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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, November 20, 2019.

10:00 a.m.

Pursuant to rule 1.101, in the absence of the Presiding Officers, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary of the Senate.

#### Motions and Communications

The following communications were received and read: Office of the Auditor General

November 7, 2019

Enclosed is a copy of the following report:

Office of the Auditor General 2019 Annual Report

November 15, 2019

Enclosed is a copy of the of following report:

 Performance audit report on the Administration of Medicaid Payments to Nursing Facilities for Long-Term Care, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (391-0570-18)

Sincerely, Doug Ringler Auditor General

The audit reports were referred to the Committee on Oversight.

The following communication was received: Office of Senator Jeff Irwin

November 13, 2019

I request to be added as a Co-Sponsor to Senator Mallory McMorrow's Senate Bill 622.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely, Jeff Irwin

State Senator - District 18

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

# Messages from the Governor

The following messages from the Governor were received:

Date: November 14, 2019 Time: 1:39 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir-I have this day approved and signed

# Enrolled Senate Bill No. 47 (Public Act No. 116), being

An act to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of rights and interests, including leasehold interests, in property and the levy and collection of taxes on property, and for the

collection of taxes levied; making those taxes a lien on the property taxed, establishing and continuing the lien, providing for the sale or forfeiture and conveyance of property delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the state and not redeemed or purchased; to provide for the establishment of a delinquent tax revolving fund and the borrowing of money by counties and the issuance of notes; to define and limit the jurisdiction of the courts in proceedings in connection with property delinquent for taxes; to limit the time within which actions may be brought; to prescribe certain limitations with respect to rates of taxation; to prescribe certain powers and duties of certain officers, departments, agencies, and political subdivisions of this state; to provide for certain reimbursements of certain expenses incurred by units of local government; to provide penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 27 (MCL 211.27), as amended by 2013 PA 162.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on November 15, 2019 at 9:18 a.m.)

Date: November 14, 2019

Time: 1:43 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

# Enrolled Senate Bill No. 255 (Public Act No. 120), being

An act to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to protect the people's right to hunt and fish; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 5505 (MCL 324.5505), as amended by 2005 PA 57.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on November 15, 2019 at 9:26 a.m.)

Date: November 14, 2019 Time: 1:45 p.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

# Enrolled Senate Bill No. 530 (Public Act No. 119), being

An act to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "An act to protect the environment and natural resources of the state; to codify, revise, consolidate, and classify laws relating to the environment and natural resources of the state; to regulate the discharge of certain substances into the environment; to regulate the use of certain lands, waters, and other natural resources of the state; to protect the people's right to hunt and fish; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for certain charges, fees, assessments, and donations; to provide certain appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 5501 and 5522 (MCL 324.5501 and 324.5522), section 5501 as amended by 1998 PA 245 and section 5522 as amended by 2015 PA 60.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on November 15, 2019 at 9:24 a.m.)

Respectfully, Gretchen Whitmer Governor

The following message from the Governor was received:

November 14, 2019

Today I signed Enrolled Senate Bill 530, a budget implementation bill that extends and increases air quality fees that fund the state's important work in implementing the Clean Air Act

In addition to these important extensions, SB 530 amends Section 5501(b) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, which defines the term "air pollution." Originally, section 5501(b) provided that" [a]ir pollution...excludes all aspects of employer-employee relationships as to health and safety hazards." As amended, section 5501(b) provides that "[a]ir pollution does not mean any health or safety hazard that is an aspect of employer-employee relationships."

I write merely to confirm my understanding that this amendment is purely stylistic, reflecting the preference of the Legislative Services Bureau rather than any legislative intent to change the scope of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.

Respectfully, Gretchen Whitmer Governor The following messages from the Governor were received and read:

November 13, 2019

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 218 of 1956, MCL 500.2402:

# **Data Collection Agency Governing Board**

Ms. Emily McDonough of 520 N. Putnam Street, Williamston, Michigan 48895, county of Ingham, reappointed to represent the executive branch of state government, for a term commencing January 1, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2020.

November 13, 2019

I respectfully submit to the Senate the following appointment to office pursuant to Public Act 350 of 1980, MCL 550.1652:

# **Health Endowment Fund Board**

Ms. Zaineb A. Hussein of 867 Ardmore Street, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48127, county of Wayne, succeeding Alexis Wiley whose term has expired, appointed to represent an individual recommended by the House Minority Leader, for a term commencing November 13, 2019 and expiring October 1, 2023.

Respectfully, Gretchen Whitmer Governor

The appointments were referred to the Committee on Advice and Consent.

# Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Thursday, November 14 for her approval of the following bills:

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 174 at 1:50 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 179 at 1:52 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 180 at 1:54 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 181 at 1:56 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 182 at 1:58 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 183 at 2:00 p.m. Enrolled Senate Bill No. 361 at 2:02 p.m.

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, November 13, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos. 649 650 651 652 653 654 655 656 657 658 House Bill Nos. 5238 5239 5240 5241 5242 5243 5244 5245 5246 5247 5248 5249 5250 5251 5252 5253 5254 5255 5256 5257 5258 5259 5260

# **Committee Reports**

The Committee on Finance reported

# House Bill No. 4540, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," (MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 2d. With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Jim Runestad Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Runestad, Nesbitt, Daley, Burnstead, VanderWall, Chang and Alexander

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Finance reported

House Bill No. 4541, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," (MCL 205.91 to 205.111) by adding section 5c.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Jim Runestad Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Runestad, Nesbitt, Daley, Bumstead, VanderWall, Chang and Alexander

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Finance reported

# House Bill No. 4542, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," (MCL 205.51 to 205.78) by adding section 2c.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Jim Runestad Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Runestad, Nesbitt, Daley, Bumstead, VanderWall, Chang and Alexander

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Finance reported

# House Bill No. 4543, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," (MCL 205.91 to 205.111) by adding section 5b.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Jim Runestad Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Runestad, Nesbitt, Daley, Bumstead, VanderWall, Chang and Alexander

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

#### COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Finance submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, at 10:30 a.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building Present: Senators Runestad (C), Nesbitt, Daley, Bumstead, VanderWall, Chang and Alexander

In the absence of all Senators, pursuant to Joint Rule 15, the Secretary of the Senate adjourned the Senate, the time being 10:01 a.m.

In pursuance of the order previously made, the Secretary of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, December 3, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

MARGARET O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate