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10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Garlin D. Gilchrist II.

The roll was called by the Secretary of the Senate, who announced that a quorum was present.

Albert—present	Hauck—present	Moss—present
Anthony—present	Hertel—present	Nesbitt—present
Bayer—present	Hoitenga—present	Outman—present
Bellino—present	Huizenga—present	Polehanki—present
Brinks—present	Irwin—present	Runestad—present
Bumstead—present	Johnson—present	Santana—present
Camilleri—present	Klinefelt—present	Shink—present
Cavanagh—present	Lauwers—present	Singh—present
Chang—present	Lindsey—present	Theis—present
Cherry—present	McBroom—present	Victory—excused
Daley—present	McCann—present	Webber—present
Damoose—present	McDonald Rivet—present	Wojno—present
Geiss—present	McMorrow—present	

Senator Stephanie Chang of the 3rd District offered the following invocation:

Spirit of life, help us to be present with all that is our life, both our deepest sorrows and our greatest joys, so that we can truly live, engaging fully in our own life and in our community. Spirit of community, help us know how linked we are, how each one of our cares touches us all; help us to ask for support when we are in need and offer our support to others when we are able, so that we may rest in the solace of one another's love. Spirit of love, help us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves, so that we might fully embody love and resist hatred. Spirit of resistance, help us to stick up for what is right even when we are tired or afraid; help us to dream of the world as it should be, and act to bring that world about; help us to find hope each day. Spirit of hope, help us through this day and each day; help us to be present for all that is our life.

For all this we pray. Amen. And blessed be.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Senator McDonald Rivet entered the Senate Chamber.

Motions and Communications

Senator Lauwers moved that Senator Victory be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

The following communication was received:
Office of Senator Dayna Polehanki

October 4, 2023

Per Senate Rule 1.110(d) I am requesting that my name be removed as cosponsor of Senate Bill 120, which was introduced on March 1st, 2023, and referred to the Senate Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Sincerely,
Dayna Polehanki
State Senator, District 5

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Johnson, Hoitenga, Runestad, Irwin, Hertel, Damoose, Lindsey and Outman introduced **Senate Bill No. 563, entitled**

A bill to allow for the establishment of a wholesale prescription drug importation program; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities; and to allow for the promulgation of rules.

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

Senator Singh introduced **Senate Bill No. 564, entitled**

A bill to amend 1937 PA 10, entitled "An act to define the use of travel aids by blind persons; to provide protection against accidents to such persons; to require instruction and examination in certain circumstances; and to provide penalties for violation hereof," by amending sections 1a and 3 (MCL 752.51a and 752.53), section 1a as amended by 2002 PA 401 and section 3 as amended by 1986 PA 62.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Senator Singh introduced **Senate Bill No. 565, entitled**

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 17b of chapter XVII (MCL 777.17b), as added by 2002 PA 28.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

Senator Singh introduced

Senate Bill No. 566, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled “An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 1 (MCL 247.651), as amended by 2012 PA 390.

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

Senators Irwin, Polehanki, Chang, Runestad, Bellino, Bayer, Singh, Geiss, Cavanagh, Damoose, Shink, Santana, Hertel, McCann, McMorro, Klinefelt, Moss, Camilleri, Wojno, Cherry, Johnson and Anthony introduced

Senate Bill No. 567, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending section 1280f (MCL 380.1280f), as amended by 2023 PA 7.

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

Senators Polehanki, Irwin, Chang, Runestad, Bellino, Bayer, Singh, Geiss, Cavanagh, Damoose, Shink, Santana, Hertel, McCann, McMorro, Klinefelt, Moss, Camilleri, Wojno, Cherry, Johnson and Anthony introduced

Senate Bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1531e.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

General Orders

Senator Singh moved that the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for consideration of the General Orders calendar.

The motion prevailed, and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, designated Senator Runestad as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

House Bill No. 4602, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 18c.

House Bill No. 4619, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 2027 (MCL 500.2027), as amended by 1998 PA 26.

House Bill No. 4620, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406aa.

House Bill No. 4621, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 3403 (MCL 500.3403), as amended by 2016 PA 276.

House Bill No. 4622, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406z.

