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House Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

1:30 p.m.

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
Andrews—present
Aragona—present
Arbit—present
BeGole—present
Beson—present
Bierlein—present
Bohnak—present
Bollin—present
Borton—present
Breen—present
Brixie—present
Bruck—present
Byrnes—present
Carra—present
Carter, B.—present
Carter, T.—present
Cavitt—present
Coffia—excused
Conlin—present
DeBoer—present
DeBoyer—present
DeSana—present
Dievendorf—present
Edwards—present
Fairbairn—present
Farhat—present
Fitzgerald—present

Foreman—present
Fox—present
Frisbie—present
Glanville—present
Grant—present
Green, P.—present
Greene, J.—present
Hall—present
Harris—present
Herzberg—present
Hoadley—present
Hope—present
Hoskins—present
Jenkins-Arno—present
Johnsen—present
Kelly—present
Koleszar—present
Kuhn—present
Kunse—present
Liberati—present
Lightner—present
Linting—present
Longjohn—present
MacDonell—present
Maddock—present
Markkanen—present
Martin—present
Martus—present

McFall—present
McKinney—present
Meerman—present
Mentzer—present
Miller—present
Morgan—present
Mueller—present
Myers-Phillips—present
Neeley—present
Neyer—present
O’Neal—present
Outman—present
Paiz—present
Paquette—present
Pavlov—present
Pohutsky—present
Posthumus—present
Prestin—present
Price—present
Puri—present
Rheingans—present
Rigas—present
Robinson—present
Rogers—present
Roth—present
Schmaltz—present
Schriver—present

Schuette—present
Scott—present
Skaggs—present
Slagh—present
Smit—present
Snyder—present
St. Germaine—present
Steckloff—present
Steele—present
Tate—present
Thompson—present
Tisdell—present
Tsernoglou—present
VanderWall—present
VanWoerkom—present
Wegela—present
Weiss—present
Wendzel—present
Whitsett—excused
Wilson—present
Witwer—present
Wooden—present
Woolford—present
Wortz—present
Wozniak—present
Xiong—present
Young—present

e/d/s = entered during session

Rep. Brenda Carter, from the 53rd District, offered the following invocation:

“Heavenly Father,

We come before You with gratitude and humility, thanking You for the privilege of serving the people of Michigan. Lord, we lift up the 103rd House of Representatives. Guide our hearts and minds as we step into this season of leadership, collaboration, and service.

Father, Your Word declares, *‘How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!’* (Psalm 133:1). May this House be a testament to the beauty of unity, as we work together to make decisions that honor You and benefit the people we serve.

Grant wisdom to our colleagues, as James 1:5 reminds us, *‘If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, Who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.’* Bless our efforts with insight and discernment, so we may navigate challenges with courage and clarity.

Lord, let us embody the spirit of service that Christ modeled, for as Mark 10:45 teaches, *‘The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve.’* Inspire us to prioritize the needs of the vulnerable, the voiceless, and the marginalized. May our deliberations reflect fairness and compassion, bringing peace and prosperity to all.

As we seek to overcome differences, may we hold tightly to Ephesians 4:3, striving to *‘Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.’* Let our actions reflect humility, patience, and love, shining as a light for all to see.

Lord, protect us from discouragement. Strengthen us with the assurance found in Isaiah 41:10: *‘So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.’*

We entrust this legislative body into Your hands, asking for Your presence to dwell richly among us. Bless our work, and may our efforts bear fruit for generations to come.

In Jesus’ name, we pray.
Amen.”

Rep. Fitzgerald moved that Reps. Coffia and Whitsett be excused from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been reproduced and made available electronically on Thursday, February 20:

House Bill Nos. 4095 4096 4097 4098 4099 4100 4101 4102 4103 4104 4105 4106

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been reproduced and made available electronically on Friday, February 21:

Senate Bill Nos. 93 94 95 96 97 98

The Clerk announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Friday, February 21, for her approval of the following bill:

Enrolled House Bill No. 4002 at 1:30 a.m.

The Clerk announced that the following Senate bills had been received on Tuesday, February 25:

Senate Bill Nos. 27 52

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Finance, by Rep. Tisdell, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4025, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled “General sales tax act,” by amending section 4II (MCL 205.54II), as added by 2023 PA 15.

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. Tisdell, Frisbie, VanderWall, Lightner, Martin, Posthumus, Alexander, Aragona, Schuette, Hoskins, Tyrone Carter, Neeley, Breen, Young and Paiz

Nays: None

The Committee on Finance, by Rep. Tisdell, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4026, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 411 (MCL 205.9411), as added by 2023 PA 14.

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. Tisdell, Frisbie, VanderWall, Lightner, Martin, Posthumus, Alexander, Aragona, Schuette, Hoskins, Tyrone Carter, Neeley, Breen, Young and Paiz

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Present: Reps. Tisdell, Frisbie, VanderWall, Lightner, Martin, Posthumus, Alexander, Aragona, Schuette, Hoskins, Tyrone Carter, Neeley, Breen, Young and Paiz

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, by Rep. Outman, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4003, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled "Michigan memorial highway act," (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 1073b.

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. Outman, Alexander, Carra, Bruck, Kunse, Neyer, Prestin, Bohnak, Frisbie, Wortz, Herzberg, Hope, Koleszar, Andrews, Grant, Miller and Wilson

Nays: None

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, by Rep. Outman, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4046, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled "Michigan memorial highway act," (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 11d.

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. Outman, Alexander, Carra, Bruck, Kunse, Neyer, Prestin, Bohnak, Frisbie, Wortz, Herzberg, Hope, Koleszar, Andrews, Grant, Miller and Wilson

Nays: None

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Outman, Chair, of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Present: Reps. Outman, Alexander, Carra, Bruck, Kunse, Neyer, Prestin, Bohnak, Frisbie, Wortz, Herzberg, Hope, Koleszar, Andrews, Grant, Miller and Wilson

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Smit, Chair, of the Committee on Election Integrity, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Present: Reps. Smit, Fox, Outman, Alexander, Hoadley, Pavlov, Wooden, Koleszar and Xiong

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

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

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Present: Reps. DeBoyer, Bierlein, Meerman, Paquette, Carra, Bruck, Jaime Greene, Rigas, Schriver, Woolford, Miller, Pohutsky, Conlin, MacDonell, Mentzer, Tsernoglou and Wegela

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Jaime Greene, Chair, of the Committee on Communications and Technology, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Present: Reps. Jaime Greene, Kunse, Schmaltz, Schriver, Fairbairn, Linting, Scott, Andrews and Skaggs

Absent: Reps. Wendzel and Arbit

Excused: Reps. Wendzel and Arbit

Messages from the Senate

Senate Bill 27, entitled

A bill to amend 2006 PA 317, entitled "An act to create certain entities in the Michigan strategic fund; to impose certain duties and responsibilities on those entities and on certain state employees and public employees; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 2 (MCL 125.1972), as amended by 2010 PA 337.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Senate Bill 52, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 639, entitled "Hertel-Law-T. Stopczynski port authority act," by amending the title and sections 2, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 14a, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, and 25 (MCL 120.102, 120.108, 120.109, 120.110, 120.113, 120.114, 120.114a, 120.116, 120.118, 120.120, 120.123, 120.124, and 120.125), the title as amended and section 14a as added by 1998 PA 188, sections 14 and 18 as amended by 2002 PA 412, and section 23 as amended by 1984 PA 256, and by adding section 19a.

The Senate has passed the bill.

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

Messages from the Governor

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:40 a.m.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled House Bill No. 4002 (Public Act No. 2, I.E.), being

An act to amend 2018 PA 338, entitled “An initiation of legislation to provide workers with the right to earn sick time for personal or family health needs, as well as purposes related to domestic violence and sexual assault and school meetings needed as the result of a child’s disability, health issues or issues due to domestic violence and sexual assault; to specify the conditions for accruing and using earned sick time; to prohibit retaliation against an employee for requesting, exercising, or enforcing rights granted in this act; to prescribe powers and duties of certain state departments, agencies, and officers; to provide for promulgation of rules; and to provide remedies and sanctions,” 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.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on February 21, 2025, at 1:10 p.m.)

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Harris, BeGole, St. Germaine, Rigas, Bohnak, Frisbie, Rheingans, Outman, MacDonell, Mentzer, Markkanen, Neyer, Fairbairn, Prestin, DeBoyer, Alexander, Bierlein, Roth, Schmaltz, Breen, Rogers, Johnsen, Beson, Kunse, Meerman, Cavitt, Steckloff, Martin, Hoadley, Slagh, Woolford, Tisdell, Borton, Wozniak, VanderWall, Miller, Coffia, Martus, Byrnes, Dievendorf, Paiz, Skaggs, Brixie and Longjohn introduced

House Bill No. 4107, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending section 1170a (MCL 380.1170a), as added by 2016 PA 388.

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

Reps. Prestin, Rigas, Harris, Bohnak, Frisbie, Rheingans, Outman, MacDonell, Mentzer, Markkanen, Neyer, Fairbairn, Bierlein, Alexander, DeBoyer, Roth, Schmaltz, Breen, St. Germaine, Rogers, Johnsen, Beson, Kunse, Carra, Kelly, Wozniak, Meerman, Cavitt, Steckloff, Martin, Hoadley, Slagh, Woolford, Borton, Tisdell, Martus, VanderWall, Miller, Coffia, Byrnes, Dievendorf, Paiz, Skaggs, Brixie and Longjohn introduced

House Bill No. 4108, entitled

A bill to amend 1963 PA 17, entitled “An act to relieve certain persons from civil liability when rendering emergency care, when rendering care to persons involved in competitive sports under certain circumstances, or when participating in a mass immunization program approved by the department of public health,” (MCL 691.1501 to 691.1507) by adding section 8.

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

Reps. Rheingans, Harris, Bohnak, Frisbie, Outman, MacDonell, Mentzer, Markkanen, Neyer, Fairbairn, Prestin, Alexander, Bierlein, DeBoyer, Roth, Schmaltz, Rogers, Breen, St. Germaine, Johnsen, Cavitt, Beson, Kunse, Longjohn, Meerman, Steckloff, Martin, Hoadley, Slagh, Woolford, Borton, Tisdell, VanderWall, Wozniak, Miller, Coffia, Byrnes, Dievendorf, Martus, Paiz, Skaggs and Brixie introduced

House Bill No. 4109, entitled

A bill to amend 2006 PA 23, entitled “An act to regulate certain health clubs with respect to potential medical emergencies; and to provide for civil sanctions,” by amending section 3 (MCL 333.26313).

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

Reps. Mentzer, Koleszar, McFall, Paiz, Glanville and Price introduced

House Bill No. 4110, entitled

A bill to amend 1993 PA 92, entitled “Seller disclosure act,” by amending section 7 (MCL 565.957), as amended by 2005 PA 163.

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

Rep. VanWoerkom introduced

House Bill No. 4111, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending sections 27 and 34d (MCL 211.27 and 211.34d), as amended by 2022 PA 240, and by adding section 9q.

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

Rep. VanWoerkom introduced

House Bill No. 4112, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 24, entitled “Michigan economic growth authority act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 207.803), as amended by 2022 PA 241.

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

Reps. Steckloff, Kuhn, Aragona, Robinson, BeGole, Wozniak, DeBoyer, Breen, St. Germaine, Tisdell, Steele, Wilson and Jaime Greene introduced

House Bill No. 4113, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “Michigan liquor control code of 1998,” by amending section 233 (MCL 436.1233), as amended by 2022 PA 135.

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

Reps. Kuhn, Robinson, Aragona, Steckloff, Wozniak, BeGole, DeBoyer, Breen, St. Germaine, Tisdell, Steele, Wilson and Jaime Greene introduced

House Bill No. 4114, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “Michigan liquor control code of 1998,” (MCL 436.1101 to 436.2303) by adding section 910.

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

Reps. Aragona, Liberati, Miller, Wilson, Bierlein, Robinson, St. Germaine, Snyder, Herzberg and Maddock introduced

House Bill No. 4115, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled “An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers that conduct business in this state; to provide for the disposition of allegedly misappropriated property in the possession of pawnbrokers; to provide remedies and prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies,” by amending the title and section 18 (MCL 446.218), the title as amended by 2018 PA 345.

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

Reps. Liberati, Miller, Aragona, Wilson, Bierlein, Robinson, St. Germaine, Snyder, Herzberg and Maddock introduced

House Bill No. 4116, entitled

A bill to amend 1917 PA 273, entitled “An act to regulate and license pawnbrokers that conduct business in this state; to provide for the disposition of allegedly misappropriated property in the possession of pawnbrokers; to provide remedies and prescribe penalties; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain local governmental units and state agencies,” by amending sections 8 and 9 (MCL 446.208 and 446.209), section 8 as amended by 2002 PA 469 and section 9 as amended by 2018 PA 345.

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

Reps. Wortz, Beson, Martin, St. Germaine, Jenkins-Arno, Outman, Tisdell, Kunse, Woolford, Cavitt, Markkanen, Wozniak, Fairbairn and Fox introduced

House Bill No. 4117, entitled

A bill to amend 1988 PA 466, entitled “Animal industry act,” by amending section 46 (MCL 287.746), as amended by 2019 PA 132.

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

Reps. Schuette, Bohnak, Fairbairn, Woolford, Wozniak, Borton, Kunse, Alexander, Outman, Slagh, DeBoyer, Andrews, BeGole, Hoadley, Frisbie, Bierlein, Cavitt, Robinson, Glanville, Thompson, Linting, Steele and VanderWall introduced

House Bill No. 4118, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 40, entitled "The drain code of 1956," by amending sections 151, 154, 280, 468, and 520 (MCL 280.151, 280.154, 280.280, 280.468, and 280.520), section 154 as amended by 2020 PA 281, section 280 as amended by 2016 PA 27, and sections 468 and 520 as amended by 2018 PA 644.

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

Reps. Frisbie, Tisdell, Fox, Mueller, Jaime Greene, St. Germaine, Aragona, Kelly, Wozniak, Martin, DeBoyer, Andrews, Steckloff, Robinson, Schuette, Woolford, Pavlov, Johnsen and Outman introduced

House Bill No. 4119, entitled

A bill to amend 1933 PA 167, entitled "General sales tax act," by amending section 4x (MCL 205.54x), as amended by 2009 PA 53.

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

Reps. Andrews, Tisdell, Fox, Mueller, Jaime Greene, St. Germaine, Aragona, Kelly, DeBoyer, Frisbie, Steckloff, Robinson, Schuette, Woolford, Pavlov, Johnsen and Outman introduced

House Bill No. 4120, entitled

A bill to amend 1937 PA 94, entitled "Use tax act," by amending section 4k (MCL 205.94k), as amended by 2012 PA 429.

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

Reps. O'Neal, Neeley, Hope, Rheingans, Martus, Brixie, Edwards, Glanville, Price, Tyrone Carter, Rogers, Steckloff and Scott introduced

House Bill No. 4121, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," (MCL 211.1 to 211.155) by adding section 34f.

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

Reps. Alexander, Miller, Wilson, BeGole, Mentzer, Rigas, Jaime Greene, Kunse, Neyer, Meerman, DeSana, Bierlein, Farhat, Morgan, Johnsen, Rheingans, Kelly, Wozniak, Bohnak, Paiz, Pavlov, Markkanen, Thompson, Snyder, Dievendorf, Prestin, Bruck, Outman, Wortz, Jenkins-Arno, Byrnes and VanderWall introduced

House Bill No. 4122, entitled

A bill to amend 2000 PA 92, entitled "Food law," by amending sections 1105, 1111, and 4102 (MCL 289.1105, 289.1111, and 289.4102), section 1105 as amended by 2014 PA 516, section 1111 as amended by 2018 PA 92, and section 4102 as amended by 2012 PA 178.

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

Reps. Jenkins-Arno, Wortz, Rigas, Frisbie, Wilson, Pavlov, Wozniak, Outman, Martin, Kelly, Edwards, Markkanen, Breen and BeGole introduced

House Bill No. 4123, entitled

A bill to amend 2020 PA 84, entitled "Michigan reconnect grant act," by amending sections 3 and 7 (MCL 390.1703 and 390.1707), section 3 as amended by 2022 PA 251.

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

Reps. Wendzel, Jaime Greene, Steckloff, Bohnak, Woolford, Prestin, Wozniak, Andrews, BeGole, McFall, Schuette, Alexander, Thompson, Aragona, VanWoerkom, Bruck and Wooden introduced

House Bill No. 4124, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding sections 677a and 717a.

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

Reps. McFall, Jaime Greene, Steckloff, Woolford, Andrews, BeGole, Alexander, Thompson, Aragona, VanWoerkom, Bruck and Wooden introduced

House Bill No. 4125, entitled

A bill to create a program that awards grants to certain postsecondary schools in this state that establish or expand certain educational programs that lead to degrees or credentials supportive of the nuclear and hydrogen industries; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities.

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

Reps. Steckloff, Jaime Greene, Bohnak, Woolford, Wozniak, Andrews, BeGole, McFall, Schuette, Alexander, Thompson, Aragona, VanWoerkom, Bruck and Wooden introduced

House Bill No. 4126, entitled

A bill to create a fund for a program that awards grants to certain postsecondary schools in this state that establish or expand certain educational programs that lead to degrees or credentials supportive of the nuclear and hydrogen industries; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities.

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

Reps. Thompson, Jaime Greene, Steckloff, Bohnak, Woolford, Prestin, Wozniak, Andrews, BeGole, McFall, Aragona, Schuette, Linting, DeBoyer, Alexander, St. Germaine, VanWoerkom, Bruck and Wooden introduced

House Bill No. 4127, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled “An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers and certain providers of electric vehicle charging services; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 10h (MCL 460.10h), as amended by 2023 PA 245.

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

Reps. VanWoerkom, Steckloff, Bohnak, Woolford, Prestin, Wozniak, Andrews, BeGole, McFall, Schuette, Alexander, Thompson, Aragona and Bruck introduced

House Bill No. 4128, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” (MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 678.

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

Reps. Andrews, Jaime Greene, Steckloff, Bohnak, BeGole, McFall, Alexander, Thompson, Aragona, VanWoerkom, Bruck and Wooden introduced

House Bill No. 4129, entitled

A bill to create a nuclear and hydrogen graduate attraction and retention program to award grants to certain graduates of a postsecondary school who are employed in this state at a qualified electric generation facility after graduation; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to prohibit the submission of false information and prescribe penalties; to provide remedies; to create certain funds; to provide for the distribution of money from certain funds; and to allow the promulgation of rules. The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Energy.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Notices

Pursuant to Rule 40, the Speaker has made the following referral:

House Bill No. 4107 referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4052, entitled

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

Was read a second time, and the question being on the adoption of the proposed substitute (H-1) previously recommended by the Committee on Government Operations,

The substitute (H-1) was adopted, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Rep. Morgan moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, line 3, by striking out all of enacting section 1 and inserting:

“Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 103rd Legislature are enacted into law:

(a) House Bill No. 4053.

(b) Senate Bill No. 1.

(c) Senate Bill No. 2.”.

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

Rep. Carra moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

House Bill No. 4053, entitled

A bill to provide definitions for the nondisclosure agreement act.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Mentzer moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 2, line 2, by striking out all of enacting section 1 and inserting:

“Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 103rd Legislature are enacted into law:

(a) House Bill No. 4052.

(b) Senate Bill No. 1.

(c) Senate Bill No. 2.”.

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

Rep. Wegela moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Third Reading of Bills

Rep. Posthumus moved that **House Bill No. 4052** be placed on its immediate passage.

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

House Bill No. 4052, entitled

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

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

Roll Call No. 13

Yeas—80

Alexander
Aragona
Arbit
BeGole
Beson
Bierlein
Bohnak

Farhat
Fitzgerald
Fox
Frisbie
Glanville
Green, P.
Greene, J.

Markkanen
Martin
McFall
Meerman
Mentzer
Miller
Morgan

Schriver
Schuette
Slagh
Smit
St. Germaine
Steele
Thompson

Bollin	Hall	Mueller	Tisdell
Borton	Harris	Neyer	Tsernoglou
Breen	Hoadley	Outman	VanderWall
Brixie	Jenkins-Arno	Paquette	VanWoerkom
Bruck	Johnsen	Pavlov	Wegela
Byrnes	Kelly	Pohutsky	Weiss
Carra	Koleszar	Posthumus	Wendzel
Cavitt	Kuhn	Prestin	Witwer
DeBoer	Kunse	Rheingans	Wooden
DeBoyer	Lightner	Rigas	Woolford
DeSana	Linting	Robinson	Wortz
Dievendorf	Longjohn	Roth	Wozniak
Fairbairn	Maddock	Schmaltz	Xiong

Nays—28

Andrews	Herzberg	Myers-Phillips	Scott
Carter, B.	Hope	Neeley	Skaggs
Carter, T.	Hoskins	O’Neal	Snyder
Conlin	Liberati	Paiz	Steckloff
Edwards	MacDonell	Price	Tate
Foreman	Martus	Puri	Wilson
Grant	McKinney	Rogers	Young

In The Chair: Smit

The question being on agreeing to the title of the bill,
Rep. Posthumus moved to amend the title to read as follows:

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

The motion prevailed.

The House agreed to the title as amended.

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

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

Rep. Rogers, 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 on House Bill 4052 and 4053 because the bills are narrowly written to only regulate the legislature and their staff members and does not include the Governor or Lieutenant Governor. As the Legislature is a co-equal branch of government, I believe we should have similar regulations with regard to non-disclosure agreements. NDAs are often used to protect sensitive and proprietary information (including trade secrets,) and confidential business information. Without the option of NDAs, Michigan could risk losing economic development projects to other states who do allow them and may reduce our competitiveness.”

Rep. Posthumus moved that **House Bill No. 4053** be placed on its immediate passage.

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

House Bill No. 4053, entitled

A bill to provide definitions for the nondisclosure agreement act.

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

Roll Call No. 14

Yeas—91

Alexander	Fitzgerald	McFall	Schriver
Aragona	Fox	McKinney	Schuette
Arbit	Frisbie	Meerman	Slagh
BeGole	Glanville	Mentzer	Smit
Beson	Green, P.	Miller	St. Germaine
Bierlein	Greene, J.	Morgan	Steele
Bohnak	Hall	Mueller	Thompson
Bollin	Harris	Myers-Phillips	Tisdell
Borton	Hoadley	Neyer	Tsernoglou
Breen	Hope	Outman	VanderWall
Brixie	Jenkins-Arno	Paiz	VanWoerkom
Bruck	Johnsen	Paquette	Wegela
Byrnes	Kelly	Pavlov	Weiss
Carra	Koleszar	Pohutsky	Wendzel
Carter, B.	Kuhn	Posthumus	Wilson
Cavitt	Kunse	Prestin	Witwer
Conlin	Lightner	Price	Wooden
DeBoer	Linting	Puri	Woolford
DeBoyer	Longjohn	Rheingans	Wortz
DeSana	MacDonell	Rigas	Wozniak
Dievendorf	Maddock	Robinson	Xiong
Fairbairn	Markkanen	Roth	Young
Farhat	Martin	Schmaltz	

Nays—17

Andrews	Herzberg	Neeley	Skaggs
Carter, T.	Hoskins	O’Neal	Snyder
Edwards	Liberati	Rogers	Steckloff
Foreman	Martus	Scott	Tate
Grant			

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. Rogers, 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 on House Bill 4052 and 4053 because the bills are narrowly written to only regulate the legislature and their staff members and does not include the Governor or Lieutenant Governor. As the Legislature is a co-equal branch of government, I believe we should have similar regulations with regard to non-disclosure agreements. NDAs are often used to protect sensitive and proprietary information (including trade secrets,) and confidential business information. Without the option of NDAs, Michigan could risk losing economic development projects to other states who do allow them and may reduce our competitiveness.”

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Woolford, Alexander, Jaime Greene, Rheingans and Schuette offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 26.

A resolution to commemorate the 34th anniversary of the United States Victory in the Gulf War and declare February 28, 2025, as Gulf War Victory Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, On August 2, 1990, one hundred thousand Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait, despite efforts by the United Nations, led by the United States, to de-escalate the impending conflict. This invasion marked the beginning of Operation Desert Shield, which lasted from August 2, 1990, to January 17, 1991. During this first phase of the Gulf War, U.S. forces were deployed to the Saudi Arabia border to deter further conflict in the region. The second and final phase of the Gulf War, codenamed Operation Desert Storm, began with an air assault on January 17, 1991. This phase included a ground assault that lasted four days and concluded on February 28, 1991, with the surrender of Iraqi forces, demonstrating America's might to the world resulting in the fourth largest land army's surrender in under one hundred hours of battle; and

Whereas, On February 28, 2025, we will take a moment to honor and remember the individuals who lost their lives in this war 34 years ago, along with all the veterans who have bravely fought to uphold our freedom and safeguard our republic values. It is because of Americans that stand to answer the call of our nation, that we enjoy peace and prosperity in the United States today. Their selfless sacrifices and unwavering commitment in defense of international security and diplomacy have played a crucial role in establishing several vital allies in this strategic region of the world. We recognize the profound impact the Gulf War Veterans have had, not only in protecting our nation but also in fostering stability and cooperation in the Middle East and around the world. Through their dedication, they have ensured that the ideals we cherish continue to thrive for generations to come; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate the 34th anniversary of the United States Victory in the Gulf War and declare February 28, 2025, as Gulf War Victory Day in the state of Michigan. We encourage the people of Michigan to acknowledge the importance of recognizing this day.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Pohutsky, Paiz, Rheingans and Rogers offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 27.

A resolution to declare February 24-March 2, 2025, as Eating Disorders Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, In the United States, 28.8 million Americans will have an eating disorder in their lifetime; and

Whereas, Eating disorders include a range of serious but treatable mental health disorders characterized by disturbances in eating behaviors, thoughts, and emotions with a preoccupation with food, body weight, and shape; and

Whereas, Eating disorders affect every age, sex, gender, race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic group; and

Whereas, Eating disorders are also associated with high levels of medical and social impairments and can affect every system in the body. Too often, signs and symptoms are overlooked, and many individuals, families, and communities are unaware of the devastating mental and physical consequences of eating disorders, as well as the pressures, attitudes, and behaviors which shape them; and

Whereas, Eating disorders usually appear in adolescence and are associated with substantial psychological problems, including depression, substance abuse, and suicide; and

Whereas, The intent of Eating Disorder Awareness Week is to expand the conversation around eating disorders to include the diverse perspectives of millions of people affected. Eating disorders are shrouded in stigma, secrecy, and stereotypes. The week is a collaborative effort consisting primarily of volunteers, including eating disorder professionals, health care providers, students, educators, social workers, and individuals committed to raising awareness of the dangers surrounding eating disorders and the need for early intervention; and

Whereas, Chance for recovery increases the earlier the eating disorder is detected; and

Whereas, Prevention includes systematic attempts to change the circumstances that promote, initiate, sustain, or intensify problems; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare February 24-March 2, 2025, as Eating Disorder Awareness Week in the state of Michigan. We call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Schriver, Maddock, Fox, Alexander, Woolford, DeSana and Carra offered the following resolution:
House Resolution No. 28.

A resolution to condemn the Supreme Court of the United States' decision in *Obergefell v Hodges*.

Whereas, The decision by the Supreme Court of the United States in *Obergefell v. Hodges* is at odds with the Constitution of the United States and the principles upon which the United States is established; and

Whereas, Liberty has long been understood as individual freedom from governmental action, not as a right to a particular governmental entitlement. *Obergefell* invokes a definition of "liberty" that the Framers of the founding documents of the United States would not have recognized, rejecting the ideas captured in the Declaration of Independence that human dignity is innate and, instead, suggesting that it comes from the government. *Obergefell's* inversion of the original meaning of liberty causes collateral damage to other aspects of our constitutional order that protect liberty, including religious liberty; and

Whereas, When the Framers proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal" and "endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights," they referred to a vision of mankind in which all humans are created in the image of God and, therefore, have inherent worth. *Obergefell* undermines this vision by declaring that citizens must seek dignity from the state; and

Whereas, The Supreme Court recognized in *United States v. Windsor*, that marriage is "an area that has long been regarded as a virtually exclusive province of the States," meaning that Michigan, and not the Supreme Court, should maintain the right to regulate marriage for its citizens. *Obergefell* requires all states to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples and to recognize same-sex marriages in complete contravention of some states' own constitutions and the will of their voters, thus undermining the democratic voice of those states' residents and voters. In particular, Article I, Section 25 of the Michigan Constitution states that "the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage"; and

Whereas, Marriage, an institution that has remained a critical aspect of society throughout thousands of years, has been defined through time by people of varying cultures and faiths as a union between one man and one woman. *Obergefell* arbitrarily and unjustly rejected this historical definition of marriage, instead choosing to rely on a novel, flawed interpretation of the Equal Protection and Due Process clauses within the Constitution and our nation's legal and cultural precedents. *Obergefell* relies on the dangerous fiction of treating the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution as a font of substantive rights, a doctrine that strays from the full meaning of the Constitution and exalts judges at the expense of the people from whom they derive their authority. Because the Fourteenth Amendment has no explicit language supporting a constitutional right to same-sex marriage, *Obergefell* is an illegitimate overreach; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we condemn the *Obergefell* decision; and be it further

Resolved, That the Michigan House of Representatives reaffirms the definition of marriage as put forth by the Michigan voters and enshrined in our Constitution: a union between one man and one woman; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Supreme Court of the United States.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Government Operations.

Rep. Posthumus moved that when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned until Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00 p.m.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Tsernoglou moved that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:45 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00 p.m.

SCOTT E. STARR

Clerk of the House of Representatives

