, and need, to do to keep this state moving in the right direction. The people we represent are not only asking for it, they deserve it.

We must ensure that the infrastructure of our state is efficiently and effectively funded and with the proper oversight channels in place that can guarantee safe roads and clean drinking water. As a Great Lakes state, no one should be denied good roads and clean water, and no student in our state should have to worry when they use the drinking fountain at school. The time for pointing fingers and assigning blame is over. It's now time we shoulder the responsibility, work collaboratively and find solutions.

The state of Michigan also ranks dead last among all states in government transparency, but this House will put an end to this dark-age in Michigan politics. It is well past time we turn the page and begin a new chapter of accountability and openness to the people we serve. This chamber has led in a strong, bipartisan fashion on this reform in the past, and this chamber will step up and lead on this issue again. And we won't stop until we get it done. The people have the right to know the truth about what their government is doing, and we have the responsibility to tell them the truth.

Additional improvements are still needed to reform our criminal justice system to ensure we're providing real opportunities for those re-entering our society and that we are not over-criminalizing our citizens.

And the time has finally come for us to thoughtfully, yet diligently, address what I believe to be the single largest issue holding back our state and saddling hard-working families and seniors with burdensome costs. As the automotive state, it is unacceptable that we pay the most in the country for car insurance. (PAUSE) The solution cannot be dictated by the insurance industry, and the solution cannot be dictated by health care executives. The simple truth is that any real solution must make car insurance more affordable and meet the needs of drivers all across our state, no matter where they live. From Detroit to Dowogiac, and from Kalamazoo to the Keweenaw, the people we represent deserve relief – and we will deliver it.

We're from Michigan, which means we find ways to get things done. So let's roll up our sleeves and get to work for the people of our state.

I have a question for everyone sitting here in this Chamber. How do we successfully tackle these issues and solve the challenges facing our constituents without addressing the more systematic problem of extreme partisanship that is plaguing DC and our institutions nationwide? How do we move the state forward without a willingness cooperate with one another? In his farewell address to the nation, President Washington warned of the dangers of party and believed that the name American should always exalt the just pride of patriotism, for though we had - and even still have - shades of difference, we have much more that brings us together.

Political parties didn't build this country, and political parties won't keep it together. What made our nation great and brought favor upon it was a mutual belief in the founding principles of our Declaration of Independence that state, 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men.' It was our driving belief that the policies of our state and nation should not conflict with Natural Law or Revealed Law, and this agreement in philosophy led to necessary compromises on policy.

To be clear, I am not saying we will not have our differences. Of course we will. And I will never, nor should any other member, compromise the principles upon which you ran for office; nor should you shy away from speaking through conviction of your sincerely held beliefs. But without any element of compromise on policies, our state government cannot operate.



Without compromise, our schools will not be funded. Without compromise, our roads will not be fixed; and without compromise, car insurance will never be affordable. But compromise is a two-way street where every representative seeks to participate in the process and doesn't obstruct merely for political gain or self-promotion. We must be more dedicated, whether in the majority or the minority, to legislate by sound policy rather than social media posts and press releases. We don't just have an opportunity to do this; we have a duty.

We are not Washington, D.C., and let's ensure we don't become it. While they're plagued with an inability to cooperate and be civil with one another, we will show them how to lead. Members, it's not unreasonable to disagree from time to time, but it is reasonable that we treat one another, whether in the legislature or administration, with respect at all times.

This House will not be obstructionists. This House will work with Senate Majority Leader Shirkey and our legislative counterparts in the Senate. We will stand by our principles and also work alongside our governor and the administration. For though we are in different political parties, the success of Governor Whitmer means the success of the state of Michigan. And I will work every single day for that success, because that's what the people of Michigan deserve.

It was President Kennedy who said, 'The rights of man come from the hand of God, not the generosity of the state.' Well, that same God has given us a unique opportunity today. Let us not become so enamored with our new positions of influence that we forget this basic truth and ignore those whom we serve. We must be willing to listen, learn and deliver meaningful results for the people we represent.

May each of us be thankful to serve in this Capitol. We live in the greatest nation on the Earth, and may we remember that each day when we stand with our hands over hearts, pledge allegiance to that flag and thank God for the blessings of freedom and the chance to live under the red, white and blue. May we remember those who have come before us, and through humble service, allow their legacy to live on. The people of our state deserve a government that works for them and operates efficiently. We can deliver these results. We will deliver these results.

