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House Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, February 20, 2025.

12:00 Noon.

The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore.

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

Alexander—present	Foreman—present	McFall—present	Schuette—present
Andrews—present	Fox—present	McKinney—present	Scott—present
Aragona—present	Frisbie—present	Meerman—present	Skaggs—present
Arbit—present	Glanville—present	Mentzer—present	Slagh—present
BeGole—present	Grant—present	Miller—present	Smit—present
Beson—present	Green, P.—present	Morgan—present	Snyder—present
Bierlein—present	Greene, J.—present	Mueller—present	St. Germaine—present
Bohnak—present	Hall—present	Myers-Phillips—present	Steckloff—present
Bollin—present	Harris—present	Neeley—present	Steele—present
Borton—present	Herzberg—present	Neyer—present	Tate—present
Breen—present	Hoadley—present	O’Neal—present	Thompson—present
Brixie—present	Hope—present	Outman—present	Tisdell—present
Bruck—present	Hoskins—present	Paiz—present	Ternoglou—present
Byrnes—present	Jenkins-Arno—present	Paquette—present	VanderWall—present
Carra—present	Johnsen—present	Pavlov—present	VanWoerkom—present
Carter, B.—present	Kelly—present	Pohutsky—present	Wegela—present
Carter, T.—present	Koleszar—present	Posthumus—present	Weiss—present
Cavitt—present	Kuhn—present	Prestin—present	Wendzel—present
Coffia—present	Kunse—present	Price—present	Whitsett—e/d/s
Conlin—present	Liberati—present	Puri—present	Wilson—present
DeBoer—present	Lightner—present	Rheingans—present	Witwer—present
DeBoyer—present	Linting—present	Rigas—present	Wooden—present
DeSana—present	Longjohn—present	Robinson—present	Woolford—present
Dievendorf—present	MacDonell—present	Rogers—present	Wortz—present
Edwards—present	Maddock—present	Roth—present	Wozniak—present
Fairbairn—present	Markkanen—present	Schmaltz—present	Xiong—present
Farhat—present	Martin—present	Schrivver—present	Young—present
Fitzgerald—present	Martus—present		

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Betsy Coffia, from the 103rd District, offered the following invocation:

“**Proverbs 31:9**

Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy.

Leviticus 19:33-34

‘When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.’”

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4062, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 472, entitled “An act to regulate political activity; to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities; to require registration of lobbyists and lobbyist agents; to require the filing of reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of state; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 6a (MCL 4.416a), as added by 1994 PA 383.

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

Roll Call No. 9

Yeas—98

Alexander	Fitzgerald	Martin	Robinson
Andrews	Foreman	Martus	Rogers
Aragona	Fox	McFall	Roth
Arbit	Frisbie	McKinney	Schmaltz
BeGole	Glanville	Meerman	Schuette
Beson	Grant	Mentzer	Smit
Bierlein	Hall	Miller	Snyder
Bohnak	Harris	Morgan	St. Germaine
Bollin	Herzberg	Mueller	Steckloff
Borton	Hoadley	Myers-Phillips	Steele
Breen	Hope	Neeley	Tate
Brixie	Hoskins	Neyer	Thompson
Bruck	Jenkins-Arno	O’Neal	Tisdell
Byrnes	Johnsen	Outman	Tsernoglou
Carter, B.	Kelly	Paiz	Wegela
Carter, T.	Koleszar	Paquette	Wendzel
Cavitt	Kuhn	Pavlov	Wilson
Coffia	Kunse	Pohutsky	Witwer
Conlin	Liberati	Posthumus	Wooden
DeBoer	Lightner	Prestin	Woelford
DeBoyer	Linting	Price	Wortz
DeSana	Longjohn	Puri	Wozniak
Dievendorf	MacDonell	Rheingans	Xiong
Fairbairn	Maddock	Rigas	Young
Farhat	Markkanen		

Nays—11

Carra	Greene, J.	Skaggs	VanWoerkom
Edwards	Schriver	Slagh	Weiss
Green, P.	Scott	VanderWall	

In The Chair: Smit

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

Rep. Jaime Greene, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted NO because this ban is unnecessary government overreach that restricts career freedom and violates free-market principles. Conservatives believe in limiting government, not individual opportunity. Former legislators should be able to use their expertise in the private sector without excessive regulation. If the concern is undue influence, the solution isn’t banning careers—it’s making government smaller and more transparent. The bigger the government, the more lobbying exists. Instead of limiting people’s choices, we should be limiting government power.”

Rep. Weiss, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I believe that there are several steps we need to take in Michigan to improve transparency in government and to limit the influence of powerful special interest groups over individual constituents. I appreciate the effort here to limit the ability of elected officials becoming lobbyists soon after they end their term. However, without larger ethics reform, particularly the FOIA package that the senate recently passed, this legislation is only a half measure that will accomplish nothing more than requiring a different job title such as ‘consultant’ instead of ‘lobbyist’ within that two year timeframe after a member of the legislature completes their term.”

House Bill No. 4063, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 472, entitled “An act to regulate political activity; to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities; to require registration of lobbyists and lobbyist agents; to require the filing of reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of state; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 4.411 to 4.431) by adding section 6b.

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

Roll Call No. 10

Yeas—96

Alexander	Farhat	Maddock	Rheingans
Andrews	Fitzgerald	Markkanen	Rigas
Aragona	Foreman	Martin	Robinson
Arbit	Fox	Martus	Rogers
BeGole	Frisbie	McFall	Roth
Beson	Glanville	McKinney	Schmaltz
Bierlein	Grant	Meerman	Schuette
Bohnak	Hall	Mentzer	Smit
Bollin	Harris	Miller	Snyder
Borton	Herzberg	Morgan	St. Germaine
Breen	Hoadley	Mueller	Steele
Brixie	Hope	Myers-Phillips	Tate
Bruck	Hoskins	Neeley	Thompson
Byrnes	Jenkins-Arno	Neyer	Tisdell
Carter, B.	Johnsen	O’Neal	Tsernoglou
Carter, T.	Kelly	Outman	Wegela
Cavitt	Koleszar	Paiz	Wendzel
Coffia	Kuhn	Paquette	Wilson

Conlin	Kunse	Pavlov	Witwer
DeBoer	Liberati	Pohutsky	Wooden
DeBoyer	Lightner	Posthumus	Woolford
DeSana	Linting	Prestin	Wortz
Dievendorf	Longjohn	Price	Wozniak
Fairbairn	MacDonell	Puri	Xiong

Nays—13

Carra	Schriver	Slagh	VanWoerkom
Edwards	Scott	Steckloff	Weiss
Green, P.	Skaggs	VanderWall	Young
Greene, J.			

In The Chair: Smit

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

Rep. Jaime Greene, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I voted NO because this proposal is unnecessary government interference in the free market. As conservatives, we believe in limiting government, not career opportunities. Former governors should have the same right as anyone else to apply their experience in the private sector. The real issue isn’t former governors becoming lobbyists—it’s big government creating the need for lobbying in the first place. Instead of restricting careers, we should reduce government influence and increase transparency.”

Rep. Young, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

Elected officials, not employees or officers within state government should be held to a higher standard as public officials.”

Rep. Weiss, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I believe that there are several steps we need to take in Michigan to improve transparency in government and to limit the influence of powerful special interest groups over individual constituents. I appreciate the effort here to limit the ability of elected officials becoming lobbyists soon after they end their term. However, without larger ethics reform, particularly the FOIA package that the senate recently passed, this legislation is only a half measure that will accomplish nothing more than requiring a different job title such as ‘consultant’ instead of ‘lobbyist’ within that two year timeframe after a member of the legislature completes their term.”

House Bill No. 4064, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 472, entitled “An act to regulate political activity; to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities; to require registration of lobbyists and lobbyist agents; to require the filing of reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of state; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” (MCL 4.411 to 4.431) by adding section 6c.

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

Roll Call No. 11

Yeas—103

Alexander	Foreman	Martin	Roth
Andrews	Fox	Martus	Schmaltz
Aragona	Frisbie	McFall	Schuette
Arbit	Glanville	McKinney	Skaggs
BeGole	Grant	Meerman	Smit
Beson	Green, P.	Mentzer	Snyder
Bierlein	Greene, J.	Miller	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Hall	Morgan	Steckloff
Bollin	Harris	Mueller	Steele
Borton	Herzberg	Myers-Phillips	Tate
Breen	Hoadley	Neeley	Thompson
Brixie	Hope	Neyer	Tisdell
Bruck	Hoskins	O’Neal	Tsernoglou
Byrnes	Jenkins-Arno	Outman	VanderWall
Carter, B.	Johnsen	Paiz	VanWoerkom
Carter, T.	Kelly	Paquette	Wegela
Cavitt	Koleszar	Pavlov	Wendzel
Coffia	Kuhn	Pohutsky	Wilson
Conlin	Kunse	Posthumus	Witwer
DeBoer	Liberati	Prestin	Wooden
DeBoyer	Lightner	Price	Woolford
DeSana	Linting	Puri	Wortz
Dievendorf	Longjohn	Rheingans	Wozniak
Fairbairn	MacDonell	Rigas	Xiong
Farhat	Maddock	Robinson	Young
Fitzgerald	Markkanen	Rogers	

Nays—6

Carra	Schriver	Slagh	Weiss
Edwards	Scott		

In The Chair: Smit

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

Rep. Weiss, having reserved the right to explain her protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

I believe that there are several steps we need to take in Michigan to improve transparency in government and to limit the influence of powerful special interest groups over individual constituents. I appreciate the effort here to limit the ability of elected officials becoming lobbyists soon after they end their term. However, without larger ethics reform, particularly the FOIA package that the senate recently passed, this legislation is only a half measure that will accomplish nothing more than requiring a different job title such as ‘consultant’ instead of ‘lobbyist’ within that two year timeframe after a member of the legislature completes their term.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. BeGole, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4052, entitled

A bill to prohibit members of the legislature from entering into certain nondisclosure agreements.

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

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

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. BeGole, Harris, VanderWall, Fitzgerald and McFall

Nays: None

The Committee on Government Operations, by Rep. BeGole, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4053, entitled

A bill to provide definitions for the nondisclosure agreement act.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill then pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. BeGole, Harris, VanderWall, Fitzgerald and McFall

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Thursday, February 20, 2025

Present: Reps. BeGole, Harris, VanderWall, Fitzgerald and McFall

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Aragona, Chair, of the Committee on Regulatory Reform, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, February 20, 2025

Present: Reps. Aragona, Fairbairn, Wozniak, Wendzel, Tisdell, Hoadley, Neyer, Rigas, Thompson, Linting, Liberati, Tyrone Carter, Witwer, Neeley, Dievendorf and Grant

Absent: Rep. Whitsett

Excused: Rep. Whitsett

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Hoadley, Chair, of the Committee on Economic Competitiveness, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, February 20, 2025

Present: Reps. Hoadley, Bohnak, Outman, Harris, BeGole, DeBoyer, St. Germaine, Grant, Brixie and Coffia

Absent: Rep. Tate

Excused: Rep. Tate

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Schuette, Chair, of the Committee on Rules, was received and read:
Meeting held on: Thursday, February 20, 2025
Present: Reps. Schuette, Aragona, Wendzel, Martin, Posthumus, DeBoer, Witwer and Liberati
Absent: Rep. Herzberg
Excused: Rep. Herzberg

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Neyer, Chair, of the Committee on Agriculture, was received and read:
Meeting held on: Thursday, February 20, 2025
Present: Reps. Neyer, Wortz, Lightner, Alexander, Fox, Kunse, Pavlov, Paiz, Dievendorf, Rheingans and Skaggs

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Arbit, McFall, Rheingans, Miller, Coffia, Tsernoglou and Byrnes introduced

House Bill No. 4095, entitled

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

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

Reps. Snyder, Rheingans, Breen, Rogers, Martus, Steckloff, Byrnes, Hope, Glanville, Witwer, MacDonell, Liberati, Mentzer, Meerman, Fitzgerald and Jaime Greene introduced

House Bill No. 4096, entitled

A bill to amend 1969 PA 317, entitled "Worker's disability compensation act of 1969," by amending section 405 (MCL 418.405), as amended by 2021 PA 129.

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

Rep. DeSana introduced

House Bill No. 4097, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 306, entitled "An act to promote the safety, welfare, and educational interests of the people of this state by regulating the construction, reconstruction, and remodeling of, and the installation of certain security devices at, certain public or private school buildings or additions to those buildings and by regulating the construction, reconstruction, and remodeling of, and the installation of certain security devices at, buildings leased or acquired for school purposes; to define the class of buildings affected by this act; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," (MCL 388.851 to 388.855a) by adding section 1e.

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

Reps. Outman, Neyer, Rigas, Frisbie, Martin, Pavlov, Rheingans, Wortz, Jenkins-Arno, Wozniak, Johnsen, Harris and Borton introduced

House Bill No. 4098, entitled

A bill to amend 1973 PA 186, entitled "Tax tribunal act," by amending sections 26 and 34 (MCL 205.726 and 205.734), section 26 as amended by 2008 PA 126 and section 34 as amended by 1980 PA 437.

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

Reps. Frisbie, Neyer, Rigas, Martin, BeGole, Rheingans, Pavlov, Johnsen, Harris, Borton, Hoadley, Woolford, Robinson, Kunse, Cavitt and Bruck introduced

House Bill No. 4099, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 267, entitled "Open meetings act," by amending section 3a (MCL 15.263a), as amended by 2023 PA 214.

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

Reps. Bruck, BeGole, DeSana, Edwards, Miller, Kunse, Linting, Meerman, Thompson, Frisbie, Woolford, Prestin, Martin, Alexander, Robinson and Mueller introduced

House Bill No. 4100, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 6d.

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

Reps. Bierlein, Rigas, Neyer, Fitzgerald, Wozniak, Alexander, Phil Green, Steckloff, Morgan, Rogers, Glanville, Rheingans, Longjohn, Paiz, MacDonell, Price and Thompson introduced

House Bill No. 4101, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 16188.

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

Reps. Fitzgerald, Rigas, Neyer, Bierlein, Wozniak, Alexander, Phil Green, Steckloff, Morgan, Rogers, Glanville, Rheingans, Longjohn, MacDonell, Price and Thompson introduced

House Bill No. 4102, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 16335, 17801, and 17821 (MCL 333.16335, 333.17801, and 333.17821), as amended by 2009 PA 55, and by adding sections 17820a and 17820b.

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

Reps. Rogers, Wozniak, Roth, Bierlein, Kunse, Outman, Bollin, Aragona, Thompson, Rheingans, Frisbie, Schmaltz, St. Germaine, Glanville, Brenda Carter, Scott, Fitzgerald, Longjohn, Neeley, Edwards, Paiz, MacDonell, Whitsett, McKinney, Miller, Price, Coffia, Skaggs, Martus, Wilson, Conlin, O’Neal, Byrnes, Wooden, Foreman, Tsernoglou, Young, Brixie, McFall, Weiss, Morgan, Hoskins and Farhat introduced

House Bill No. 4103, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 16188.

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

Reps. Wozniak, Rogers, Roth, Bierlein, Kunse, Outman, Bollin, Aragona, Thompson, Rheingans, Frisbie, Schmaltz, St. Germaine, Glanville, Brenda Carter, Scott, Fitzgerald, Longjohn, Neeley, Edwards, Paiz, MacDonell, Whitsett, McKinney, Miller, Price, Coffia, Skaggs, Martus, Wilson, Conlin, O’Neal, Byrnes, Wooden, Foreman, Tsernoglou, Young, Brixie, McFall, Weiss, Morgan, Hoskins and Farhat introduced

House Bill No. 4104, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 16345, 18301, and 18305 (MCL 333.16345, 333.18301, and 333.18305), as amended by 2008 PA 523, and by adding sections 18303a and 18303b.

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

Reps. Tisdell, Kuhn and Steele introduced

House Bill No. 4105, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 109.

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

Rep. Mentzer introduced

House Bill No. 4106, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, adjust, and consolidate appropriations for various state departments and agencies, the judicial branch, and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025; to provide for certain conditions on appropriations; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

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

Announcements by the Clerk

February 19, 2025

Received from the Auditor General a copy of the:

- Performance audit on Vehicle Fleet and Equipment Management, Michigan Department of Transportation (591-0415-24), February 2025.

Scott E. Starr
Clerk of the House

Rep. Whitsett entered the House Chambers.

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

House Bill No. 4002, entitled

A bill to amend 2018 PA 338, entitled “Earned sick time act,” by amending sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, and 12 (MCL 408.962, 408.963, 408.964, 408.965, 408.966, 408.967, 408.968, 408.970, 408.971, and 408.972).

The Senate has substituted (S-3) the bill.

The Senate has passed the bill as substituted (S-3), ordered that it be given immediate effect and amended the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend 2018 PA 338, entitled “Earned sick time act,” by amending the title and sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 12 (MCL 408.962, 408.963, 408.964, 408.965, 408.966, 408.967, 408.968, and 408.972) and by adding section 3a.

The Speaker announced that pursuant to Rule 41, the bill was laid over one day.

Rep. Posthumus moved that Rule 41 be suspended.

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

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

Rep. Myers-Phillips moved to amend the Senate substitute (S-3) as follows:

1. Amend page 3, line 6, by striking out all of subparagraph (ii) and renumbering the remaining subparagraphs.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

Rep. Myers-Phillips moved to amend the Senate substitute (S-3) as follows:

1. Amend page 17, line 27, after “may” by striking out the balance of the subsection and inserting “do any of the following:

(a) Bring a civil action for appropriate relief, including, but not limited to, payment for used earned sick time; rehiring or reinstatement to the employee’s previous job; payment of back wages; reestablishment of employee benefits to which the employee otherwise would have been eligible if the employee had not been subjected to ~~retaliatory personnel action or discrimination; the violation~~; and an equal additional amount as liquidated damages together with costs and reasonable attorney fees as the court allows.

(b) File a claim with the department, which shall investigate the claim. Filing a claim with the department is neither a prerequisite nor a bar to bringing a civil action.”.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor.

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

The substitute (S-3) was concurred in, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 12

Yeas—81

Alexander	Fairbairn	Lightner	Schmaltz
Andrews	Farhat	Linting	Schriver
Aragona	Fitzgerald	Longjohn	Schuette
Arbit	Fox	Maddock	Slagh
BeGole	Frisbie	Markkanen	Smit
Beson	Glanville	Martin	Snyder
Bierlein	Grant	Meerman	St. Germaine
Bohnak	Green, P.	Miller	Steele
Bollin	Greene, J.	Mueller	Tate
Borton	Hall	Neyer	Thompson
Breen	Harris	O’Neal	Tisdell
Bruck	Herzberg	Outman	VanderWall
Carra	Hoadley	Paquette	VanWoerkom
Carter, B.	Jenkins-Arno	Pavlov	Wendzel
Carter, T.	Johnsen	Posthumus	Whitsett
Cavitt	Kelly	Prestin	Witwer
Coffia	Koleszar	Rigas	Wooden
Conlin	Kuhn	Robinson	Woolford
DeBoer	Kunse	Rogers	Wortz
DeBoyer	Liberati	Roth	Wozniak
DeSana			

Nays—29

Brixie	Martus	Paiz	Steckloff
Byrnes	McFall	Pohutsky	Tsernoglou
Dievendorf	McKinney	Price	Wegela
Edwards	Mentzer	Puri	Weiss
Foreman	Morgan	Rheingans	Wilson
Hope	Myers-Phillips	Scott	Xiong
Hoskins	Neeley	Skaggs	Young
MacDonell			

In The Chair: Smit

The House agreed to the title as amended.
The bill was referred to the Clerk for enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

Rep. Xiong, having reserved the right to explain her nay vote, made the following statement:
“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:
This legislation represents yet another attempt by the legislature to undermine the will of the people and weaken the rights of Michigan workers. The original Earned Sick Time Act was the result of a citizen-led initiative, a process that is constitutionally protected and guarantees the people’s ability to propose and enact laws directly. However, the legislature is now once again employing the adopt-and-amend tactic, a maneuver that circumvents the intent of the initiative process and strips away the protections that voters sought to establish. This approach violates the spirit of our democratic system by altering and eliminating key provisions that were originally approved through public support. By modifying ESTA in this manner, the legislature is not only disregarding the constitutional rights of Michigan residents but also undermining the

trust that voters place in the legislative process. Instead of respecting the will of the people, this bill prioritizes legislative control over the direct voice of our citizens. For these reasons, I cannot support this legislation and strongly oppose any further efforts to weaken the rights and protections that Michigan voters fought to secure.”

Rep. VanderWall moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:25 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 25, at 1:30 p.m.

SCOTT E. STARR
Clerk of the House of Representatives

