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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor John D. Cherry, Jr.

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

Allen—present
Barcia—present
Basham—present
Bernero—present
Birkholz—present
Bishop—present
Brater—present
Brown—present
Cassis—present
Cherry—present
Clark-Coleman—present
Clarke—present
Cropsey—present

Emerson—present
Garcia—present
George—present
Gilbert—present
Goschka—present
Hammerstrom—present
Hardiman—present
Jacobs—present
Jelinek—present
Johnson—present
Kuipers—present
Leland—present
McManus—present

Olshove—present
Patterson—present
Prusi—present
Sanborn—present
Schauer—present
Scott—present
Sikkema—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Thomas—present
Toy—present
Van Woerkom—present

Reverend Richard Rentner of Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church of Adrian offered the following invocation:

Proverbs 16:2, 3: "All one's ways may be pure in one's own eyes, but the Lord weighs the spirit. Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established."

God of might and mercy, we humbly acknowledge Your insight as far superior to our own. There is no darkness that can hide the thoughts of our minds or the inclinations of our hearts. Before You we can shelter no secret ambitions, nor can we pretend to be what we are not.

Yet, Lord, You have invested within the leaders gathered here today the responsibility to act on behalf of others, to put the welfare of the people of this state above all competing interests. Inspire among these men and women a strong sense of justice and fairness, a healthy sense of what is best for all, and a holy sense of what gives honor and glory to You. Give them wisdom to discern in the words of others, even those with whom they can and sometimes do disagree, some measure of goodness and some degree of rightness. Temper their own words with calm and rational thought and expression, that at the end of the day, Your desires might prevail over all lesser agendas.

To You, O Lord, we commit our work this day, trusting in Your goodness and mercy, and we commend ourselves to Your care and Your keeping. You alone are God. We ask Your blessing upon all this day. Amen

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

Motions and Communications

Senators Birkholz and Sanborn entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Schauer moved that Senator Bernero be temporarily excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Senator Hammerstrom moved that rule 3.901 be suspended to allow filming from the Gallery.
The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor.

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on Committee Reports, be placed on the General Orders calendar for consideration today:

Senate Bill No. 1013

Senate Bill No. 1014

Senate Bill No. 1015

Senate Bill No. 1016

Senate Bill No. 1017

Senate Bill No. 1018

Senate Bill No. 1019

Senate Bill No. 1020

Senate Bill No. 1021

House Bill No. 5266

House Bill No. 5279

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

The following communication was received:
Department of Labor and Economic Growth

February 18, 2004

The Homeowner Construction Lien Recovery Fund (Fund) was established in 1980 as a consumer safety net for homeowners to provide a means of redress in the event that all debts owed on a home building or remodeling project are not paid by the licensed contractor. The Fund becomes a defendant in a circuit court lien foreclosure proceeding to insure and protect homeowners from having a "construction lien" placed upon their home and to prevent the homeowner from having to pay for the construction project twice.

The Fund is administered by the Department of Labor and Economic Growth within the Bureau of Commercial Services, which is responsible for processing and maintaining claim files and membership records, making payments from the Fund, coordinating legal representation for the Fund from the Department of Attorney General and disseminating general information regarding the Fund and the Construction Lien Act.

As of today, the balance of the Fund is \$983,000. This, in effect, leaves all consumers/purchasers of new homes and remodeling projects vulnerable to the possibility of losing their life investment in their home through lien foreclosures if the Fund isn't replenished sufficiently to support the program.

The Construction Lien Act, PA 497 of 1980 as amended, states:

570.1201.Sec.201(2). If, on December 1 of any year, the balance in the fund is less than \$1,000,000.00, the director of the licensing and regulation may require an additional assessment or payment, not to exceed \$50.00, from each of the persons described in subsection (1)(a) and (c), unless, within 30 legislative days after the director requires an additional assessment, the legislature, by majority vote of members elected and serving in both houses by record roll call vote, adopts a concurrent resolution to prohibit the additional assessment. As used in this subsection "legislative day" means a day on which the senate and house is called to order and a quorum of the senate and house is present.