As an eighth-generation northern Michigan resident, it's an absolute honor having the opportunity to wake up every morning and work for the people of Michigan. Across this state are the streets we rode our bikes on. These are the towns we played sports in. These are the lakes we swam in and the rivers we fished in. Michigan is our home, and anything that will improve the lives of those that we serve, we will fight for every single day. Because ultimately, whether Republican or Democrat, we're all on Team Michigan in this House.

Partisanship should only have its place on Election Day, and we should leave it at the door when we enter this chamber. It's time to govern.

May God bless you, this House chamber, the state of Michigan and the United States of America. Thank you."

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 2.**

A resolution to provide for Jason Wentworth to be Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the Hundredth Legislature.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Jason Wentworth is elected to the office of Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the Hundredth Legislature.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

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

**Roll Call No. 2**

**Yeas—110**

Afendoulis	Filler	Kahle	Reilly
Albert	Frederick	Kennedy	Rendon
Alexander	Garrett	Koleszar	Robinson
Allor	Garza	Kuppa	Sabo
Anthony	Gay-Dagnogo	LaFave	Schroeder
Bellino	Glenn	LaGrand	Shannon
Berman	Green	Lasinski	Sheppard
Bolden	Greig	Leutheuser	Slagh
Bollin	Griffin	Liberati	Sneller
Brann	Guerra	Lightner	Sowerby
Brixie	Haadsma	Lilly	Stone
Byrd	Hall	Love	Tate
Calley	Hammoud	Lower	VanSingel
Cambensy	Hauck	Maddock	VanWoerkom
Camilleri	Hernandez	Manoogian	Vaupel



Carter, B.	Hertel	Marino	Wakeman
Carter, T.	Hoadley	Markkanen	Warren
Chatfield	Hoitenga	Meerman	Webber
Cherry	Hood	Miller	Wendzel
Chirkun	Hope	Mueller	Wentworth
Clemente	Hornberger	Neeley	Whiteford
Cole	Howell	O'Malley	Whitsett
Coleman	Huizenga	Pagan	Wittenberg
Crawford	Iden	Paquette	Witwer
Eisen	Inman	Peterson	Wozniak
Elder	Johnson, C.	Pohutsky	Yancey
Ellison	Johnson, S.	Rabhi	Yaroch
Farrington	Jones		

**Nays—0**

In The Chair: Chatfield

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 3.**

A resolution to provide for the Clerk of the House of Representatives for the Hundredth Legislature.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Gary L. Randall is elected to the office of Clerk of the House of Representatives for the Hundredth Legislature.

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

**Roll Call No. 3****Yeas—110**

Afendoulis	Filler	Kahle	Reilly
Albert	Frederick	Kennedy	Rendon
Alexander	Garrett	Koleszar	Robinson
Allor	Garza	Kuppa	Sabo
Anthony	Gay-Dagnogo	LaFave	Schroeder
Bellino	Glenn	LaGrand	Shannon
Berman	Green	Lasinski	Sheppard
Bolden	Greig	Leutheuser	Slagh
Bollin	Griffin	Liberati	Sneller
Brann	Guerra	Lightner	Sowerby
Brixie	Haadsma	Lilly	Stone
Byrd	Hall	Love	Tate
Carter, B.	Hammoud	Lower	VanSingel
Carter, T.	Hauck	Maddock	VanWoerkom
Calley	Hernandez	Manoogian	Vaupel
Cambensy	Hertel	Marino	Wakeman
Camilleri	Hoadley	Markkanen	Warren
Chatfield	Hoitenga	Meerman	Webber
Cherry	Hood	Miller	Wendzel
Chirkun	Hope	Mueller	Wentworth
Clemente	Hornberger	Neeley	Whiteford
Cole	Howell	O'Malley	Whitsett
Coleman	Huizenga	Pagan	Wittenberg
Crawford	Iden	Paquette	Witwer
Eisen	Inman	Peterson	Wozniak
Elder	Johnson, C.	Pohutsky	Yancey
Ellison	Johnson, S.	Rabhi	Yaroch
Farrington	Jones		

**Nays—0**

In The Chair: Chatfield

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 4.**

A resolution fixing the hour for daily sessions.