House Bill No. 4623, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406bb.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The Committee of the Whole reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to provide for the review and prevention of deaths from drug overdose in this state; to allow for the creation of overdose fatality review teams; to provide for the powers and duties of the overdose fatality review teams; to regulate certain entities; to prescribe powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities; and to prescribe remedies for a violation of this act.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

Senator Singh moved that the Senate proceed to consideration of the following bill:

House Bill No. 4341

The motion prevailed.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4341, entitled

A bill to create a program to assist certain child care centers and schools with the acquisition, installation, and maintenance of certain filtered water stations and faucets; to provide for the sampling and testing of water from certain water outlets; to create certain funds; and to provide for the duties of certain state departments and officers.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 501

Yeas—29

Albert
Anthony

Cherry
Daley

Johnson
Klinefelt

Outman
Polehanki

Bayer
Brinks
Bumstead
Camilleri
Cavanagh
Chang

Damoose
Geiss
Hertel
Huizenga
Irwin

McCann
McDonald Rivet
McMorrow
Moss
Nesbitt

Santana
Shink
Singh
Webber
Wojno

Nays—8

Bellino
Hauck

Hoitenga
Lauwers

Lindsey
McBroom

Runestad
Theis

Excused—1

Victory

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4342, entitled

A bill to amend 1973 PA 116, entitled “An act to provide for the protection of children through the licensing and regulation of child care organizations; to provide for the establishment of standards of care for child care organizations; to prescribe powers and duties of certain departments of this state and adoption facilitators; to provide penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 722.111 to 722.128) by adding sections 3j, 3k, and 3l.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 502

Yeas—29

Albert
Anthony
Bayer
Brinks
Bumstead
Camilleri
Cavanagh
Chang

Cherry
Daley
Damoose
Geiss
Hertel
Huizenga
Irwin

Johnson
Klinefelt
McCann
McDonald Rivet
McMorrow
Moss
Nesbitt

Outman
Polehanki
Santana
Shink
Singh
Webber
Wojno

Nays—8

Bellino
Hauck

Hoitenga
Lauwers

Lindsey
McBroom

Runestad
Theis

Excused—1

Victory

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.
The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.
The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 441, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending sections 44508, 44524, 47325, 47327, and 47333 (MCL 324.44508, 324.44524, 324.47325, 324.47327, and 324.47333), sections 44508, 47325, and 47333 as added by 1995 PA 57, section 44524 as amended by 2012 PA 249, and section 47327 as amended by 2020 PA 385.

The question being on the passage of the bill,
Senator McBroom offered the following amendment:

1. Amend page 4, following line 27, by inserting:

“Sec. 46701. (1) Notwithstanding any other act or part to the contrary, ~~any statute or law of this state governing commercial fishing may be suspended, abridged, extended, or modified by the department when, in the opinion of the department, that action is necessary for the better~~ **if the director of the department of natural resources makes scientific findings that an imminent danger exists to the protection, preservation, maintenance, and harvesting of the fish. The existing statutes and laws regulating commercial fishing shall remain in full force and effect unless suspended, abridged, extended, or modified by order of the department in the manner provided in this part or by subsequent acts of the legislature.** ~~fish and the commission concurs with the findings, the department may suspend, abridge, extend, or modify any law of this state governing commercial fishing by emergency order, subject to section 46702.~~

(2) An emergency order adopted under subsection (1) remains in effect until the earliest of the following dates:

- (a) The date an identical or similar rule is promulgated.
- (b) The date an identical or similar bill is enacted into law.
- (c) The date 545 days after the order is adopted.
- (d) The date set forth in the emergency order.” .

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.
The question being on the passage of the bill,
The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 503

Yeas—21

Anthony	Cherry	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Bayer	Daley	McCann	Santana
Brinks	Geiss	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Camilleri	Hertel	McMorrow	Singh
Cavanagh	Irwin	Moss	Wojno
Chang			

Nays—16

Albert	Hauck	Lauwers	Outman
Bellino	Hoitenga	Lindsey	Runestad
Bumstead	Huizenga	McBroom	Theis
Damoose	Johnson	Nesbitt	Webber

Excused—1

Victory

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

Senators McBroom and Shink asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator McBroom’s statement is as follows:

I offer this amendment to this bill because there is a bad part of this law which dates back to 1969 where it literally says, “Notwithstanding any other act or part to the contrary, any statute or law of this state governing commercial fishing may be suspended, abridged, extended, or modified by the department when, in the opinion of the department, that action is necessary...” I think this is particularly bad law. This law is literally saying that no matter what the Legislature does, no matter what laws they’ve made, we can do whatever we want if we think we should. That is fundamentally antithetical to our system of government, and an insult to every Legislature that has followed the one that put this bad language into law in the first place in 1969.

I am offering this amendment to alter that language, which I believe is flagrantly unconstitutional language anyway, because it gives unlimited legislative powers to the executive branch. I’m suggesting that we pare this down so that the director and the department, with the commission, can present a need and create emergency orders for a year and a half, but then the Legislature would need to respond to those and enact them into law or those emergency orders would go away. This mirrors many other circumstances where we have emergency circumstance and powers to the executive but limit those and preserve the Legislature’s authority, duty, and obligation.

The fact that this statute has been written this way is, to a large extent, the reason why this law has gone unamended and unaltered since 1969, despite the tremendous changes that have gone on in the commercial fishing world and in the environment in general. Legislatures were given basically a free pass on doing their job for a long time because this is in here. We need to alter this, and I submit my amendment. I would like a “yes” vote.

Senator Shink’s statement is as follows:

I am asking for your “yes” vote on Senate Bill No. 441. This is enacting—implementing a decree that is a federal court decree and allowing the state to fulfill its obligations under that decree.

Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:29 a.m.

10:34 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
Messages from the House

Senate Bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406aa.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-1) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-1), ordered that it be given immediate effect and pursuant to Joint Rule 20, inserted the full title.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.202, the bill be laid over one day,

Senator Singh moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The question being on concurring in the substitute made to the bill by the House,

The substitute was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 504

Yeas—30

Anthony	Damoose	Lauwers	Outman
Bayer	Geiss	McBroom	Polehanki
Brinks	Hauck	McCann	Santana
Camilleri	Hertel	McDonald Rivet	Shink
Cavanagh	Huizenga	McMorrow	Singh
Chang	Irwin	Moss	Webber
Cherry	Johnson	Nesbitt	Wojno
Daley	Klinefelt		

Nays—7

Albert	Bumstead	Lindsey	Theis
Bellino	Hoitenga	Runestad	

Excused—1

Victory

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

Senator Singh moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

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

The Senate agreed to the full title.

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

Senate Bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as amended by 2012 PA 270.

The House of Representatives has substituted (H-1) the bill.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill as substituted (H-1), ordered that it be given immediate effect and amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “An act to reorganize, consolidate, and add to the election laws; to provide for election officials and prescribe their powers and duties; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state departments, state agencies, and state and local officials and employees; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise; to define violations of this act; to provide appropriations; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal certain acts and all other acts inconsistent with this act,” by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as amended by 2023 PA 88.

Pursuant to rule 3.202, the bill was laid over one day.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Statements

Senators Bellino, Hauck, Outman and McBroom asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Bellino’s statement is as follows:

Mr. President, sometimes the irony of the work that goes on in this body never ceases to amaze me. Last night, the Labor Committee posted it will be voting out the Worker Economic Transition Office bill within the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity. It’s starting to dawn on Lansing Democrats that policies are going on that will cost Michiganders jobs. But instead of reversing course, we’re rushing to create a government agency that supposedly will help people that they are putting out of work. That is just what we need in this chamber, sir, is to talk about the government coming to help people. We have a history of 500 years of not treating people equally, and we are going to come out and help people again.

As my colleagues are well aware, sometimes in government we tend to overuse acronyms. I found it appropriate that Worker Economic Transition can be referred to as WET, since the policies being pushed through by the Governor and the majority have been a wet blanket on the union jobs they claim to support. While Democrats stand on the frontline for photo-ops with union workers, they are pushing a radical energy mandate that would put them out of their job.

