

HOUSE BILL No. 5687

April 27, 2000, Introduced by Reps. Basham, Woodward, Schermesser, Spade, Bovin, Jamnick, Lockwood and Callahan and referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

A bill to designate December 7 of each year as Pearl Harbor day in the state of Michigan.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. (1) The legislature recognizes the enormous sacri-
- 2 fice made by the 2,335 servicemen and servicewomen who gave their
- 3 lives in the defense of this nation during the Japanese surprise
- 4 attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Another 1,143 serv-
- 5 icemen and servicewomen were injured during the attack. The leg-
- 6 islature further recognizes that the attack on Pearl Harbor
- 7 changed the course of history by bringing the United States into
- 8 the war with Japan and Germany. In commemoration of this his-
- 9 toric and tragic attack, the legislature declares that December 7
- 10 of each year shall be known as "Pearl Harbor Day".
- 11 (2) The legislature encourages individuals, governmental and
- 12 educational institutions, and community organizations to pause on

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- 1 Pearl Harbor day and reflect upon the courage and sacrifice of
- 2 those who died or were injured in that attack.