Resolved, That unless otherwise ordered, the daily sessions of the House of Representatives commence on Tuesday and Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and on Thursday at 12:00 noon.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 5.**

A resolution directing the Clerk to notify the Governor that the House of Representatives has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to notify the Governor that the House of Representatives has convened pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Cole and Rabhi offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 6.**

A resolution directing the Clerk to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has convened pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

**Messages from the Senate**

January 9, 2019

The Honorable Lee Chatfield  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Capitol Building  
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Mr. Speaker:

By direction of the Senate, I hereby notify you that a quorum of the Senate has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Very respectfully,  
Margaret O'Brien  
Secretary of the Senate

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.**

A concurrent resolution granting authority for adjournment for more than 2 days.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That each house hereby grants unto the other permission to adjourn for not more than 15 intervening calendar days at such times as each house shall determine at any time during the 2019 and 2020 regular sessions.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2.**

A concurrent resolution for the adoption of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the following rules be and are hereby adopted as the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives:

**JOINT RULES  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE**

Transmission of Messages.

Rule 1. All messages necessary for conducting legislative business between the two houses shall be communicated in writing and electronically by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Amendments.

Rule 2. It shall be in the power of either house to amend an amendment made by the other to any bill, resolution, or alternative measure as defined in Rule 29.

Conference Committees.

Rule 3. (a) The house not concurring in the amendments of the other house shall appoint conferees and notify the amending house of its action. The amending house shall request return of the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, or appoint conferees. The conference committee shall consist of three members from each house, to be appointed as each house may determine. The first named member of the house in which the bill, resolution, or alternative measure originated shall be chairperson of the conference committee. Upon appointment of conferees by both houses, the bill, resolution, or alternative measure shall be referred to the conference committee. When one house amends or substitutes a bill, resolution, or alternative measure that has been returned for concurrence from the other house, but then non-concurs in that bill, resolution, or alternative measure as amended or substituted, those amendments or that substitute shall not be referred to the conference committee. The conference committee shall serve until the conference report has been adopted by both houses or rejected by a house.

(b) The conference committee shall consist of committees of the two houses with those two committees voting separately while in conference. The adoption of a conference report shall require concurring majorities of the members of each house. The conference committees of the two houses shall vote separately while in conference. The majority of each committee shall constitute a quorum of each committee and shall determine the position to be taken toward the propositions of the conference committee. If the conferees agree, a report shall be made which shall be signed by at least a majority of the conferees of each house who were present and voted in the conference committee meeting to adopt the report. The bill, resolution, or alternative measure, including the original signed conference report and three copies, shall be filed in the house of origin where the question shall be on the adoption of the conference report. If the conference report is adopted in the house of origin, the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, including the original signed conference report, and two copies of the conference report shall be transmitted to the other house where the question shall be on the adoption of the conference report. If the conference report is adopted in the other house, the bill, resolution, or alternative measure and the original signed copy of the conference report shall be returned to the house of origin and referred for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor, filing with the Secretary of State, or filing for record with the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Conference Committee Clerk.

Rule 4. The conference committee clerk shall be from the house of origin, who shall notify the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives of all scheduled meetings for public posting and shall deliver written notice to each member of the conference committee and the majority and minority leaders of each house indicating the time and place of all scheduled meetings. Conference committees on appropriation bills may use fiscal agency personnel from the same house as the Chairperson for clerks.

Conference Report: Rejection.

Rule 5. If the conference report is rejected by the house of origin, it shall appoint second conferees and notify the other house of its action. The procedure shall then be the same as for an original conference.

If the conference report is rejected by the other house, it shall appoint second conferees, notify the house of origin of its action, and transmit the bill, resolution, or alternative measure to the house of origin. Upon receipt of the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, the house of origin shall appoint second conferees and refer the bill, resolution, or alternative measure to the second conference committee. The procedure shall then be the same as for an original conference.

Disagreement of Conferees.

Rule 6. If the conferees are unable to agree, a report of that fact shall be made to both houses. The report that the conferees were unable to agree shall be signed by at least a majority of the conferees of each house who were present and voted in the conference committee meeting to adopt the report. The bill, resolution, or alternative measure, including the original signed conference report that the conferees were unable to agree, and three copies shall be filed in the house of origin. Both houses shall appoint second conferees, and the house of origin shall refer the bill, resolution, or alternative measure to the second conference committee. The procedure shall then be the same as for an original conference.