Their spending has reached an all-time high—fueling inflation, increasing costs of everything from groceries to gas. On top of that, we are talking about a \$2 billion payroll and income tax increase that is being proposed. Mr. President, let’s focus on the things that matter to Michigan families, and not rush into these mandates that are detrimental to all our workers.

Senator Hauck’s statement is as follows:

I think we can agree that something needs to be done with our electrical grid. Based on the conversations I’ve had with my constituents, I think residents know that as well. We have seen sweeping outages that last far longer than they should and people across the state are fed up. This isn’t the type of service Michiganders should be receiving while paying some of the highest rates in the region, but I genuinely wonder, are these drastic overhauls being pushed by my colleagues on the other side of the aisle really the best way forward? Are politically-driven Lansing mandates the answer to this problem? Why, at a time when we are facing high costs and reliability issues, is the solution to start overhauling unproven resources?

An effective and affordable energy grid uses a wide variety of sustainable sources. This plan would take a number of them out of the equation. This seems like an agenda-driven solution more than a genuine effort to create sound policies that focus on affordability and reliability. These drastic overhauls would jeopardize our struggling grid instead of strengthening it and force us to rely on sources that aren’t time tested.

The reliability percentage of solar is around the high teens to low twenties, and wind is 30 to 40 percent. Are these the numbers you are willing to bet your family’s warmth on this winter? Would any of you bet the future of your businesses on those numbers? We are simply not there with wind or solar storage yet. More needs to be done before we can even consider making such a large-scale transition.

Michigan deserves realistic solutions, and a California-style energy mandate isn't it. I think my colleagues are realizing this as we see deadlines change and bills taking different shapes than the radical approach that was announced at the beginning. Mr. President, I hope we can continue to discuss how we can make these bills more impactful in a place that state ratepayers are at the top priority in these reforms.

Senator Outman's statement is as follows:

The people of Michigan are struggling with higher costs on everyday items, from groceries to gas. The last thing they need is to pay even more of their paychecks for even less-reliable energy. There are many things in this California-style Green New Deal package being pushed by my colleagues on the other side of the aisle that could still be included that could actually help reduce energy costs, protect the environment, and energize our economy—things such as utilizing existing affordable and reliable sources, including natural gas and nuclear energy, while continuing to build up a renewable grid.

Trees, wind, and weather are often directly responsible for outages. We should be investing in burying power lines and trimming trees, but the plan currently includes none of those options. Instead of a comprehensive approach to energy that blends existing reliable sources with new technology, this plan imposes unrealistic government mandates that will hurt Michigan families, seniors, and small businesses.

All we need to do is look at California, where their Green New Deal ambitions resulted in rolling blackouts and higher energy costs. This California-style Green New Deal doesn't even account for the Democrats' plans to try to replace our current automobile fleet with electric vehicles that need electric power to charge their batteries. Unfortunately, the Governor and the bill sponsors don't care about the consequences of these bills—they'll all be gone when the bills come due. These government-knows-best bills are bad for families, bad for businesses, and bad for seniors on a fixed income. I urge my colleagues to reconsider rushing into these mandates.

Senator McBroom's statement is as follows:

Mr. President, we recently received news that the Attorney General and the Governor are continuing their push to stop the building of the Line 5 Great Lakes tunnel. This project, which would satisfy a huge need of this state, both psychologically and physically, to replace the current pipeline infrastructure with a system that is new, modern, and far—and you could say 100 percent—safer than the current system, plus reap the rewards of the employment during the project, plus reap the rewards going forward with the employment that comes through the provision of this energy source to the entire state of Michigan, not just the propane for the U.P., but vast quantities of oil that go into Michigan's economy through refineries in Detroit, Ohio, and in Canada.

This entire project could already be underway and nearing completion. And yet, continues to face dilatory tactics from this administration, from this Attorney General, and now from the federal side through the Army Corps of Engineers. The Army Corps of Engineers is already far outside of their normal scope of time to approve and consider such a project, which makes an incredibly-small quarter-acre impact on the shores, which is the jurisdiction of the Army Corps in this regard. How can it possibly take this long to decide whether a quarter-acre impact can be approved or not? It's clearly politics, it's clearly agenda driven, and it is risking the lives and the affordability to live, have work, and continue with the careers we have because energy is vital to our people, all over the state.