Through the Fund's first eleven years of existence there were an average of 52 new claims per year, with a yearly average of \$72,426.03 in judgments. The last eleven years shows an average of 169 new claims per year, with a yearly average of \$456,831.43 in judgments. Since its inception in 1982, the Fund has received 2,432 claims equaling \$32.4 million. We have paid out \$5.8 million in judgments against the Fund. This will be the third assessment for the Fund since its inception. The first was at the inception of the Fund. The second was in 1999. Since 1999, the Fund has paid out \$3.99 million in judgments and attorney fees. Without a reassessment the consumers of the home building and remodeling industry are at peril; there are serious concerns about the lack of sufficient funding to support the program's appropriation and subsequent expenditures, posing some possible legal detriments for the Department.

Pursuant to MCL 570.1201(2), I am notifying the Legislature that I will be requiring an additional \$50 assessment to be made against every member of the Fund. The proposed assessment would affect approximately 90,000 active members, which includes all currently licensed residential builders and maintenance and alteration contractors, electrical contractors, plumbing contractors, mechanical contractors and the subcontractor/supplier members. The assessment process will begin as early as possible in calendar year 2004, so that sufficient funding will be available for the continued operation of the Fund. To the extent possible, the assessment will be done in conjunction with the license renewal process.

Should you have any questions regarding the assessment or the Construction Lien Fund, please feel free to call Tom Martin at (517) 373-7486.

David C. Hollister
Director

The communication was referred to the Secretary for record.

The Secretary announced that pursuant to Rule 2.109 of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following expense reports have been filed with the Secretary of the Senate for the quarter from October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003, and are available in the Secretary's office during business hours for public inspection:

Committee

- Appropriations
- Commerce and Labor
- Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform
- Finance
- Health Policy
- Judiciary
- Local, Urban and State Affairs
- Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs
- Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs
- Technology and Energy
- Transportation

Chairperson

- Senator Shirley Johnson
- Senator Jason Allen
- Senator Alan Sanborn
- Senator Nancy Cassis
- Senator Beverly Hammerstrom
- Senator Alan Cropsey
- Senator Laura Toy
- Senator Patricia Birkholz
- Senator Laura Toy
- Senator Bruce Patterson
- Senator Jud Gilbert

The Secretary announced that the following official bills were printed on Thursday, March 4, and are available at the legislative Web site:

**Senate Bill Nos. 1052 1053 1054 1055 1056 1057 1058 1059 1060 1061 1062 1063 1064 1065
1066 1067 1068 1069 1070 1071 1072**

The Secretary announced that the following official bills were printed on Friday, March 5, and are available at the legislative Web site:

Senate Bill Nos. 1073 1074 1075 1076 1077 1078 1079 1080 1081 1082 1083 1084

Messages from the Governor

Senator Hammerstrom moved that consideration of the following bills be postponed for today:

Senate Bill No. 195

Senate Bill No. 364

Senate Bill No. 293

Senate Bill No. 265

Senate Bill No. 288

Senate Bill No. 540

Senate Bill No. 283

Senate Bill No. 464

Senate Bill No. 466

Senate Bill No. 395

Senate Bill No. 474

Senate Bill No. 840

The motion prevailed.

The following messages from the Governor were received:

Date: March 4, 2004

Time: 9:05 a.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 801 (Public Act No. 15), being

An act to amend 1899 PA 44, entitled “An act to provide for the publication and distribution of publications, laws, and documents, reports of the several officers, boards of officers and public institutions of this state now or hereafter to be published; to provide for the replacing of publications lost by fire or otherwise; to provide for the publication and distribution of the Michigan manual; to provide for duties of certain state and local government departments and agencies; to establish certain funds; and to provide for certain penalties and remedies,” by amending section 2 (MCL 24.2), as amended by 1995 PA 179.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on March 4, 2004, at 10:08 a.m.)