Second Conference: Failure.

Rule 7. When a second conference committee fails to reach agreement, or when a second conference report is rejected by either house, no further conference is in order.

#### Power of Conferees.

Rule 8. The conference committee shall not consider any matters other than the matters of difference between the two houses.

For all bills making appropriations, adoption of a substitute by either house shall not open identical provisions contained in the other house-passed version of the bill as a matter of difference; nor shall the adoption of a substitute by either house open provisions not contained in either house version of the bill as a matter of difference.

When the conferees arrive at an agreement on the matters of difference that affects other parts of the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, the conferees may recommend amendments to conform with the agreement. In addition, the conferees may also recommend technical amendments to the other parts of the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, such as, necessary date revisions, adjusting totals, cross-references, misspelling and punctuation corrections, conflict amendments for bills enacted into law, additional anticipated federal or other flow through funding, and corrections to any errors in the bill, resolution, or alternative measure or the title.

#### Adoption of Conference Report.

Rule 9. Conference reports shall not be subject to amendments or division. The vote on conference reports shall be taken by “yeas” and “nays” and shall require the same number of votes constitutionally required for passage of the bill or adoption of the resolution or alternative measure. Conference reports shall not be considered until they are made available to the public on the Internet; this requirement may, however, be suspended by a house by a majority vote in that house, provided that a copy of the conference report has been made available to each Member.

#### Conference Reports: Points of Order.

Rule 10. Points of order regarding conference reports shall be decided by the presiding officer, subject to an appeal, which appeal shall be determined by a majority vote. When a conference report is ruled out of order, the conference report is returned to the originating conference committee with instructions to eliminate from the report such matters as have been declared not within the powers of the conferees to consider.

#### Either House May Recede.

Rule 11. At any time while in possession of the bill, resolution, or alternative measure, either house may recede from its position in whole or in part, and the bill, resolution, or alternative measure upon request may be returned to the other house for that purpose. If this further action is agreed to by both houses, the bill, resolution, or alternative measure shall be referred for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor, filing with the Secretary of State, or filing for record with the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House of Representatives.

#### Correction of Errors.

Rule 12. If errors are found in a bill, resolution, or alternative measure which has been passed or adopted by both houses, the house in which the bill, resolution, or alternative measure originated may make amendments to correct the errors and shall notify the other house of its action. If the corrective amendments are agreed to by the other house, the corrected bill, resolution, or alternative measure shall be referred for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor, filing with the Secretary of State, or filing for record with the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House of Representatives.

In addition, the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, shall correct obvious technical errors in the enrolled bill, resolution, or alternative measure, including adjusting totals, misspellings, the omission or redundancy of grammatical articles, cross-references, punctuation, updating bill, resolution, or alternative measure titles, capitalization, citation formats, and plural or singular word forms.

#### Bills and Joint Resolutions.

Rule 13. Upon introduction, no bill shall include catch lines, a severing clause, or a general repealing clause, as distinguished from a specific or an express repealing clause. The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall delete such catch lines and clauses from all bills.

The same joint resolution shall not propose an amendment to the Constitution on more than one subject matter. However, more than one section of the Constitution may be included in the same joint resolution if the subject matter of each section is germane to the proposed amendment.

#### Yeas and Nays.

Rule 14. The yeas and nays shall be taken and printed in the Journal of the house taking action upon the passage or adoption of any bill, joint resolution, alternative measure, conference report, and amendments made by the other house to a bill, joint resolution, or alternative measure.

#### No Members Present.

Rule 15. In the event the presiding officer and all members are absent on a day scheduled for meeting, the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, shall call that house to order at the designated time and announce the absence of a quorum. That house shall be declared adjourned until the succeeding legislative day and hour previously designated.

In any event where either or both houses of the Legislature adjourns to a date certain for more than two days, a committee composed of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may, by a unanimous vote of that committee, convene either or both houses of the Legislature at any time in case of emergency.

If a gubernatorial appointment that is subject to the advice and consent process is made at a time such that 60 days would lapse during an extended recess of the Senate, the Senate Majority Leader may schedule a session of the Senate for the sole purpose of carrying out the Senate's constitutional duties to advise and consent on gubernatorial appointments. No other action shall be taken by the Senate during session convened under this provision. The Senate Majority Leader shall notify the Secretary of the Senate at least 10 calendar days prior to the date of the scheduled session, and the Secretary of the Senate shall take all reasonable steps to notify the members of the Senate of the scheduled session.