Don't let anybody tell you Line 5 is just needed for the propane in the U.P. I, of course, will tell you we need it for that because my residents depend on it—Michigan depends on it. We are the highest user of residential propane in the country, and Line 5 is a vital link for that. But Line 5 does so much more than propane. Thousands of workers in this state depend on Line 5, directly and indirectly. Our consumers, in the millions, depend on Line 5, directly and indirectly. It is folly to delay this effort and it is unethical to cast those of us who support such a project as being murderers or pillagers of the earth, which I repeatedly hear from various sources and enterprises that have stood against Line 5 for over a decade and who will ultimately only succeed if they stop the tunnel from happening and maintaining the one thing that 100 percent of the people can agree we shouldn't do, which is to keep using the infrastructure we already have.

Let's move forward with retiring the current infrastructure, and replace it with state-of-the-art 100-percent-safer infrastructure buried a mile deeper under the water in a tunnel. That will also provide us with great opportunities to increase other infrastructure needs for energy by the co-location opportunities. You know what the only disaster we've had at the Straits when it comes to pollution? When an anchor struck power lines in the Straits. We could put those in the tunnel. The fiber-optic network, recently this week, came out to say how important this tunnel project is to robust fiber-optic service for the entire state of Michigan.

Instead, all we face are dilatory tactics from those who have an agenda against petroleum. But petroleum is the very heartbeat of our energy in this state, and this nation. We need to send a strong message to this administration, the federal administration through the Army Corps, and to this Attorney General that we support what we've done in the past to make sure the Line 5 tunnel is built.

Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, October 4, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos. 556 557 558 559 560 561 562

House Bill Nos. 5084 5085 5086 5087 5088 5089 5090 5091 5092 5093 5094 5095

Committee Reports

The Committee on Veterans and Emergency Services reported

Senate Bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to amend 2003 PA 215, entitled “Credit union act,” by amending section 355 (MCL 490.355), as amended by 2016 PA 152.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Veronica Klinefelt

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Klinefelt, Hertel, Santana and Outman

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Veterans and Emergency Services reported

Senate Bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 29, entitled “Uniform unclaimed property act,” by amending sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 8a, 13, 15, 17, and 18 (MCL 567.225, 567.226, 567.227, 567.228, 567.228a, 567.233, 567.235, 567.237, and 567.238), sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 8a, 13, 15, and 17 as amended by 2010 PA 197 and section 18 as amended by 2020 PA 79, and by adding section 17a.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

Veronica Klinefelt

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Klinefelt, Hertel, Santana and Outman

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Veterans and Emergency Services submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., Room 1300, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Klinefelt (C), Hertel, Santana and Outman

The Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection reported

Senate Bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending section 27b (MCL 211.27b), as amended by 2012 PA 382.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

Mary Cavanagh

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Cavanagh, Moss, McCann, Bayer, Irwin and Huizenga

Nays: Senators Theis and Daley

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection reported

House Bill No. 4376, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 1207 (MCL 500.1207), as amended by 2018 PA 449.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Mary Cavanagh
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Cavanagh, Moss, McCann, Bayer, Irwin, Huizenga, Theis and Daley

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 12:30 p.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Cavanagh (C), Moss, McCann, Bayer, Irwin, Huizenga, Theis and Daley

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 7453 (MCL 333.7453), as added by 1988 PA 139.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 7455 (MCL 333.7455), as added by 1988 PA 139.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

House Bill No. 4071, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406z.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill and the substitute recommended by the committee were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Health Policy submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 12:30 p.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Hertel (C), Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Hauck, Huizenga and Runestad

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Legislative Council submitted the following:

Meeting held on Tuesday, October 4, 2023, at 12:45 p.m., Room 403, 4th Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Brinks (C), Singh, Moss, McCann, and McBroom

Excused: Senator Victory

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Appropriations submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Anthony (C), McCann, McDonald Rivet, Cherry, Bayer, Santana, Shink, Irwin, Hertel, Camilleri, Klinefelt, McMorrow, Cavanagh, Bumstead, Albert, Damoose, Huizenga, Outman and Theis

Senator Singh moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:51 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN
Secretary of the Senate