Date: March 4, 2004

Time: 9:07 a.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 275 (Public Act No. 16), being

An act to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled “An act to create and expand certain renaissance zones; to foster economic opportunities in this state; to facilitate economic development; to stimulate industrial, commercial, and residential improvements; to prevent physical and infrastructure deterioration of geographic areas in this state; to authorize expenditures; to provide exemptions and credits from certain taxes; to create certain obligations of this state and local governmental units; to require disclosure of certain transactions and gifts; to provide for appropriations; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local departments, agencies, and officials,” by amending section 6 (MCL 125.2686), as amended by 2003 PA 93.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on March 4, 2004, at 10:10 a.m.)

Date: March 4, 2004

Time: 9:10 a.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 780 (Public Act No. 17), being

An act to amend 1986 PA 281, entitled “An act to encourage local development to prevent conditions of unemployment and promote economic growth; to provide for the establishment of local development finance authorities and to prescribe their powers and duties; to provide for the creation of a board to govern an authority and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the creation and implementation of development plans; to authorize the acquisition and disposal of interests in real and personal property; to permit the issuance of bonds and other

evidences of indebtedness by an authority; to prescribe powers and duties of certain public entities and state officers and agencies; to reimburse authorities for certain losses of tax increment revenues; and to authorize and permit the use of tax increment financing," by amending section 2 (MCL 125.2152), as amended by 2003 PA 20.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on March 4, 2004, at 10:12 a.m.)

Date: March 4, 2004

Time: 9:18 a.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 681 (Public Act No. 20), being

An act to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to criminal procedure and to define the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of courts, judges, and other officers of the court under the provisions of this act; to provide laws relative to the rights of persons accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the arrest of persons charged with or suspected of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for bail of persons arrested for or accused of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to provide for the examination of persons accused of criminal offenses; to regulate the procedure relative to grand juries, indictments, informations, and proceedings before trial; to provide for trials of persons complained of or indicted for criminal offenses and ordinance violations and to provide for the procedure in those trials; to provide for judgments and sentences of persons convicted of criminal offenses and ordinance violations; to establish a sentencing commission and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for procedure relating to new trials and appeals in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to provide a uniform system of probation throughout this state and the appointment of probation officers; to prescribe the powers, duties, and compensation of probation officers; to provide penalties for the violation of the duties of probation officers; to provide for procedure governing proceedings to prevent crime and proceedings for the discovery of crime; to provide for fees of officers, witnesses, and others in criminal and ordinance violation cases; to set forth miscellaneous provisions as to criminal procedure in certain cases; to provide penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act," (MCL 760.1 to 777.69) by adding section 11a to chapter VI.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on March 4, 2004, at 10:18 a.m.)

Respectfully,
Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

VEHICLES; LICENSE PLATES; REVISE PROCEDURES TO
ESTABLISH AND ISSUE FUND-RAISING PLATES

March 5, 2004

Today I have vetoed and return to you Enrolled Senate Bill 785 without my signature, as provided under Section 33 of Article IV of the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

This legislation would establish a new administrative scheme for fund-raising license plates. I believe the bill is unnecessary as I am convinced by the arguments of the Michigan State Police and the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police that effective law enforcement is undermined by the proliferation of non-standard license plates. As the number of plates increase, it becomes more difficult for law enforcement personnel and citizens to accurately identify vehicles fleeing the scene of an accident or crime.

Michigan currently has 23 types of license plates for motor vehicles and 26 bills pending before the Michigan Legislature would create even more. That is more than enough.

For these reasons, I return Enrolled Senate Bill 785 without signature.

Respectfully,
Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

This bill was returned from the Governor on March 5, 2004, at 2:19 p.m.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, Senator Hammerstrom moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed for today.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Third Reading of Bills

The following bill was announced:

House Bill No. 5434, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 471 (MCL 206.471), as amended by 2002 PA 486.

(This bill was passed on March 4, vote reconsidered and consideration postponed. See Senate Journal No. 23, pp. 316, 324.)