#### Passage, Adoption, and Enrollment Printing.

Rule 16. Every bill passed or joint resolution or alternative measure adopted by both houses and returned to the house of origin shall forthwith be enrolled and signed by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives. Enrolled bills shall be presented to the Governor, and enrolled joint resolutions that propose an amendment to the Constitution and alternative measures that propose a different measure upon the same subject as a rejected law proposed by initiative petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State with a certificate attached to the effect that the joint resolution or alternative measure has been adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. If the house having last passed the bill or adopted the joint resolution or alternative measure requests its return and such request is granted or a motion is made in the house of origin to amend errors in the bill, joint resolution, or alternative measure, or to give the bill immediate effect, the enrollment printing shall not occur.

Every bill, joint resolution, alternative measure, or concurrent resolution passed or adopted by either house shall be transmitted to the other house unless a motion for reconsideration is pending.

#### Immediate Effect.

Rule 17. Whenever both houses, by the constitutional vote, order that a bill take immediate effect, a statement shall be added at the enrollment of the bill in words to this effect: "This act is ordered to take immediate effect."

#### Joint Resolutions.

Rule 18. Joint resolutions shall be used for the following purposes:

1. Amendments to the Constitution of Michigan.
2. Ratification of amendments to the Constitution of the United States submitted by the Congress.
3. Matters upon which power is solely vested in the Legislatures of the several states by the Constitution of the United States.

Joint resolutions proposing amendments to the Constitution of Michigan shall require a 2/3 vote of the members elected and serving in each house for adoption. Other joint resolutions shall require a majority of the members elected and serving in each house for adoption. All joint resolutions shall require a record roll call vote.

#### Veto Override: Filing with Secretary of State.

Rule 19. When a bill is passed by both houses over the objections of the Governor or a bill is not filed by the Governor with the Secretary of State within the constitutionally mandated 14-day period, and the Legislature continues in session, an official enrolled bill with a letter from the house of origin signed by the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as appropriate, shall be filed with the Secretary of State for a public act number to be assigned. The letter shall certify that the Governor's veto has been overridden by both houses of the Legislature or that the bill has not been returned within the specified time, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

#### Section Numbers of Compiled Laws - Amendments.

Rule 20. The title of every bill or alternative measure to amend or repeal existing laws shall be clear and explicit so as to definitely fix what is proposed to be done. Such title shall refer to the act number and the year in which it was passed. If the bill was passed or alternative measure was adopted at an extra session of the Legislature, the title shall designate which extra session.

Such title shall contain the last title of the act it is proposed to amend. However, the short title (e.g., This act shall be known and may be cited as "The revised judiciary act of 1961,") shall be used in acts where it has been defined by legislative enactment. The title shall also contain the chapter, part numbers and compiler's section numbers, if any, and the year of the compilation containing the same.

Following the passage of a bill or adoption of an alternative measure with a short title, the house other than the house of origin shall replace the short title with the last full title of the act it is proposed to amend or repeal. Other corrective amendments to the title shall be made as may be necessary. The full title and amended title shall be agreed to by both houses.

When an amendment to a bill or alternative measure, or a bill or alternative measure to amend an existing law is printed, words proposed to be added to such law shall be printed in upper case bold type, and the words to be omitted shall be printed in stricken-through type. This style requirement also applies to joint resolutions that amend the Constitution of Michigan.

All bills, joint resolutions, and alternative measures introduced, amendments to joint resolutions and alternative measures, substitute bills, joint resolutions, and alternative measures, and conference committee reports shall be approved as to form and section numbers by the Legislative Service Bureau.

Tie-bars.

Rule 21. A bill, resolution, or alternative measure that is tie-barred to a request number shall not be considered for passage or adoption unless that tie-barred request item has been introduced. No bill, resolution, or alternative measure shall be passed or adopted by either house until the tie-barred item has been designated in the appropriate blank space provided.

Elections in Joint Convention.

Rule 22. Whenever there is an election of any officer in joint convention, the result shall be certified by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The results shall be announced by the presiding officers to their respective houses, printed in the Journal of each house, and communicated to the Governor by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Legislative Handbook.

Rule 23. The initial appointment of the standing committee members of the two houses shall be printed in their respective Journals as soon as possible after the announcement. The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall prepare and have printed a legislative handbook containing these appointments and other information they deem appropriate.

Compensation.

Rule 24. Compensation for members, officers, and employees of the Legislature shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, and transmitted directly to the payee.

If the office of a member of the Legislature becomes vacant, the compensation for the elected successor shall begin on the date of his or her oath of office.

Committee Expenses.

Rule 25. No committee created by concurrent resolution shall incur expenses in excess of \$2,500.00 unless authorized in the resolution creating that committee.

Final Adjournment of Regular Sessions.

Rule 26. In the regular session in each year, this rule for adjournment shall govern.

The Majority Floor Leader of the Senate and/or the Majority Floor Leader of the House of Representatives shall introduce a concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment schedule for the Legislature for that regular session.

Daily Adjournment.

Rule 27. Neither house shall remain in session on any legislative day beyond 12:00 midnight. If either house is in session at 12:00 midnight, the presiding officer shall declare that house adjourned until a fixed hour for meeting on the next legislative day. That house shall stand adjourned until the next fixed meeting time.

Pending Business.

Rule 28. Any business, bill, or joint resolution which has not been defeated by either house shall be considered pending under the provisions of Article 4, Section 13 of the Constitution.

It shall not be in order for either house, by suspension of rules or any other means, to reconsider in a subsequent year the vote by which any business, bill, joint resolution, or veto override was defeated in a previous year unless there is a pending motion to reconsider offered in the odd-numbered year.

Alternative Measures.

Rule 29. If the Legislature rejects a law proposed by initiative petition, the Legislature may propose a different ("alternative") measure upon the same subject as provided in Article 2, Section 9, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963. An alternative measure shall be labeled "Alternative Measure No. \_\_\_\_ to a law proposed by Initiative Petition". An alternative measure shall not be considered for a second reading in either house unless a law proposed by initiative petition has been rejected by a house. An alternative measure shall require a majority vote of the members elected and serving in each house for adoption, and the vote shall be by record roll call.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

### **Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3.**

A concurrent resolution prescribing the Joint Convention Rules for the Legislature.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the following be and are hereby adopted as the Joint Convention Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives:

#### **JOINT CONVENTION RULES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

##### **Held in Hall of House.**

Rule 1. Joint conventions shall be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives, or such other location as may be agreed to by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Majority Leader of the Senate. The President of the

Senate or, in the absence of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House shall preside. Before the two houses shall meet in joint convention, a concurrent resolution shall be introduced in one house setting forth the date and hour at which the joint convention shall meet, which, if adopted, shall be transmitted to the other house for concurrence.

**Secretaries-Journals.**

Rule 2. The Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be the secretaries of the joint convention. The proceedings of the joint convention shall be published with the Journals of the House, and the final result, as announced by the President on the return of the Senate to its chamber, shall be entered on the Journals of the Senate.

**Rules of House to Govern.**

Rule 3. The rules of the House of Representatives, so far as the same may be applicable, shall govern the proceedings in joint convention.

**President pro tempore of Convention.**

Rule 4. Whenever the Speaker of the House presides, he or she shall be entitled to vote on all occasions, and in case of a tie, the question shall be declared lost.

**Power to Compel Attendance.**

Rule 5. Joint conventions shall have the power to compel the attendance of absent members in the mode and under the penalties prescribed in the rules of the house to which such members respectively belong, and for that purpose the Sergeant at Arms of each house shall attend.

**May Adjourn from Time to Time.**

Rule 6. Joint conventions may adjourn from time to time, as may be found necessary, and it shall be the duty of the House of Representatives to prepare to receive the Senate, and of the Senate to proceed to the joint convention, at the time fixed by law or resolution, or to which the joint convention may have adjourned.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4.**

A concurrent resolution providing for a joint convention of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Senate and House of Representatives meet in joint convention in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on February 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., to receive the message of Governor Gretchen Whitmer.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

**Motions and Resolutions**

Rep. Cole moved that when the House adjourns today it stands adjourned until Thursday, January 10, at 10:00 a.m. The motion prevailed.

**Introduction of Bills**

Rep. Wentworth introduced

**House Bill No. 4001, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 7521 (MCL 333.7521), as amended by 2015 PA 154, and by adding section 7521a.

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

Rep. LaGrand introduced

**House Bill No. 4002, entitled**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 7523 (MCL 333.7523), as amended by 2016 PA 418, and by adding section 7523a.

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

Reps. Anthony, Filler and Hope introduced

**House Bill No. 4003, entitled**

A bill to amend 1887 PA 128, entitled “An act establishing the minimum ages for contracting marriages; to require a civil license in order to marry and its registration; to provide for the implementation of federal law; and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 551.103), as amended by 2006 PA 578.

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

Reps. Filler, Hope and Anthony introduced

**House Bill No. 4004, entitled**

A bill to amend 1897 PA 180, entitled “An act to provide for the issuance of marriage licenses and certificates without publicity in certain cases; and to provide criminal and civil penalties for violation of this act,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.201), as amended by 1983 PA 199.

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

Reps. Hope, Filler and Anthony introduced

**House Bill No. 4005, entitled**

A bill to amend 1921 PA 352, entitled “An act to prohibit the marriage of a person under 16 years of age and to declare the marriage void,” by amending section 1 (MCL 551.51), as amended by 1983 PA 198.

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

Rep. Bellino introduced

**House Bill No. 4006, entitled**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” by amending section 30 (MCL 206.30), as amended by 2018 PA 589.

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

Reps. Rendon, Guerra, Glenn, Hauck, Lasinski, Schroeder, Berman, Allor and Filler introduced

**House Bill No. 4007, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” by amending section 13 (MCL 15.243), as amended by 2018 PA 68.

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

Reps. Guerra, Hauck, Lasinski, Glenn, Schroeder, Berman, Allor and Filler introduced

**House Bill No. 4008, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” by amending sections 1 and 2 (MCL 15.231 and 15.232), section 1 as amended by 1997 PA 6 and section 2 as amended by 2018 PA 68, and by designating part 1.

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

Reps. Lasinski, Hauck, Glenn, Berman, Allor, Guerra and Filler introduced

**House Bill No. 4009, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding sections 59e and 59f.

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

Reps. Glenn, Hauck, Berman, Filler, Lasinski, Schroeder, Allor and Guerra introduced

**House Bill No. 4010, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding sections 59a and 59b.

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

Reps. Berman, Hauck, Glenn, Lasinski, Schroeder, Allor, Guerra and Filler introduced

**House Bill No. 4011, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding part 2.

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



Reps. Hauck, Berman, Glenn, Filler, Lasinski, Schroeder, Allor and Guerra introduced  
**House Bill No. 4012, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled "Freedom of information act," (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding sections 56, 57, 58, and 59.

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

Reps. Allor, Berman, Guerra, Glenn, Hauck, Lasinski, Schroeder and Filler introduced  
**House Bill No. 4013, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled "Freedom of information act," (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding section 54.

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

Reps. Schroeder, Glenn, Allor, Berman, Guerra, Hauck, Lasinski and Filler introduced  
**House Bill No. 4014, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled "Freedom of information act," (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding section 55.

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

Reps. Filler, Hauck, Berman, Glenn, Lasinski, Schroeder, Allor and Guerra introduced  
**House Bill No. 4015, entitled**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled "Freedom of information act," (MCL 15.231 to 15.246) by adding sections 59c and 59d.

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

Reps. Camilleri, Allor, Guerra, Berman, Glenn and Lasinski introduced

**House Bill No. 4016, entitled**

A bill to amend 1986 PA 268, entitled "Legislative council act," by amending section 104a (MCL 4.1104a), as amended by 2013 PA 241.

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

Rep. Allor introduced

**House Bill No. 4017, entitled**

A bill to amend 1915 PA 31, entitled "Youth tobacco act," by amending the title and sections 1, 2, and 4 (MCL 722.641, 722.642, and 722.644), as amended by 2006 PA 236.

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

Rep. Allor introduced

**House Bill No. 4018, entitled**

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 48738 (MCL 324.48738), as amended by 2014 PA 541.

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

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Rep. Yaroch moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 1:45 p.m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Thursday, January 10, at 10:00 a.m.

GARY L. RANDALL  
Clerk of the House of Representatives