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. 108

Yeas—24

Allen	Garcia	Jelinek	Sanborn
Birkholz	George	Johnson	Sikkema
Bishop	Gilbert	Kuipers	Stamas
Brown	Goschka	McManus	Switalski
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Olshove	Toy
Cropsey	Hardiman	Patterson	Van Woerkom

Nays—13

Barcia	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Schauer
Basham	Clarke	Leland	Scott
Brater	Emerson	Prusi	Thomas
Cherry			

Excused—1

Bernero

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion did not prevail, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Schauer requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The motion did not prevail, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 109

Yeas—23

Allen	Garcia	Jelinek	Sikkema
Birkholz	George	Johnson	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Kuipers	Switalski
Brown	Goschka	McManus	Toy

Cassis
Cropsey

Hammerstrom
Hardiman

Patterson
Sanborn

Van Woerkom

Nays—13

Barcia
Basham
Brater
Cherry

Clark-Coleman
Clarke
Emerson

Jacobs
Leland
Prusi

Schauer
Scott
Thomas

Excused—1

Bernero

Not Voting—1

Olshove

In The Chair: President

Senator Bernero entered the Senate Chamber.

The following bill was announced:

House Bill No. 5440, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," by amending section 80 (MCL 208.80), as added by 1985 PA 139.

(This bill was read a third time on March 4 and consideration postponed. See Senate Journal No. 23, p. 318.)

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. 110

Yeas—24

Allen
Birkholz
Bishop
Brown
Cassis
Cropsey

Garcia
George
Gilbert
Goschka
Hammerstrom
Hardiman

Jelinek
Johnson
Kuipers
McManus
Olshove
Patterson

Sanborn
Sikkema
Stamas
Switalski
Toy
Van Woerkom

Nays—14

Barcia
Basham
Bernero
Brater

Cherry
Clark-Coleman
Clarke
Emerson

Jacobs
Leland
Prusi

Schauer
Scott
Thomas

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect,
The recommendation was not concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor.

Senator Schauer requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, 1/5 of the members present voting therefor.

The recommendation was not concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving not voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 111

Yeas—23

Allen	Garcia	Jelinek	Sikkema
Birkholz	George	Johnson	Stamas
Bishop	Gilbert	Kuipers	Switalski
Brown	Goschka	McManus	Toy
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Patterson	Van Woerkom
Cropsey	Hardiman	Sanborn	

Nays—15

Barcia	Cherry	Jacobs	Schauer
Basham	Clark-Coleman	Leland	Scott
Bernero	Clarke	Olshove	Thomas
Brater	Emerson	Prusi	

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation.”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4706, entitled

A bill to provide for and to regulate access to and disclosure of medical records; to prescribe powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments; to establish fees; to prescribe administrative sanctions; and to provide remedies.

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. 112

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Sanborn
Barcia	Clarke	Jelinek	Schauer
Basham	Cropsey	Johnson	Scott
Bernero	Emerson	Kuipers	Sikkema
Birkholz	Garcia	Leland	Stamas
Bishop	George	McManus	Switalski
Brater	Gilbert	Olshove	Thomas
Brown	Goschka	Patterson	Toy
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Prusi	Van Woerkom
Cherry	Hardiman		

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 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. 4755, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 16221 and 16226 (MCL 333.16221 and 333.16226), as amended by 2003 PA 234, and by adding section 20170.

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. 113

Yeas—38

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jacobs	Sanborn
Barcia	Clarke	Jelinek	Schauer
Basham	Cropsey	Johnson	Scott
Bernero	Emerson	Kuipers	Sikkema
Birkholz	Garcia	Leland	Stamas
Bishop	George	McManus	Switalski
Brater	Gilbert	Olshove	Thomas
Brown	Goschka	Patterson	Toy
Cassis	Hammerstrom	Prusi	Van Woerkom
Cherry	Hardiman		

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The question being on concurring in the committee recommendation to give the bill immediate effect, The recommendation was concurred in, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates.”.

The Senate agreed to the full title.

General Orders

Senator Hammerstrom 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 Cherry, designated Senator Allen as Chairperson.

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

House Bill No. 4871, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “Revised judicature act of 1961,” by amending section 5759 (MCL 600.5759).

Senate Bill No. 759, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 80140 (MCL 324.80140), as added by 1995 PA 58.

House Bill No. 4352, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 82131 (MCL 324.82131), as added by 1995 PA 58.

Senate Bill No. 778, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 566, entitled “An act to encourage the faithful performance of official duties by certain public officers and public employees; to prescribe standards of conduct for certain public officers and public employees; to prohibit the holding of incompatible public offices; and to provide certain judicial remedies,” by amending section 3 (MCL 15.183), as amended by 2000 PA 455.

Senate Bill No. 1015, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 32, entitled “Emergency telephone service enabling act,” by amending section 408 (MCL 484.1408), as amended by 2003 PA 244.

Senate Bill No. 1016, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1539 (MCL 380.1539), as added by 1988 PA 339.

Senate Bill No. 1018, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 306, 310e, and 811 (MCL 257.306, 257.310e, and 257.811), section 306 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 310e as amended by 2003 PA 61, and section 811 as amended by 2003 PA 152.

Senate Bill No. 1020, entitled

A bill to amend 1999 PA 94, entitled "Michigan merit award scholarship act," by amending section 8 (MCL 390.1458), as amended by 2003 PA 186.

House Bill No. 5266, entitled

A bill to amend 1943 PA 240, entitled "State employees' retirement act," by amending sections 1a, 1e, 1i, 49, 53, 55, and 64 (MCL 38.1a, 38.1e, 38.1i, 38.49, 38.53, 38.55, and 38.64), section 1a as amended by 1998 PA 205, sections 1e and 1i as amended and sections 53, 55, and 64 as added by 1996 PA 487, and section 49 as amended by 2002 PA 93.

House Bill No. 5279, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 182, entitled "State police retirement act of 1986," by amending sections 3, 4, 14, 14a, 42, and 43 (MCL 38.1603, 38.1604, 38.1614, 38.1614a, 38.1642, and 38.1643), sections 3 and 14 as amended by 2000 PA 374, section 14a as added by 1995 PA 192, section 42 as amended by 1989 PA 191, and section 43 as amended by 2002 PA 96, and by adding section 24a.

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. 111, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding section 74103a.

Substitute (S-2).

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.

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

Senate Bill No. 1013, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 29, entitled "Uniform unclaimed property act," by amending section 19 (MCL 567.239), as amended by 1997 PA 195, and by adding section 8a.

Substitute (S-4).

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.

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

Senate Bill No. 1014, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 36202 (MCL 324.36202), as added by 2000 PA 262.

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.

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

Senate Bill No. 1017, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 369, entitled "An act to regulate the business of conducting a driver training school; to require licenses in relation thereto; to prescribe certain fees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain persons and

state departments; and to prescribe remedies and penalties,” by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 4, 4a, 5, 5c, 6, 6a, 6c, and 9 (MCL 256.601, 256.602, 256.604, 256.604a, 256.605, 256.605c, 256.606, 256.606a, 256.606c, and 256.609), the title and section 1 as amended and sections 4a and 6c as added by 1992 PA 169, sections 2, 4, and 6 as amended and section 5c as added by 1998 PA 11, section 5 as amended by 2000 PA 285, and section 6a as added by 1984 PA 391, and by adding sections 1a, 1b, and 1c and part 3 and by adding headings for parts 1, 2, and 3; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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.

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

Senate Bill No. 1019, entitled

A bill to amend 1971 PA 140, entitled “Glenn Steil state revenue sharing act of 1971,” by amending sections 11 and 13 (MCL 141.911 and 141.913), as amended by 2003 PA 168.

Substitute (S-2).

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.

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

Senate Bill No. 1021, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 182, entitled “State police retirement act of 1986,” by amending sections 3, 4, 14, 14a, 42, and 43 (MCL 38.1603, 38.1604, 38.1614, 38.1614a, 38.1642, and 38.1643), sections 3 and 14 as amended by 2000 PA 374, section 14a as added by 1995 PA 192, section 42 as amended by 1989 PA 191, and section 43 as amended by 2002 PA 96, and by adding section 24a.

Substitute (S-2).

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.

Resolutions

Senator Hammerstrom moved that consideration of the following resolutions be postponed for today:

Senate Resolution No. 175

Senate Resolution No. 139

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kuipers offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 223.

A resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States and the Federal Communications Commission to take steps to encourage competition in the cable television industry.

Whereas, In spite of several advances in technology and deregulatory actions, the costs of cable television services have outpaced inflation by a considerable margin over the years. Assurances that the Telecommunications Acts of 1996 would benefit consumers with lower prices and increased competition have not been realized; and

Whereas, Efforts to foster competition have not been successful so far. Although other technology, including the satellite dish, was expected to increase competition and benefit consumers significantly, it has not. Almost all households across the country with cable television services live in communities with only a single company offering these services. Another significant factor may be the consolidation that has taken place throughout the cable industry, as mergers continue to alter the market; and

Whereas, Cable deregulation, which went into full effect in 1999 when the Federal Communications Commission’s responsibilities to act on consumer complaints ended, is not having the intended results. Congress should revisit this issue and work with the FCC to devise a strategy to open up competition; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States and the Federal Communications Commission to take steps to encourage competition in the cable television industry; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, and the Federal Communications Commission.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations, Senator Hammerstrom moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Technology and Energy.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Birkholz, Bishop, Goschka, Olshove and Switalski were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senators Hammerstrom, Cropsey, George, Bishop, Gilbert, Patterson, Van Woerkom, Cassis, Allen, Hardiman, Jelinek, Stamas, Johnson, Kuipers, Sikkema, Garcia, McManus, Toy, Brown, Goschka, Sanborn and Birkholz offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 224.

A resolution to express opposition to any new or revised administrative rules that are more stringent than federal policies and that impede economic development and job creation.

Whereas, The economic challenges facing Michigan serve to illustrate the fact that policymakers in this state can never rest in their efforts to foster economic development and create job opportunities. Although states across the country are coping with financial difficulties and American jobs are threatened in many sectors of the economy, the fact remains that Michigan is especially vulnerable and has absorbed an inordinate portion of the nation's job losses over the past few years; and

Whereas, A key area where state policies can impact the development of the economy and job creation is the administrative process. The promulgation of rules by executive branch departments, although intended to provide necessary standards and to increase public health and safety, can sometimes impede progress and stifle interest that companies may have to locate or expand in our state; and

Whereas, Over the years, there have been many examples of administrative regulations that have hindered, rather than helped the cause of creating jobs and promoting economic activity. This has been clearly illustrated recently in discussions at the federal and state levels on the establishment of ergonomic standards. Although the federal government no longer requires states to set ergonomic standards, proposals to implement rules on ergonomics are under consideration in Michigan, in spite of the fact that mandating ergonomic standards would put many Michigan job providers at a competitive disadvantage; and

Whereas, It is imperative that every regulation be developed in the real-world context of our state's competition for economic development and jobs. For this reason, Michigan's standards should not be more stringent than those of the federal government. All sectors of society must remember that jobs and opportunities that are lost are a threat to the economic well-being and stability of Michigan. The rules we implement must reflect this awareness; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we express opposition to any new or revised administrative rules that are more stringent than federal policies and that impede economic development and job creation; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Office of Regulatory Reform.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations, Senator Hammerstrom moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Scott and Cropsey offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 225.

A resolution to memorialize the President and the Congress of the United States to investigate the recidivism rate in prisons and to consider the Second Chance Program as a rehabilitation model.

Whereas, There are nearly two million people incarcerated in the United States; and

Whereas, Nearly 6 percent of the adult population is under some form of correctional supervision; and

Whereas, Local, state, and federal governments spend nearly \$40 billion on corrections in the United States; and

Whereas, Nearly two-thirds of money in the United States is expended to deal with recidivism; and

Whereas, Recidivism costs taxpayers more than \$35 billion a year in law enforcement costs; and

Whereas, Recidivism costs taxpayers more than \$17 billion a year in additional court costs; and

Whereas, Over 80 percent of the crimes in the United States are committed by recidivists; and

Whereas, The only continuous factor for the past 25 years linked to recidivism is drug addiction. Two-thirds of the prison population recidivate, two-thirds of the prison population is drug-addicted, and approximately 90 percent of those addicted recidivate; and

Whereas, Corrections spending is growing two times faster than education spending across the United States; and
Whereas, Nine out of ten inmates in the United States are men; and

Whereas, African Americans are two times more likely than Hispanics to be incarcerated, and they are five times more likely than Caucasians to be incarcerated; and

Whereas, The breakdown of ethnicity in the United States prison population is 42.4 percent African American, 42.3 percent Caucasian, 11 percent Hispanic, and 4.3 percent other; and

Whereas, If you look at the rates of incarceration in the United States, African Americans have a rate of incarceration nearly five times higher than that of Caucasians; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we memorialize the President and the Congress of the United States to investigate the recidivism rate in prisons and to consider the Second Chance Program as a rehabilitation model for prisoners of the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations, Senator Hammerstrom moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Schauer, Van Woerkom and Stamas introduced

Senate Bill No. 1085, entitled

A bill to authorize the state administrative board to convey or transfer certain parcels of state owned property in various counties; to prescribe conditions for the conveyances or transfers; to provide for the disposal of certain buildings; to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state departments in regard to the property; and to provide for disposition of revenue derived from the conveyances.

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

Committee Reports

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1013, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 29, entitled "Uniform unclaimed property act," by amending section 19 (MCL 567.239), as amended by 1997 PA 195, and by adding section 8a.

With the recommendation that the substitute (S-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1014, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 36202 (MCL 324.36202), as added by 2000 PA 262.

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

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1015, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 32, entitled "Emergency telephone service enabling act," by amending section 408 (MCL 484.1408), as amended by 2003 PA 244.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1016, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1539 (MCL 380.1539), as added by 1988 PA 339.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1017, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 369, entitled "An act to regulate the business of conducting a driver training school; to require licenses in relation thereto; to prescribe certain fees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain persons and state departments; and to prescribe remedies and penalties," by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 4, 4a, 5, 5c, 6, 6a, 6c, and 9 (MCL 256.601, 256.602, 256.604, 256.604a, 256.605, 256.605c, 256.606, 256.606a, 256.606c, and 256.609), the title and section 1 as amended and sections 4a and 6c as added by 1992 PA 169, sections 2, 4, and 6 as amended and section 5c as added by 1998 PA 11, section 5 as amended by 2000 PA 285, and section 6a as added by 1984 PA 391, and by adding sections 1a, 1b, and 1c and part 3 and by adding headings for parts 1, 2, and 3; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Appropriations reported
Senate Bill No. 1018, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 306, 310e, and 811 (MCL 257.306, 257.310e, and 257.811), section 306 as amended by 2002 PA 534, section 310e as amended by 2003 PA 61, and section 811 as amended by 2003 PA 152.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1019, entitled

A bill to amend 1971 PA 140, entitled "Glenn Steil state revenue sharing act of 1971," by amending sections 11 and 13 (MCL 141.911 and 141.913), as amended by 2003 PA 168.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1020, entitled

A bill to amend 1999 PA 94, entitled "Michigan merit award scholarship act," by amending section 8 (MCL 390.1458), as amended by 2003 PA 186.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1021, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 182, entitled "State police retirement act of 1986," by amending sections 3, 4, 14, 14a, 42, and 43 (MCL 38.1603, 38.1604, 38.1614, 38.1614a, 38.1642, and 38.1643), sections 3 and 14 as amended by 2000 PA 374, section 14a as added by 1995 PA 192, section 42 as amended by 1989 PA 191, and section 43 as amended by 2002 PA 96, and by adding section 24a.

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

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

Shirley Johnson
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Appropriations reported
House Bill No. 5266, entitled

A bill to amend 1943 PA 240, entitled "State employees' retirement act," by amending sections 1a, 1e, 1i, 49, 53, 55, and 64 (MCL 38.1a, 38.1e, 38.1i, 38.49, 38.53, 38.55, and 38.64), section 1a as amended by 1998 PA 205, sections 1e and 1i as amended and sections 53, 55, and 64 as added by 1996 PA 487, and section 49 as amended by 2002 PA 93.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported
House Bill No. 5279, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 182, entitled "State police retirement act of 1986," by amending sections 3, 4, 14, 14a, 42, and 43 (MCL 38.1603, 38.1604, 38.1614, 38.1614a, 38.1642, and 38.1643), sections 3 and 14 as amended by 2000 PA 374, section 14a as added by 1995 PA 192, section 42 as amended by 1989 PA 191, and section 43 as amended by 2002 PA 96, and by adding section 24a.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Shirley Johnson
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Johnson, Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Appropriations submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 2:30 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Johnson (C), Stamas, Brown, Goschka, Garcia, Cropsey, Jelinek, McManus, Hardiman, George, Prusi, Barcia, Scott, Cherry, Clarke and Switalski

The Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform reported
Senate Resolution No. 219.

A resolution to urge the United States Department of Energy to develop the Rare Isotope Accelerator at Michigan State University.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 18, p. 241.)

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

Alan Sanborn
 Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Sanborn, Allen, Gilbert, Jacobs and Basham

Nays: None

The resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Sanborn (C), Allen, Gilbert, Jacobs and Basham

The Committee on Education reported

Senate Bill No. 944, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 166a (MCL 388.1766a), as amended by 2003 PA 158.

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

Wayne Kuipers
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kuipers, Cassis and Van Woerkom

Nays: Senators Clark-Coleman and Leland

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

The Committee on Education reported

Senate Bill No. 943, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 1169 and 1507 (MCL 380.1169 and 380.1507), as amended by 1993 PA 335, and by adding section 1507b.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Wayne Kuipers
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Kuipers, Cassis and Van Woerkom

Nays: Senators Clark-Coleman and Leland

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Education submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 4, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Kuipers (C), Cassis, Van Woerkom, Clark-Coleman and Leland

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Finance submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Cassis (C), Garcia, McManus, Thomas and Brater

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Technology and Energy submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Patterson (C), Toy, Birkholz, Cassis, Olshove, Leland and Bernero

Excused: Senator Brown

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 4, 2004, at 12:00 noon, Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Bishop (C), Van Woerkom, Sanborn, Stamas, Leland, Olshove and Clark-Coleman

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Community Health submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, March 4, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators Stamas, (C), George, Johnson, Garcia, Cherry and Clarke

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Higher Education submitted the following:

Meeting held on Friday, March 5, 2004, at 10:00 a.m., Cornerstone University, Gainey Conference Center, 1001 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids

Present: Senators Goschka (C) and Hardiman

Excused: Senators Johnson, Cherry and Prusi

Scheduled Meetings

Appropriations - Wednesday, March 10, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2523)

Subcommittees -

Commerce, Labor and Economic Development - Wednesday, March 10, 3:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-2420)

Community Colleges - Tuesday, March 16, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-6960)

Community Health Department - Thursday, March 18, 2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-7946)

Environmental Quality Department - Wednesdays, March 10 and March 17, 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1725)

Higher Education - Friday, March 12, 9:00 a.m., Lake Superior State University, Sault Ste. Marie; and Wednesday, March 17, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1760)

Judiciary and Corrections - Tuesday, March 16, 3:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-3760) (CANCELED)

K-12, School Aid, - Wednesday, March 10, 2:00 p.m. or later immediately following Appropriations Committee meeting, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-6960)

Natural Resources Department - Tuesday, March 16, 12:00 noon, Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1725)

State Police and Military Affairs - Tuesdays, April 20, April 27, May 4 and May 11, 1:00 p.m., Room 405, Capitol Building (373-5932)

State Police and Military Affairs and House State Police/Military and Veterans Affairs - Thursday, March 18, 8:30 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-5932)

Banking and Financial Institutions - Thursday, March 11, 12:00 noon, Room 100, Farnum Building (373-2417)

Education - Thursday, March 11, 2:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-6920)

Finance - Wednesday, March 10, 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1758)

Health Policy - Wednesday, March 10, 1:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower (373-3543)

Local, Urban and State Affairs - Thursday, March 11, 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building (373-1707)

Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs - Wednesday, March 10, 1:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building (373-1707)

Technology and Energy - Wednesday, March 10, 3:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-7350)

Senator Hammerstrom moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:50 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, declared the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate