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12:00 Noon.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, the Representatives-elect to the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan for the years 2025 and 2026, assembled in Representative Hall in the Capitol at Lansing on the second Wednesday in January, the 8th of January, 2025 at 12:00 o'clock noon, and in accordance with law, were called to order by Richard J. Brown, Clerk of the preceding House.

Pastor Lorenzo Sewell, Senior Pastor of 180° Church in Detroit, offered the following invocation:

“God of Abraham, Issac and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, God of mercy and comfort thank You today for 110 house districts, 83 counties, five Great Lakes, Up North, the Westside of the State, the southeastern side of the state, and the largest voting block in our state the city of Detroit.

Thank You for being so kind to us that You would allow us to approach You on this 103rd session of the Michigan State legislature. You’ve been kind enough to protect us, guide us and lead us to this point. We give You glory that progress is always bi-partisan.

We are believing that this session would be one of the greatest signs of unity and progress in our states history. Thank You for never giving up on Michigan. We pray that Michigan would never give up on You.

Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus, now we turn our hearts and our faith toward the families of our leaders, for our governor, and for our state legislature. Our prayer is that You protect us from things seen and unseen, we ask that You would cover, lead, guide and anoint our leaders to do Your will and not their own will.

We’re asking that You would give Hope to the hopeless, peace in the midst of a storm...revelation and insight in the mist of chaos and corruption...how we need You!

We bring before You, Your words concerning us... If my people that are called by my name, if they humble themselves and pray if they seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, you would hear from heaven, forgive our sin and heal our land.

Heavenly Father, we are asking that You would put Your hand upon Michigan and heal the hurts, hangups and habits that we may have. Those areas in our lives that are not politically advantageous for our constituents.

We want You to bring heaven down to earth, so we are asking You this day to use us. We commit our minds to You that we might think Your thoughts, we commit our hearts to You that we may feel Your heart, we commit our hands to You that we may do Your will, and we commit our feet to You that we may walk in the way that You’ve called us to walk.

We are asking that You would accept our prayers, our praise, and our faith on this day that we would represent You to the great state of Michigan and people would be able to say that’s what Heaven looks like. We will be so careful to give You all the glory, we will be so careful to give You all the praise, and we will be so careful to give You all the Honor. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray amen.”

Communications from State Officers

November 27, 2024

Richard Brown, Clerk
Michigan House of Representatives
H-72
State Capitol Building
100 N. Capitol Ave
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Clerk Brown:

Enclosed please find the certified listing of the candidates elected to the office of State Representative at the November 5, 2024 General Election. Copies of the official returns certified for the election are provided for your reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Brater
Director of Elections

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I, Jocelyn Benson, Secretary of State and Custodian of the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, certify that the persons named on the attached listing were duly elected at the November 5, 2024 General Election to the Office of State Representative for a term commencing on January 1, 2025 and ending on January 1, 2027, as shown by the official returns certified for the election and placed on file in this office.

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In witness whereof, I have hereto attached my signature and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, on November 27, 2024.

Jocelyn Benson
Secretary of State

State of Michigan

General Election - November, 2024

Representatives Elect

State Legislature

House

| District | Party | Name | Address |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|---|
| 1 | DEM | Tyrone Carter | 25701 W Outer Dr, Detroit, MI 48217 |
| 2 | DEM | Tullio Liberati, Jr. | 9260 Reeck, Allen Park, MI 48101 |
| 3 | DEM | Alabas Farhat | 4795 Rosalie, Dearborn, MI 48120 |
| 4 | DEM | Karen Whitsett | 11406 Littlefield St, Detroit, MI 48227 |
| 5 | DEM | Regina Weiss | 23470 Majestic St, Oak Park, MI 48237 |
| 6 | DEM | Natalie Price | 2428 Phillips Ave, Berkley, MI 48072 |
| 7 | DEM | Tonya Myers Phillips | 830 Blaine St, Detroit, MI 48202 |
| 8 | DEM | Helena Scott | PO Box 21451, Detroit, MI 48221 |
| 9 | DEM | Joe Tate | 192 Lenox St, Detroit, MI 48215 |

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| 10 | DEM | Veronica Paiz | 20052 Hunt Club Dr, Harper Woods, MI 48225 |
| 11 | DEM | Donavan McKinney | 4365 E Outer Dr, Detroit, MI 48234 |
| 12 | DEM | Kimberly L. Edwards | PO Box 901, Eastpointe, MI 48021 |
| 13 | DEM | Mai Xiong | 32820 Newcastle Dr, Warren, MI 48093 |
| 14 | DEM | Mike McFall | 1405 E Madge Ave, Hazel Park, MI 48030 |
| 15 | DEM | Erin Byrnes | 2230 Queen St, Dearborn, MI 48124 |
| 16 | DEM | Stephanie A. Young | 14567 Rosemont Ave, Detroit, MI 48223 |
| 17 | DEM | Laurie Pohutsky | 17476 Rexwood St, Livonia, MI 48152 |
| 18 | DEM | Jason Hoskins | PO Box 2125, Southfield, MI 48037 |
| 19 | DEM | Samantha Steckloff | 37885 Glengrove Dr, Farmington Hills, MI 48331 |
| 20 | DEM | Noah Arbit | PO Box 253005, West Bloomfield, MI 48325 |
| 21 | DEM | Kelly Breen | 242 Linhart St, Novi, MI 48377 |
| 22 | DEM | Matt Koleszar | 42533 Schoolcraft, Plymouth, MI 48170 |
| 23 | DEM | Jason Morgan | 1755 Brian Ct, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 |
| 24 | DEM | Ranjeev Puri | 761 Roosevelt St, Canton, MI 48188 |
| 25 | DEM | Peter Herzberg | 33016 Lynx St, Westland, MI 48185 |
| 26 | DEM | Dylan Wegela | 6909 Whitby St, Garden City, MI 48135 |
| 27 | REP | Rylee Linting | PO Box 55, Wyandotte, MI 48192 |
| 28 | REP | Jamie Thompson | 27314 Oakcrest Dr, Brownstown Twp, MI 48183 |
| 29 | REP | James DeSana | 2230 W Sigler Rd, Carleton, MI 48117 |
| 30 | REP | William T. Bruck | 10406 Cemetery Rd, Erie, MI 48133 |
| 31 | DEM | Reggie Miller | 13697 Pond Bluff Dr, Van Buren Twp, MI 48111 |
| 32 | DEM | Jimmie Wilson, Jr. | 7110 Wellington Ln, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 |
| 33 | DEM | Morgan Foreman | 2143 Glencoe Hills Dr Apt 5, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 |
| 34 | REP | Nancy Jenkins-Arno | 14654 Forrister Rd, Clayton, MI 49235 |
| 35 | REP | Jennifer Wortz | 172 N Ray Quincy Rd, Quincy, MI 49082 |
| 36 | REP | Steve Carra | 225 Heather Ln Apt 9, Three Rivers, MI 49093 |
| 37 | REP | Brad Paquette | 1215 Fair Oaks Dr N, Niles, MI 49120 |
| 38 | DEM | Joey Andrews | 1288 Vineland Rd, St Joseph, MI 49085 |
| 39 | REP | Pauline Wendzel | 8510 Danneffel Rd, Watervliet, MI 49098 |
| 40 | DEM | Matt Longjohn | 2956 Innisbrook, Portage, MI 49024 |
| 41 | DEM | Julie M. Rogers | 3428 Marlane Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49006 |
| 42 | REP | Matt Hall | 5455 Gull Rd, Ste D #147, Kalamazoo, MI 49048 |
| 43 | REP | Rachelle Smit | 216 124th Ave, Shelbyville, MI 49344 |
| 44 | REP | Steve Frisbie | 1541 Morse Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49014 |
| 45 | REP | Sarah Lightner | 9915 N Parma Rd, Springport, MI 49284 |
| 46 | REP | Kathy Schmaltz | 2300 Foote Manor Dr, Jackson, MI 49203 |
| 47 | DEM | Carrie A. Rheingans | 2557 Miller Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 |
| 48 | DEM | Jennifer A. Conlin | 435 Stein Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 |
| 49 | REP | Ann Bollin | 2722 Pineview Trl, Brighton, MI 48114 |
| 50 | REP | Jason Woolford | 504 Chandler St Apt 301, Howell, MI 48855 |
| 51 | REP | Matt Maddock | 1150 S Milford Rd, Milford, MI 48381 |
| 52 | REP | Mike Harris | 7111 Dixie Hwy Ste 112, Clarkston, MI 48346 |
| 53 | DEM | Brenda Carter | 86 W Yale Ave, Pontiac, MI 48340 |
| 54 | REP | Donni Steele | 742 Lawson St, Lake Orion, MI 48362 |
| 55 | REP | Mark Tisdell | PO Box 80146, Rochester, MI 48308 |
| 56 | DEM | Sharon MacDonell | PO Box 99221, Troy, MI 48085 |
| 57 | REP | Thomas E. Kuhn | 1595 Pebble Point Dr, Troy, MI 48085 |
| 58 | REP | Ron Robinson | 7887 Ruby St, Utica, MI 48317 |
| 59 | REP | Douglas C. Wozniak | 53831 Whitby Way, Shelby Twp, MI 48316 |
| 60 | REP | Joseph Aragona | 42033 Coulon, Clinton Twp, MI 48038 |
| 61 | DEM | Denise Mentzer | 1399 Kingsley St, Mount Clemens, MI 48043 |
| 62 | REP | Alicia St. Germaine | 38252 Mast St, Harrison Twp, MI 48045 |
| 63 | REP | Jay DeBoyer | 8060 Anchor Bay Dr, Clay, MI 48001 |
| 64 | REP | Joseph G. Pavlov | 350 Scott Rd, Kimball Twp, MI 48074 |
| 65 | REP | Jaime Greene | 68302 Lake Angela Dr, Richmond, MI 48062 |
| 66 | REP | Josh Schriver | 597 Mechanic St, Oxford, MI 48371 |
| 67 | REP | Phil Green | 7650 Trumbower Trl, Millington, MI 48746 |
| 68 | REP | David W. Martin | 805 S State Rd #122, Davison, MI 48423 |

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| 69 | DEM | Jasper Ryan Martus | 612 Northwood Dr, Flushing, MI 48433 |
| 70 | DEM | Cynthia R. Neeley | 2305 Begole St, Flint, MI 48504 |
| 71 | REP | Brian BeGole | 1975 E Beard Rd, Perry, MI 48872 |
| 72 | REP | Mike Mueller | 6127 Lobdell Rd, Linden, MI 48451 |
| 73 | DEM | Julie Brixie | 2294 Hamilton Rd, Okemos, MI 48864 |
| 74 | DEM | Kara Hope | 1891 Maple St, Holt, MI 48842 |
| 75 | DEM | Penelope Tsernoglou | 1197 Prescott Dr, East Lansing, MI 48823 |
| 76 | DEM | Angela Witwer | 2122 Boxwood Ln, Lansing, MI 48917 |
| 77 | DEM | Emily E Dievendorf | 315 W Allegan St #16026, Lansing, MI 48933 |
| 78 | REP | Gina Johnsen | 411 Pineview Dr, Lake Odessa, MI 48849 |
| 79 | REP | Angela Rigas | PO Box 365, Caledonia, MI 49316 |
| 80 | DEM | Phil Skaggs | 2615 Hall St SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506 |
| 81 | DEM | Stephen Wooden | 161 Gilpin St NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505 |
| 82 | DEM | Kristian Grant | 429 Elliot St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49507 |
| 83 | DEM | John Fitzgerald | 1780 Glenvale Ct SW, Wyoming, MI 49519 |
| 84 | DEM | Carol Glanville | PO Box 140976, Grand Rapids, MI 49514 |
| 85 | REP | Bradley Slagh | PO Box 453, Zeeland, MI 49464 |
| 86 | REP | Nancy DeBoer | 157 W 40th St, Holland, MI 49423 |
| 87 | DEM | Will Snyder | 1445 Winchester Dr, Muskegon, MI 49441 |
| 88 | REP | Greg VanWoerkom | 6899 Breeze Point Dr, Norton Shores, MI 49444 |
| 89 | REP | Luke Meerman | 14250 60th Ave, Coopersville, MI 49404 |
| 90 | REP | Bryan Posthumus | 6691 Boca Vista Dr NE #302, Rockford, MI 49341 |
| 91 | REP | Pat Outman | 6399 N Miles Rd, Six Lakes, MI 48886 |
| 92 | REP | Jerry Neyer | 1455 E Walton Rd, Shepherd, MI 48883 |
| 93 | REP | Tim Kelly | PO Box 6536, Saginaw, MI 48608 |
| 94 | DEM | Amos O'Neal | 207 Moton Dr, Saginaw, MI 48601 |
| 95 | REP | Bill G. Schuette | 3410 N Bent Oak Dr, Midland, MI 48640 |
| 96 | REP | Timothy Beson | 3623 Kawkawlin River Dr, Bay City, MI 48206 |
| 97 | REP | Matthew Bierlein | 4724 Hanes Rd, Vassar, MI 48768 |
| 98 | REP | Gregory L. Alexander | 2646 Washington Rd, Carsonville, MI 48419 |
| 99 | REP | Mike Hoadley | 2890 E Midshipman Dr, Au Gres, MI 48703 |
| 100 | REP | Tom Kunse | PO Box 506, Clare, MI 48617 |
| 101 | REP | Joseph D. Fox | PO Box 333, Fremont, MI 49412 |
| 102 | REP | Curt VanderWall | 4906 Rasmussen Rd, Ludington, MI 49431 |
| 103 | DEM | Betsy Coffia | 1018 Boyd Ave, Traverse City, MI 49686 |
| 104 | REP | John R. Roth | PO Box 246, Interlochen, MI 49643 |
| 105 | REP | Ken Borton | 7682 White Cloud Trl, Gaylord, MI 49735 |
| 106 | REP | Cam Cavitt | 2671 Tryban Rd, Cheboygan, MI 49721 |
| 107 | REP | Parker Fairbairn | 8095 S Lakeshore Dr, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 |
| 108 | REP | David Prestin | W988 County Road 352 G 12, Cedar River, MI 49887 |
| 109 | REP | Karl Bohnak | 413 Croix St, Negaunee, MI 49866 |
| 110 | REP | Gregory J. Markkanen | 743 Hancock St, Hancock, MI 49930 |

Oath of Office

The Representatives-elect appeared at the Clerk's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, which was administered by the Hon. Kyra Harris Bolden, Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Posthumus moved that Rule 2 be suspended.

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

Rep. Posthumus moved that the Clerk be directed to notify the Governor and the President of the Senate that the House had completed its organization and was ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The motion prevailed.

The Clerk announced that the next business in order was the election of a Speaker.

Rep. DeBoer placed in nomination the name of Rep. Hall.

Rep. Posthumus moved that Rule 17 be suspended.
The motion prevailed, 3/5 of the members present voting therefor.

Rep. Posthumus moved that the following remarks be printed in the Journal.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. DeBoer:

“It is with a deep sense of respect and decorum for this honorable Chamber and the great state of Michigan that I rise to nominate my friend, colleague, and proven leader to be the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

He is a sincere listener who takes messages to heart. He understands the value each person brings to the whole body. He carries a sense of duty to protect and provide for the children, families, workers, businesses, and communities of Michigan.

Matt has worked hard every day, all day, whether anyone saw it or not. He has stayed on mission with a determined perseverance, focusing on the vision, wisely navigating the challenges with agility and strength. We can always learn a lot about a person’s character when they are entrusted with power. Some reach that achievement before they develop character. Others achieve position after difficult character-shaping experiences.

We are thankful for all the lessons Speaker-elect Hall has learned in the House through being in the Majority as well as in the Minority and in life up to this point. We respect his evenhanded approach to office budgets, committee assignments, and the authority of the House as a branch of government.

I am honored to nominate Representative Matt Hall to be the Speaker of the House for the 103rd Legislature, not because he drifted into this Chamber, but because he has worked hard, faced overwhelming opposition, seemingly impossible odds, and has risen to this opportunity with heartfelt listening, incessant strategic thinking, and the lionhearted soul of bold leadership.

Please join me in supporting the election of the honorable Representative Matt Hall from HD42.”

Rep. Puri seconded the nomination of Rep. Hall.

Rep. Puri:

“Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

Today, as we gather to begin a new legislative term, we are reminded of the immense responsibility and privilege bestowed upon us by the people of Michigan. It is a moment to reflect on the work we have accomplished together and to look ahead with determination, united in our shared goal of building a brighter future for our state.

With this spirit of service and collaboration in mind, I rise on behalf of the House Democratic Caucus to second the nomination of my colleague, Representative Matt Hall, as Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives for the 103rd Legislature.

As we embark on this new term, we must lead by example. Our actions in this chamber resonate far beyond these walls. They signal to the great people of Michigan that their elected leaders deliver solutions, not divisions; progress, not partisanship.

Michigan is a diverse state, and our constituents demand we work together. If we’ve seen anything, bipartisanship isn’t just a buzzword—it’s a necessity. Representative Hall will be presented with the opportunity to reach across the aisle to find common ground, ensuring this chamber prioritizes pragmatic policy over petty politics.

In that regard, I trust we will spend this term, not debating about parking spots and seating assignments, but instead focus on delivering for the people of Michigan.

We have the chance to advance policies that truly benefit Michigan families. From providing real tax relief to addressing the rising cost of living, to strengthening our education system, and ensuring our communities remain safe—these are issues that transcend party lines. As Speaker, Representative Hall will be bestowed with the responsibility to demonstrate leadership that ensures these priorities are addressed through cooperation and mutual respect. I trust that he will make every attempt to heed this call.

Representative Hall has an opportunity to lead this body with fairness, respect, and a deep commitment to the values we hold dear. His leadership should ensure that the House remains a place where diverse perspectives are valued, and the best ideas rise to the top for the benefit of all Michiganders.

But above all, we must remember that our work is not about us; it's about the people who send us here. It is about working families struggling to make ends meet, the small business owner facing rising costs, and the child who deserves a better education. It is about communities who have longed for increased funding for their essential services, roads worthy of the cars we build here, and opportunities for those who seek it. Let us work, through thoughtful leadership and genuine collaboration, to ensure our actions reflect the needs and aspirations of those we represent.

It was 44 years ago that a humble peanut farmer from Georgia turned President reminded us of the unique journey we have as a democracy.

'We know that democracy is always an unfinished creation. Each generation must renew its foundations. Each generation must rediscover the meaning of this hallowed vision in the light of its own modern challenges.'

This is our moment to rediscover the meaning of democracy in light of our own challenges.

This is a moment where our deeds must meet our dialogue. If we truly are committed to restoring trust in our institutions, building confidence in our state, and aspiring to be the best place to raise a family, it begins by believing in a better politics that puts people first.

It is in the spirit of building a better Michigan, rooted in consensus and collaboration, that I second the nomination of Representative Matt Hall as the next Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives.

Let us come together to build a politics of possibilities for all Michiganders."

The question being on the election of a Speaker,

The roll of the House was called by the Assistant Clerk and the members voted as follows:

Roll Call No. 1

Yeas—110

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

Nays—0

The Clerk announced that Rep. Hall, having received a majority vote of the members present and voting, was duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Hall:

“First of all, thank you, Nancy DeBoer, that was an incredible nomination and I appreciate Leader Puri. I’ve done that and its not easy to do, seconding the nomination. I did that for Speaker Tate, and you did it for me, so thank you. That’s how we keep this institution together is we respect those traditions. We’ve been able to keep all of that Washington DC stuff out of here, so I appreciate you and your members honoring that, it works both ways, so I appreciate that.

Obviously, Meagan is here, my wife, and Kyler is here. Thank the two of you for being so supportive of me over the last few years. There’s a lot of family here and we certainly recognize all the sacrifices that all of you have made and continue to make. It is a tough job, they have been pretty critical of me, as Nancy said, critical of Meagan and it has been hard. We signed up to serve the people of Michigan, and it’s tough, but we’ve done it. I give all the family members here so much credit for all sacrifices each of you make, because it is hard. Your family members are away, but they are doing important work serving your communities, so thank you to all of the family members here today, I applaud you. My parents are here, Charles and Jane Hall, so thank you for being here, I was happy you could join us.

I also wanted to thank Governor Snyder for being here. I think that Governor Snyder was kind of Elon Musk before that was cool. A guy ran to reinvent government and bring entrepreneurship to government before that was cool. I was thinking about it and Elon has DOGE and you had Dog Years. You were ahead of your time, and you have been a great mentor to me and to our caucus, thank you for being here.

I worked for Terri Land when she was Secretary of State, so thank you for being here Terri. I learned a lot from Terri, and Bill Schuette, the former attorney general who is here, thank you. Not as many people know this but, Former State Representative Jerry Vander Roest. Thank you, Jerry, for being here. I worked for all three of these people as I came up before I ran for office. I learned a lot from each of you and it means a lot to me that you are all here today so thank you.

I know there are a lot of former elected officials here, people that I served with in this chamber. I looked at this chart and I am number eight in seniority now. I’ll probably never catch Curt VanderWall, he’s number one and welcome back Curt after your health situation, we’re happy to have you. I said, ‘I really need your vote, can you be there?’ and he said, ‘I’ll be there’ so thank you Curt. I’ll just say that you think about that, Tyrone Carter, Angela Witwer, myself, and Joe Tate. There were a lot of great people that served with us over the years, and I invited many of them back. It just meant so much to me going through this with all of you as we built this together. It meant a lot to me, and I am happy you could be here. We are going to rebuild this again and make you proud, so I am happy you could join us.

There are a lot of other people here that worked with us along the way to help us win this majority back and it was hard. There was a pretty broken party when we started and not a lot of people who thought we could win, so we had to go and work hard to do it, so I just want to tell everyone here that was a part of that, we did it, you were all a part of it, and this is for you. We did it and I hope that you share in this today, this has been a long time coming, bringing balance back to state government.”

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 1.

A resolution to prescribe the Standing Rules for the 2025-2026 session of the House of Representatives.

STANDING RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MICHIGAN CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV, SECTION 16

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

Meetings, Officers and Quorum.

Rule 1. (1) The House shall meet in regular session at the seat of government on the second Wednesday in January of each year at twelve o’clock noon. In each odd-numbered year, it shall proceed with its

organization and the election of a Speaker and a Clerk for the ensuing term of the Legislature. All elections shall be by roll call and shall require a majority of the Members voting to elect.

(2) A majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and not less than 15 Members voting in favor thereof may compel the attendance of absent Members and prescribe penalties for non-attendance. (See Const 1963, Art 4 §§ 13 and 14)

Admission to Floor--Defined.

Rule 2. (1) No person shall be admitted on the floor of the House for a period of 30 minutes immediately preceding the time set for any call to order during any session of the House through adjournment, except as follows:

- (a) Representatives and Senators;
- (b) Former Legislators, unless otherwise restricted;
- (c) Sergeants at Arms, pages, Clerk's staff, and legislative staff who are specifically designated and approved by the Majority Floor Leader to be working on the House floor during session;
- (d) Immediate family of Representatives who have obtained and are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Majority Floor Leader;
- (e) Media correspondents accredited by the Clerk of the House who are wearing in plain sight appropriate identification passes, issued under guidelines developed by the Clerk. Media correspondents shall not use the center aisle or be at the Members' desks without the permission of the Majority Floor Leader; and
- (f) Such other persons as may be invited by the Speaker or Majority Floor Leader.

(2) No group or individual shall be allowed access to the floor when the House is not in session unless permission is granted by the Majority Floor Leader or Clerk. The Majority Floor Leader and Clerk shall issue guidelines to ensure that guests using the floor are responsible for costs incurred by the House. If permission is given to a Member to bring guests on the floor when the House is not in session, the Member shall accompany the guests.

(3) Only Members shall sit in Members' chairs.

(4) Any person who is a lobbyist or employed by a lobbyist shall not be admitted on the floor of the House at any time, except immediate family of a Representative if admitted under rule 2(1)(d) on the first session day of an odd-numbered year for a swearing-in ceremony. A former Legislator or immediate family of Representatives shall not lobby on the floor. The words "floor of the House", when used in these rules, shall mean the space of the main floor of Representative Hall, together with adjacent rooms on the second floor of the Capitol under the jurisdiction of the Clerk, including the Democrat and Republican caucus rooms and the corridor behind the House rostrum.

(5) Guests may be introduced only by permission of the Presiding Officer. Guests shall not be introduced during a roll call vote. Guests are to use the center aisle only if being escorted by a Member or House staff.

(6) Use of the center aisle should be kept at a minimum.

(7) The Majority Floor Leader must grant approval for the distribution of items on the floor. All printed material intended for distribution on the floor shall be clearly identified by the Member requesting the distribution.

Bar of the House.

Rule 3. (1) Any Member, having answered attendance roll call at the opening of any session, or who enters after attendance roll call, shall be considered present until leave of absence is obtained from the House. Any Member, having entered upon the floor of the House after the House has been called to order, shall be considered present if within the bar of the House.

(2) The words "within the bar of the House", when used in these rules, shall mean the space occupied and used by the House or any legislative room or office under the jurisdiction of the Clerk.

(3) Cell phones on the floor shall not ring audibly.

(4) All persons within the bar of the House shall be in acceptable business attire.

CHAPTER II OFFICERS SPEAKER

Definitions.

Rule 4. Speaker is any Member elected as Speaker under Rule 1 of these rules.

Duties as Presiding Officer.

Rule 5. (1) The Speaker, Speaker Pro Tempore, Associate Speaker Pro Tempore, or the designee of the Speaker shall take the Chair each day at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned or recessed. The Presiding Officer shall call the House to order and lead the Members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and,

except in the absence of a quorum, shall proceed to business in the manner prescribed by these rules. In the absence of the Speaker, or the designee of the Speaker, the Clerk or Assistant Clerk may call the House to order.

(2) The Speaker, may, by filing a written notice with the Clerk, appoint any Member to perform the duties of the Presiding Officer, but not for a longer time than one day without leave of the House. Such notice shall be entered upon the House Journal.

Rule 6. (1) The Presiding Officer shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order, rising for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House. When two or more Members rise at once, the Presiding Officer shall name the Member who is first to speak.

(2) Only the Presiding Officer shall lead the House in observing a moment of silence.

Duties of Speaker as Chief Administrator.

Rule 7. (1) Payment to all persons, authorized under subsections (2), (3), and (4) to expend House funds for transportation, lodging, meals, registration fees, and related items, shall be made in accordance with expenditure regulations as predetermined and republished to Members by the Speaker. The regulations shall set forth the guidelines for amounts, methods of payment, and time of payment for such items. The Speaker may revise the regulations upon 15-day notice to all Members.

(2) The Speaker may authorize persons to make expenditures from the general funds of the House for administrative purposes. The Speaker may enter into contracts for the purchase and payment of benefits affecting employees, Members of the House, retirees, and their successors in interest.

(3) Regular standing committees of the House shall be allotted such funds as the Speaker may authorize. The Speaker may restrict selected expenditures to a lesser number of Members, alternates, or substitute Members than the number of Members of the standing committee. The funds may be expended for items specified in subsection (1) and for contractual services, publications, and supplies. All expenditures under this subsection shall be approved by the committee Chair and the Speaker and, for items specified in subsection (1), shall be in accordance with the regulations and guidelines provided for by subsection (1).

(4) Additional committees may be authorized by resolution. The resolutions shall set the maximum budget of such committees. Members, alternates, and substitute Members of such additional committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise specified in the resolution. The Speaker may restrict selected expenditures to a lesser number of Members, alternates, or substitute Members than the number of Members specified in the resolution. Budgeted funds may be expended for items specified in subsection (1), for contractual services, publications, and supplies, and for any other items specified in the resolution. Payments for contractual services may be authorized by the committee Chair and the Speaker. All expenditures under this subsection for items specified in subsection (1) shall be in accordance with the regulations and guidelines provided for by subsection (1).

Appointments by the Speaker.

Rule 8. The Speaker shall appoint all committees, except where the House shall otherwise order. If the Speaker makes permanent or temporary additions to or removals from any standing or special committee, the names and the appointments or removals shall take effect when the Clerk and Minority Leader are notified by letter and shall appear in the next House Journal.

Appointment of Employees by Speaker or other Member.

Rule 9. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee, shall appoint all employees of the House. Unless otherwise provided by law, the compensation for all employees and officers of the House shall be fixed by the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee. All employees of the House shall maintain a status as non-tenured, at-will employees and are subject to the House Guidelines and Polices. All employees of the House, other than those working in a Member office, work at the pleasure of the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee. Employees working in a Member office work at the pleasure of the Member.

Voting.

Rule 10. The Speaker and Presiding Officer may vote on all elections and on all questions.

Putting the Question.

Rule 11. (1) The Presiding Officer shall pose all questions to the Members. If in doubt the Presiding Officer may order a division of the House. A division of the House may be had on the demand of ten Members. A vote taken by division is not printed in the House Journal. A roll call of the House may be demanded by

one-fifth of the Members present (see Const 1963, Art 4 § 18) on any pending question and in such case the record of the votes and names of the voting Members shall be entered in the House Journal.

(2) When a division of the House is ordered, the voting board shall be used, and the Clerk shall announce the vote and the Presiding Officer shall declare the result. On a tie vote the question shall be deemed as lost. A majority of those voting shall decide any question unless otherwise provided.

Recognition During Roll Call.

Rule 12. (1) After a question has been stated by the Presiding Officer, and the calling of the roll has been started by the Clerk, the Presiding Officer shall not recognize a Member for any purpose until after the announcement of the vote by the Clerk except:

- (a) To raise a point of order;
- (b) To request an excuse for another Member;
- (c) To announce intent not to vote for reason of potential conflict of interest; and
- (d) To request that the board be cleared.

(2) The Clerk shall enter upon the House Journal the names of those voting “aye” and the names of those voting “nay”. Roll calls shall be consecutively numbered in the House Journal.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

Powers and Duties.

Rule 13. (1) The Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore, or an Associate Speaker Pro Tempore shall preside over the House, unless the Speaker has designated another Member to preside.

(2) In the absence of a designated Presiding Officer, the Clerk shall preside and if a quorum is present may designate a temporary Presiding Officer of the same party as the Speaker.

CLERK

Roll Call.

Rule 14. The Clerk shall serve as parliamentarian of the House. The Clerk shall take the roll at the opening of each session of the House and announce whether or not a quorum is present. The Clerk shall enter upon the House Journal the names of the Members present for attendance roll call, the names of the Members specifically excused from session, and the names of the Members absent from session. The term “roll call” as used in these rules shall mean a record roll call.

Conduct of Religious Exercises.

Rule 15. The Clerk shall arrange for a Member to offer an invocation which will not exceed two minutes in length at the opening of each session of the House. This invocation shall be general in nature and shall be a call to a higher power or authority, may be delivered by the Member, a Member’s guest, or the House Chaplain, and must be submitted to jclerk@house.mi.gov electronically one day in advance. Copyright violations are prohibited. For special occasions, the Clerk may arrange for religious services as needed.

Publication and Correction of House Journal.

Rule 16. (1) The Clerk shall make up and complete the House Journal, supervise its daily publication, and make corrections. The Clerk is authorized to correct totals that may have been affected by amendments made to appropriations bills.

(2) The House Journal is the only official record of the proceedings of the House.

(3) Written or verbal remarks made under the order of business of Comments and Recommendations shall not be printed in the House Journal except for remarks regarding departing Members. Departing Members’ remarks must be submitted electronically to jclerk@house.mi.gov in order to be printed in the House Journal.

House Calendar.

Rule 17. The Clerk shall prepare and make available to each Member each session day a list of the business under each order of business.

Printing, Announcement of Printing and Enrollment of Bills.

Rule 18. The Clerk shall ensure the printing or reproduction of all bills, acts, or documents ordered printed or reproduced by the House. The Clerk shall announce each day the numbers of all bills and letters of all joint resolutions which have been printed or reproduced and placed upon the files of the Members, and the numbers of House bills which have been enrolled and presented to the Governor.

Responsibility for Care of Bills; Presentation of Enrolled Bills to Governor.

Rule 19. The Clerk shall be responsible for the care and preservation of each bill introduced into the House, and for each bill received from the Senate up to the time of its return to that body. This responsibility shall only be relieved by a receipt from a person when the bill passes from his or her possession. The Clerk shall enroll a House bill while the House is not in session if that bill has passed both houses and no action is pending. The Clerk shall notify the House of such action on the next House legislative day. When a House bill has been finally passed by the two houses, the Clerk shall present to the Governor an enrolled copy thereof, taking a receipt showing the day, hour, and minute at which such copy was deposited in the executive office.

Appointment of Assistants.

Rule 20. The Clerk shall, with the consent of the Speaker, appoint an Assistant Clerk and other assistants. All assistants of the Clerk and employees of the House assigned to the Clerk's office shall maintain a status as non-tenured, at-will employees. All assistants and employees of the House assigned to the Clerk's office work at the pleasure of the Clerk and Speaker, shall be subject to the orders of the Clerk and Speaker, and may be transferred to a different position, demoted, suspended, or summarily removed by the Clerk or Speaker.

Accreditation of News Media.

Rule 21. (1) The Clerk shall receive the applications of all members of the news media. Persons desiring to be accredited as official media correspondents at the two-year session shall file a written application with the Clerk. When issuing credentials, the Clerk shall instruct the media person as to conduct on the House floor.

(2) Members of the press corps shall comply with all House rules and guidelines, including acceptable business attire, and shall, while on the House floor during session, display credentials at all times.

Responsibility for Care of House and Televising House Session.

Rule 22. (1) The Clerk shall exercise supervisory care and control of the Hall of the House of Representatives and all House rooms and equipment assigned to the office of the Clerk. The Clerk shall, upon prior written authorization by the Speaker, provide for repairs and alterations in the House Chambers and the connected rooms and corridors and their furniture and equipment.

(2) The Clerk shall be responsible for televised coverage of House session and committee meetings.

(3) As directed by the Speaker, the Clerk shall enter into contractual agreements for rental of House facilities.

Incapacity of Clerk.

Rule 23. In case of the inability of the Clerk to perform the duties of that office, the Assistant Clerk shall be charged with the responsibility of the Clerk and shall perform the Clerk's duties. In case a vacancy exists in the office of the Clerk, the Assistant Clerk shall assume the Clerkship and perform the duties of Clerk until a successor has been elected.

Notices in Cases of Extra Sessions.

Rule 24. Whenever the Legislature shall be called to meet in extraordinary session or in case of emergency, the Clerk shall notify Members and staff electronically of the date and time of convening.

SERGEANT AT ARMS**Definitions.**

Rule 25. The Sergeant at Arms shall be the chief police officer of the House and shall be appointed by the Speaker. Under the direction of the Speaker, the Clerk shall supervise and direct the work of the Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms, and may commission the Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms who meet the certification requirements of this state as law enforcement officers with the powers provided under the Legislative Sergeant at Arms Police Powers Act. (See MCL 4.381 - 4.382)

Powers and Duties.

Rule 26. The Sergeant at Arms shall have charge, under the direction of the Clerk, of the Assistant Sergeants at Arms, pages, and session interns, and control of all police, safety, and security regulations. The Sergeant at Arms shall have authority to serve subpoenas and warrants issued by the House or any duly authorized officer or committee, or cause the same to be done by one of the Assistant Sergeants at Arms or a duly authorized agent. The Sergeant at Arms shall see that all visitors are seated and at no time are standing on the floor or balconies of the House. The Sergeant at Arms shall ensure that reasonable decorum is maintained in the lobby immediately in front of the entrance to Representative Hall to ensure access for Representatives and to ensure equal treatment for all citizens.

CHAPTER III MEMBERS

Conduct in Debate.

Rule 27. When any Member is about to speak in debate or present any matter to the House, the Member shall rise and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confine remarks to the question under debate, and avoid personalities, impugning the motives of another member, or the use of indecent or profane language.

Members Called to Order.

Rule 28. If any Member in speaking transgresses the rules of the House, the Presiding Officer shall, or any Member may, call the transgressor to order, in which case the Member so called to order shall immediately sit down and shall not rise unless to explain or proceed in order.

VOTING

Voting by the Electronic Roll Call System.

Rule 29. (1) When taking the roll call on any question, the electronic roll call system may be used, and shall have the same force and effect as a roll call taken as otherwise provided in these rules. The electronic roll call system shall only be used for legislative business officially before the House.

(2) When the House is ready to vote upon any question requiring a roll call, and the vote is to be taken by the electronic roll call system, the Presiding Officer shall state the question to the Members. The Presiding Officer shall inform Members that the board is open to record their votes. When sufficient time has been allowed the Members to vote, the Presiding Officer shall direct the Clerk to close the board. Any Member can vote or change his or her vote after the board has been closed by rising and, when recognized by the Presiding Officer, announcing his or her vote before the result of the vote has been announced by the Clerk. After a sufficient time has passed to allow late voting, the Presiding Officer shall direct the Clerk to tally, display, and announce the vote. The Clerk shall record the vote in the House Journal.

(3) No Member shall vote for another Member, nor shall any person not a Member cast a vote for a Member. Members shall vote at their assigned seat for record roll call votes. In addition to such penalties as may be prescribed by law, any Member who shall vote or attempt to vote for another Member may be punished in such manner as the House may determine. A person who votes or attempts to vote for a Member shall be barred from the floor of the House for the remainder of the session and may be further punished in such manner as the House may deem proper.

(4) Any vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays and entered upon the House Journal on request of one-fifth of the Members present. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 18)

Vote Explanations.

Rule 30. (1) A Member may dissent from and protest against any act, proceeding, or resolution which the Member deems injurious to any person or the public, and have the reason for dissent printed in the House Journal. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 18)

(2) If a Member desires to abstain from voting because of a potential conflict of interest, the Member may rise, announce his or her intent not to vote, and reserve the right to explain the abstention. The Member shall be granted the right to have the explanatory statement printed in the House Journal. To be printed in the House Journal, the abstention from voting explanation shall be submitted to the Clerk.

(3) No vote explanations, other dissents, or explanations of abstention from voting shall be in compliance with House Rules and shall not be substantively edited by the Clerk before publication in the House Journal. When the Clerk invokes this rule, the Member with the rejected no vote explanation will be told by the Clerk or Clerk's staff of the specific rule violation and given the opportunity to resubmit the no vote explanation.

Conduct.

Rule 31. (1) No person shall pass between the Presiding Officer and a Member who has the floor.

(2) When so ordered by the Presiding Officer, the Members shall keep their seats until the Majority Floor Leader announces that no further voting will occur or the Presiding Officer announces that the House is adjourned. During such time, the Speaker or the Speaker's designees may give a Member permission to temporarily leave his or her seat upon request.

(3) While a bill is considered on Third Reading, the Members shall not leave the floor of the House without permission of the Speaker or the Speaker's designees.

CHAPTER IV COMMITTEES STANDING COMMITTEES

Names and Number of Members.

Rule 32. (1) All standing committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, except where the House shall otherwise order.

(2) The standing committees of the House and the number of Members shall be as follows:

- (a) Agriculture (11)
- (b) Appropriations (29)
- (c) Communications and Technology (11)
- (d) Economic Competitiveness (11)
- (e) Education and Workforce (11)
- (f) Election Integrity (9)
- (g) Energy (17)
- (h) Families and Veterans (11)
- (i) Finance (15)
- (j) Government Operations (5)
- (k) Health Policy (17)
- (l) Insurance (11)
- (m) Judiciary (11)
- (n) Natural Resources and Tourism (17)
- (o) Oversight (17)
- (p) Regulatory Reform (17)
- (q) Rules (9)
- (r) Transportation and Infrastructure (17)

(3) Statutory Standing Committees:

- (a) Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (5)
- (b) House Fiscal Agency Governing Committee (6)
- (c) Legislative Council (6)

(4) The House Journal shall report the roll call on all motions to report bills, resolutions, and reorganization orders. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 17)

(5) Committees shall adopt a meeting schedule at the commencement of each term which shall be printed in the House Journal. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the Members in writing to the Clerk. The Chair may cancel any scheduled meeting, except one called by a majority of the Members, by notice to the Members.

Uniform Committee Rules.

Rule 33. (1) The Clerk of the House shall assign committee clerks with the approval of the respective committee Chairs. Duties of committee clerks shall be prescribed by the Clerk.

(2) Special committees shall operate under the same rules as standing committees insofar as practical. Conference committees on House bills shall meet at a place assigned by the Clerk.

(3) All committees will operate under the following rules:

- (a) A quorum of a committee shall consist of a majority of the Members appointed and serving;
- (b) Members of standing committees may not check in for a committee meeting and leave their vote.

Members of committees may only cast a vote if they are present at the meeting during the vote;

(c) It shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members appointed to and serving on a committee in order to:

- (i) Report a bill or resolution out of committee
- (ii) Recommend an amendment to a bill or resolution
- (iii) Reconsider a vote to report a bill or resolution from committee;

(d) Provided a quorum of a committee is present, it shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members voting in order to:

- (i) Table a bill or resolution
- (ii) Take a bill or resolution from the table
- (iii) Reconsider a vote, other than in subdivision (c)(iii);

(e) It shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Members voting in order to postpone action on a bill or resolution;

(f) The Chair of a standing committee shall determine the agenda for a committee meeting; and

(g) The Chair of a standing committee, in consultation with the Speaker, may create subcommittees and shall designate what is to be considered by each subcommittee. The Chair of the standing committee shall designate a Chair of the subcommittee and shall appoint Members to each subcommittee.

(4) The Speaker may designate additional Members to serve on any subcommittee of a standing committee as voting Members who do not serve on the full committee.

(5) Subcommittees shall follow the same rules as standing committees.

(6) Meetings or public hearings of committees may be scheduled outside of Lansing with prior written approval of the Speaker. Subcommittees must have the prior written approval of the Chair of the standing committee and the Speaker in order to conduct a public hearing or meeting outside of Lansing.

(7) All meetings or public hearings of committees or subcommittees shall comply with the following procedures in order to assure public access (See Const 1963, Art 4 §§ 16 and 17):

(a) All meetings or public hearings shall be open to the public and accessible;

(b) The right of any person to attend a meeting or public hearing includes the right to tape-record, videotape, and/or broadcast live;

(c) The right of any person to attend a meeting or public hearing may not be conditioned on prior approval of, or notice to, the committee or subcommittee;

(d) All decisions of a committee or subcommittee shall be made at a public meeting;

(e) The right of a person to attend a meeting or public hearing shall not be limited by a requirement that she or he register or otherwise provide her or his name or other identifying information;

(f) A person shall not be excluded from a meeting or public hearing of a committee or subcommittee except for a breach of the peace or in order to protect the health and safety of persons in attendance at the meeting;

(g) A conference committee shall give a six-hour notice. A second conference committee shall give a one-hour notice. Notice of a conference committee meeting shall include written notice to each Member of the conference committee and the Majority and Minority Leaders of each house indicating the time and place of the meeting (See 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.265);

(h) A rescheduled or a special meeting of a committee or subcommittee shall be posted at least 18 hours before the scheduled meeting time. No committee, subcommittee, or conference committee shall remain in session or stand in recess beyond the hour of 12:00 midnight; and

(i) Notice of committee or subcommittee meetings or public hearings shall include notice that individuals needing special services to fully participate in the meeting or public hearing may contact the committee or subcommittee Chair to request the necessary assistance.

(8) Each committee shall have written minutes prepared of each meeting. The minutes shall include the date, time, place, Members present, Members absent, Members excused, and any decisions which were made. The minutes shall also include all roll call votes taken at the meeting. The proposed minutes of a meeting shall be available for inspection by the public within eight working days of the meeting. Minutes shall be approved by the committee at the next meeting. Approved minutes shall be available for public inspection no later than five working days after approval.

(9) Committees may excuse a Member from attending a committee meeting.

(10) Committees shall not meet after a session of the House has been called to order without the consent of the House.

(11) With approval of a majority of the Members appointed and serving on the committee, a committee may adopt additional rules provided they do not conflict with the Uniform Standing Committee Rules or with the Standing Rules of the House.

(12) A motion for the previous question is not in order.

Chair of Committee.

Rule 34. The first named Member of any committee shall be the Chair, and the second named Member shall be Vice-Chair. In the absence of both the Chair and Vice-Chair, the next named Member of the Majority party in attendance shall act as Chair. The Chair of the committee may place under oath or affirmation any person who appears to testify before the committee.

Committee and Auditor General Reports.

Rule 35. Upon receipt of Auditor General reports, the Oversight Committee shall review the reports and, if appropriate, refer the reports to the appropriate standing committee for consideration. Consideration by the standing committee shall not impede or preclude any Member from initiating any action in response to an Auditor General report.

Subpoena Power.

Rule 36. (1) Except as provided by MCL 4.541 or subsection (2), the right of a special or standing committee to subpoena shall be granted by resolution of the House in accordance with Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure - 2020 edition. The vote on adoption of a subpoena power resolution shall be by record roll call vote. The votes of a majority of the Members elected and serving shall be required for adoption. The right to subpoena shall not be granted to subcommittees.

(2) The House Oversight Committee for the One Hundred Third Legislature is granted the full scope of power as authorized by MCL 4.101 and MCL 4.541 to administer oaths, issue subpoenas, and examine books and records of any person, partnership, corporation, governmental entity, or political subdivision.

Reports of Committees.

Rule 37. (1) A committee may recommend amendments, a substitute, or referral to another committee, with or without recommendation as to passage or adoption. A substitute is an amendment that replaces all of the language in a bill or resolution.

(2) Substitutes reported by the committee shall include all adopted amendments and shall be prepared by the Legislative Service Bureau. A majority of the Members serving on a committee shall be necessary to report a bill or resolution out of the committee. A majority of the Members appointed to a committee and serving shall constitute a quorum. Minority reports shall not be permitted or received by the House. Bills or resolutions reported without recommendation as to passage or adoption shall lie on the table.

(3) All bills favorably reported back to the House shall be referred to Second Reading together with amendments recommended by the standing committee. All resolutions reported back to the House shall be referred to reports of standing committees together with amendments recommended by the standing committee. If more than one standing committee has considered a bill, only the amendments recommended by the last committee to consider the bill shall be considered.

(4) Except as provided in subsection (5), a bill creating or revising administrative rule promulgation authority or a bill with a recommended amendment that creates or revises administrative rule promulgation authority may only be favorably reported back to the House by the Rules Committee. For legislation referred to the Rules Committee under this subsection, the Committee shall limit its consideration of the bill to the scope of administrative rule promulgation authority.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule, the following committees may favorably report any bill back to the House:

- (a) Appropriations
- (b) Government Operations
- (c) Rules
- (d) Any special or select committee

Public Hearings.

Rule 38. A committee may provide for a public hearing. Notice of such hearing, including its subject, time, and place, shall be given in writing to the Clerk of the House who shall announce the hearing and publish the notice in the House Journal prior to the meeting. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 17)

CHAPTER V TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS

Order of Business.

Rule 39. (1) The order of business of the House shall be as follows, unless otherwise ordered by the House:

- (a) Motions and Resolutions;
- (b) Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment;
- (c) Reports of Select Committees;
- (d) Reports of Standing Committees;
- (e) Messages from the Senate;
- (f) Third Reading;
- (g) Second Reading;
- (h) Notices;
- (i) Messages from the Governor;
- (j) Comments and Recommendations;
- (k) Explanation of "No" Votes;
- (l) Communications from State Officers;
- (m) Introduction of Bills;
- (n) Announcements by the Clerk; and
- (o) Presentation of Petitions.

(2) Routine business on which no vote of the House is required may be disposed of on any day, with or without a quorum present. If a quorum is not present, any item of business becoming the subject of a floor motion shall be postponed to the next legislative day.

(3) The business of the House shall not be delayed or interrupted by speeches by nonmembers, presentations, awards, ceremonies, or musical programs. Except for invocations and joint sessions of the House and Senate, nonmembers are not permitted to give speeches on the floor of the House or in the gallery.

BILLS

Introduction.

Rule 40. (1) All bills to be introduced shall be approved as to form and numbering of sections by the Legislative Service Bureau and be signed by the Member introducing them. Four copies of each shall be

delivered to the office of the Clerk by the sponsoring or co-sponsoring Member not later than three hours prior to calling the House to order, unless permitted by a simple majority vote of those voting. If the sponsoring or co-sponsoring Member is unable to deliver the four copies to the office of the Clerk due to a family or medical exigency, then the leader of that Member's caucus may deliver the copies on his or her behalf. The Clerk shall number bills in the order of receiving, and present the same to the House at the next session of the House. All bills shall be introduced in printed form.

(2) Once a bill has been turned in to the Clerk's office for introduction, up to three hours prior to calling the House to order, a Member may add his or her signature as a co-sponsor only with the permission of the sponsor.

(3) No person may add or remove any signature, other than his or her own, from a bill being introduced.

(4) The Speaker shall refer all bills and joint resolutions to a standing committee no later than one House legislative day after being submitted to the Clerk.

(5) The Speaker may change the original referral of a bill or resolution by written communication submitted to the Clerk before the end of session on the next House legislative day following the day of the original referral. Notice of the referral shall be announced by the Clerk and printed in the Journal.

Order of Consideration.

Rule 41. (1) The order to be taken by bills introduced in the House shall be as follows:

(a) Notice of introduction;

(b) Introduction, First Reading of title, order printed or reproduced, and reference to a standing committee designated by the Speaker;

(c) Report by the committee(s), pursuant to Rule 37, and placing on Second Reading;

(d) Consideration of Second Reading;

(e) Third Reading and vote on passage;

(f) Transmission to Senate if passed;

(g) Returned by the Senate, and, if not amended by the Senate, reference to the Clerk for enrollment printing; if amended by the Senate, laying over one day, and consideration under the same order of business (Messages from the Senate); and (if amendments are concurred in) reference to the Clerk for enrollment printing;

(h) Returned by the Governor with a line-item or a full veto, and such bill shall be taken immediately unless a quorum is not present, in which case it will lay over one day; and

(i) Report by Clerk of enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor.

Senate bills shall, as far as possible, take the same course as House bills.

(2) All joint resolutions shall take the same course as bills and shall be identified by letter, i.e., "A", "B", "C", etc.

(3) Nothing in these rules shall prevent a majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House from discharging a committee from further consideration of any measure. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 16) A notice of one session day shall be given of a motion to discharge any such committee, the notice to be in writing and entered upon the House Journal. If a committee of the House is discharged from further consideration of a bill, the bill shall be placed on the order of Second Reading, and if a committee of the House is discharged from further consideration of a resolution, the resolution shall be placed on the order of Motions and Resolutions.

Reading.

Rule 42. (1) Every bill shall be read three times in the House before its final passage. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26) The First and Second Readings may be by its title only; the Third Reading may be by its title unless there is a motion to read the bill in full supported by one-third of Members voting.

(2) No bill shall be passed or become a law at any regular session until it has been printed or reproduced and in the possession of the House for at least five days. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26)

(3) The Speaker or his or her designee may direct that a bill be printed or reproduced out of order.

Commitment and Amendment.

Rule 43. No bill shall be referred to a committee until it has been read a first time. No bill shall be altered or amended on its passage through the House so as to change its original purpose as determined by its total content and not alone by its title. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 24)

Referral to Second Reading.

Rule 44. All bills reported favorably by a committee of the House in accordance with Rule 37 shall be referred to the order of Second Reading. Such bills shall be kept on file in the order of referral for consideration, and the file shall be called "Second Reading".

Second Reading.

Rule 45. When the House is under the order of "Second Reading", it shall consider the bills in such order as may be determined by a majority of those voting.

Second Reading Amendment.

Rule 46. (1) Under the order of Second Reading, bills shall be read a second time by their title. Committee recommendations, including amendments and substitutes, shall be considered first. Amendments to committee substitutes or committee amendments shall not be considered until such committee substitutes or amendments have been adopted by the House. Amendments offered from the floor shall be submitted to the Clerk and shall be approved as to form by the Clerk before consideration.

(2) When a substitute is offered, amendments to the proposed substitute shall not be considered before the proposed substitute is adopted.

(3) A bill may be advanced to the order of Third Reading by a vote of a majority of the Members voting. Such motion shall take precedence following the motion to amend.

Amendment; Vote.

Rule 47. No bill shall be amended prior to its Second Reading. Bills which have been considered on Second Reading shall be advanced to the order of Third Reading, either by motion and concurrence of a majority of the Members voting or in the absence of objection. Bills shall be subject to all subsidiary motions on Third Reading. Amendments offered on Third Reading shall not be considered, nor printed in the House Journal, unless seconded by a majority of the Members voting. Amendments on Second or Third Reading shall require a majority of the Members elected and serving for adoption. This requirement shall apply to amendments in the first and second degree and no further degree shall be permitted.

Third Reading.

Rule 48. (1) Bills may not be considered for final passage without having been considered on Second Reading. Bills considered on Second Reading may be placed on Third Reading for immediate passage by motion and concurrence of a majority of the Members elected and serving.

(2) Bills failing of passage are subject to reconsideration and if reconsidered are subject to consideration on the order of Third Reading.

Amendment; Co-sponsors.

Rule 49. After an amendment has been turned in to the Clerk, a Member may not add his or her name as a co-sponsor without the approval of the sponsor.

Majority Vote on Bills.

Rule 50. (1) No bill shall become a law without the concurrence of a majority of the Members elected to and serving in the House. On the final passage of bills, the votes and names of the Members voting thereon shall be entered in the House Journal. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 26)

(2) After a House bill has been passed, or upon final action on a House bill returned from the Senate, a Member may add his or her name as a co-sponsor to a bill with the approval of the sponsor.

Extraordinary Vote Requirements.

Rule 51. (1) Action by the House on any of the following matters shall require the vote of two-thirds of the Members elected and serving:

- (a) Expulsion of Member (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 16);
- (b) Immediate Effect (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 27);
- (c) Local or Special Act (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 29);
- (d) Private or Local Purpose Appropriation (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 30);
- (e) Overriding Veto or Line-Item Veto (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 33);
- (f) Bank and Trust Company Laws (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 43);
- (g) Create Courts of Limited Jurisdiction (See Const 1963, Art 6 § 1);
- (h) Removal of Judges (See Const 1963, Art 6 § 25);
- (i) Long Term State Borrowing (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 15);
- (j) State Land Reserve Designation (See Const 1963, Art 10 § 5);
- (k) Rejection or Reduction of Civil Service Pay Increases (See Const 1963, Art 11 § 5);
- (l) Constitutional Amendment (See Const 1963, Art 12 § 1);
- (m) Exceed Revenue Limits (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 27); and
- (n) Mackinac Bridge Bonds Refunding (See Const 1963, Schedule § 14).

(2) Action by the House on any of the following matters shall require the vote of three-fourths of the Members elected and serving:

- (a) Any law which increases the February 1, 1994, statutory limits on the maximum amount of ad valorem property taxes that may be levied for school district operating purposes (See Const 1963, Art 9 § 3); and
- (b) Amendment or Repeal of Initiated Law (See Const 1963, Art 2 § 9).

Appropriations

Rule 52. No appropriations bill containing enhancement grants shall be brought for a vote without proper disclosure of the sponsor and the intended recipient, and a description of the grant in a form and manner established by the House by resolution.

Title; Object; Reference to Compiler's Sections.

Rule 53. No bill shall embrace more than one object, which shall be expressed in its title. No bill shall be altered or amended on its passage through the House so as to change its original purpose as determined by its total content and not alone by its title. (See Const 1963, Art 4 § 24) If the bill proposes any amendment to existing laws, the sections of which have been assigned compiler's section numbers in the last general compilation of public acts, the title shall contain also a reference to the compiler's sections.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS IN GENERAL

Stating Motions.

Rule 54. When a motion is made, and when necessary under the rules, seconded, it shall be stated by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer may require that a motion be submitted in writing. The motion shall be entered upon the House Journal, together with the name of the Member making it, unless withdrawn upon request of the Member making it and by a majority vote of those voting, or ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. If in writing, the motion shall be read aloud by the Clerk before being debated.

Procedural Motions.

Rule 55. Except as otherwise provided in the rules, all procedural motions, including, for purposes of this rule, those for immediate effect, record roll call, and division, shall be made orally after recognition by the Presiding Officer.

When in Possession; Withdrawal.

Rule 56. After a motion has been stated by the Presiding Officer, or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment upon request of the Member making it and by a majority vote of those voting.

Precedence of Motions.

Rule 57. (1) When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except:

- (a) To adjourn;
- (b) To take a recess;
- (c) To reconsider;
- (d) To lay on the table;
- (e) For the previous question;
- (f) To postpone to a day certain;
- (g) To commit;
- (h) To amend; and
- (i) To postpone indefinitely.

(2) Such motions shall take precedence in that order, and shall be decided by a majority vote of those Members voting, except the motion to postpone indefinitely and the motion to amend shall be decided by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving. When a recess is taken with a question pending, the consideration of the question shall be resumed upon reassembling unless otherwise determined. No motion to postpone to a day certain, or to commit, being decided shall be again allowed on the same day and at the same stage of the question. A motion to postpone indefinitely having been decided shall not be subject to reconsideration. When a bill is up for consideration at any stage of procedure, and a motion is made to postpone indefinitely, or to strike out all after the style clause, amendments shall be in order before taking a vote on any such motion.

Always in Order; Not Debatable.

Rule 58. (1) The following motions are not debatable:

- (a) Adjourn;
- (b) Call of the House;
- (c) Recess;
- (d) Previous Question;
- (e) Table or take from the table; and
- (f) Decision of Presiding Officer unless an appeal is taken.

(2) The following motions are debatable but do not open the main question to debate:

- (a) Commit;
- (b) Discharge a committee;
- (c) Postpone to a time certain; and
- (d) Suspension of the Rules.

Order of Putting Questions.

Rule 59. All questions shall be put in the order they were moved, except in the case of privileged questions which take precedence as follows:

- (a) Call of the House when quorum is not present;
- (b) Make or give notice of a motion to reconsider;
- (c) Adjourn;
- (d) Recess; and
- (e) Raise a question of privilege.

Amendments to be Germane.

Rule 60. No independent or new proposition or new question shall be introduced under color of an amendment. All amendments must be germane to the main question. When the question of germaneness is raised, the Presiding Officer shall rule on the question.

Division of Question.

Rule 61. Any Member may call for a division of the question, and if supported by a majority vote of the Members voting, the question shall be divided if its components are so distinct that if one is taken away a substantive proposition shall remain. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

MOTIONS FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION**Method of Ordering.**

Rule 62. (1) The method of ordering the previous question shall be as follows: Any Member may move the previous question, and the motion shall apply to the pending question only. If the motion is seconded by at least ten Members, the Presiding Officer shall put the question of whether the main question shall be put. After the seconding of the motion for the previous question and prior to ordering the same, a Call of the House may be moved and ordered, but after ordering the previous question nothing shall be in order prior to the decision of the pending question, except:

- (a) Demands for the ayes and nays;
- (b) Points of order;
- (c) Appeals from the decision of the Presiding Officer; and
- (d) A motion to adjourn or to take a recess, which shall be decided without debate.

(2) The effect of the previous question shall be to put an end to all debate and bring the House to a direct vote upon the pending question. If the House shall refuse to order the pending question, the consideration on the subject shall be resumed.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER**Motions for Reconsideration.**

Rule 63. Any Member may move for a reconsideration of any question on the same or next succeeding legislative session day, if the bill or resolution is still in the possession of the House. Reconsideration of the vote by which a bill passed the House, or any proposition requiring a vote in excess of a majority of Members elected and serving, shall require a majority of the Members elected and serving. The motion to reconsider shall not be renewed the same day. A motion to reconsider any question shall not be subject to any subsidiary motion except to postpone for the day. The question of passing a bill the objections of the Governor notwithstanding shall not be reconsidered more than twice.

Notice of Reconsideration.

Rule 64. A notice of intention to move for a reconsideration of any bill that is still in the possession of the House may be given by any Member from the floor or in writing to the Clerk, with the support of one-third of the Members elected and serving, which shall be immediately announced by the Clerk, entered upon the House Journal, and the bill shall be retained by the Clerk of the House until after the time expires during which under Rule 63 the motion can be made, either by the Member serving such notice or by any other Member. Notice of intention shall not be in order on the day preceding a recess of one week or more or at a time which would prevent passage of the bill. No other Members may move for reconsideration on the same day that notice of intention to move for a reconsideration is given.

MOTIONS FOR CALLS OF THE HOUSE**Ordering Calls of the House.**

Rule 65. Calls of the House may be ordered upon motion by a majority of the Members present but the total vote in favor of such Call shall not be less than fifteen in number. A motion for a Call of the House shall not be entertained after the previous question is ordered.

Procedure.

Rule 66. After a Call of the House is ordered, the doors shall be closed and the Members shall not be allowed to leave the floor of the House without permission of the Speaker or the Speaker's designees. The roll of the House shall be called by the Clerk. The Sergeant at Arms may be dispatched after the absentees. In such case, a list of the absentees shall be furnished by the Clerk to the Sergeant at Arms, who shall deliver such absentees at the bar of the House with all possible speed. In case the Sergeant at Arms shall require assistance in addition to the regularly appointed Assistant Sergeants at Arms of the House, during an authorized Call of the House, the Speaker or Presiding Officer may, upon motion, deputize any person properly qualified, including any member of the Michigan State Police, as a special assistant Sergeant at Arms. The House may proceed to business under a Call of the House pending the arrival of any absentees.

APPEALS**Form of Question.**

Rule 67. On all appeals from the decisions of the Presiding Officer, the question shall be decided by a majority vote of those voting, by a roll call vote. A tie vote sustains the judgment of the Presiding Officer.

Tabling Appeals.

Rule 68. An appeal may be laid on the table but shall not carry with it the subject matter before the House at the time such appeal is taken.

Amendment or Suspension of Rules.

Rule 69. (1) Any rule of the House may be amended by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving. No rule shall be amended unless the amendment is in writing and in possession of the House five days prior to its consideration. A rule may be suspended by a vote of three-fifths of the Members shown to be present by the House Journal entries.

(2) Suspension of the rules as applied to matters pertaining to order of business, schedule of legislative sessions, and adjournment may be by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving.

Practice.

Rule 70. In all cases not provided by the Constitution, statute, the House Rules, the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, or the consistent practice of the House, the authority shall be Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure - 2020 edition.

House and Concurrent Resolutions.

Rule 71. (1) The order to be taken by resolutions introduced in the House and received from the Senate shall be as follows:

(a) Every resolution, both House and Concurrent, shall be read to the House and shall either be referred by the Speaker to a committee or may be taken up immediately if agreed to by both the Speaker and Minority Leader.

(b) Reported by the committee and placed on reports of standing committees.

(c) Consideration on reports of standing committees unless discharged from further consideration under Rule 41(3) and placed on the order of Motions and Resolutions.

(d) Transmission to Senate if a concurrent resolution is adopted.

(e) Concurrent resolutions returned with amendment may be taken up or remain on the order of Messages from the Senate.

(2) Commemorative resolutions must be received in the Clerk's office at least one day in advance.

(3) Resolutions of sorrow may be considered immediately upon presentation.

(4) The adoption of any concurrent resolution approving any intertransfer or transfer of any appropriation shall be by record roll call vote.

(5) Each Member shall be limited to introduction of two commemorative resolutions per calendar year. By written agreement, a Member may allow another Member to use that Member's yearly commemorative resolution allotment.

CHAPTER VI PUBLIC ACCESS FINANCIAL RECORDS

Access to Financial Records.

Rule 72. (1) The financial records of the House of Representatives shall be open for public inspection. Upon a written request which describes the financial record sufficiently to enable the House of Representatives to find the financial record, a person has a right to inspect, copy, or receive copies of that financial record of the House of Representatives. Documents shall be available for inspection during normal business hours.

(2) A copy of the House financial records shall be on file with the House Business Office, which shall have overall authority to administer the House financial records under the direction of the Speaker of the House.

(3) As used in this section, "financial record" means a budget, contract, purchase order, expenditure authorization, voucher, check, warrant, lease, audit report, balance sheet, travel voucher, or allotment account.

(4) The following information contained in legislative financial records is exempt from disclosure under this rule:

(a) Information of a personal nature contained in financial records where the public disclosure of the information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy. Such information would include, but not be limited to, the following:

(i) An employee's social security account number, financial institution record, electronic transfer fund number, deferred compensation, savings bonds, W-2 and W-4 forms, and any court-enforced judgments.

(ii) An employee's health care benefit selection.

(iii) Telephone bill detail including the telephone number and name of individual called.

(iv) Unemployment Compensation and Workers' Disability Compensation records.

(b) Records and information specifically described and exempted from disclosure under statute or subject to attorney-client privilege;

(c) A bid or proposal by a person to enter into a contract or agreement, until the time for the public opening of bids or proposals, or if a public opening is not to be conducted, until the time for the receipt of bids or proposals has expired;

(d) Commercial or financial information or trade secrets voluntarily provided to the House of Representatives;

(e) Communications, notes, and electronic data within the House of Representatives or between the Legislature and other public bodies of an advisory nature;

(f) Internet-use records; and

(g) Any other document or record protected from public disclosure by agreement, contract, House rule, or law.

(5) The House of Representatives may charge a reasonable fee for providing a copy of a financial record. The fee shall be limited to actual mailing costs and to the actual incremental cost of duplication or publication including labor, the cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion of exempt from nonexempt information.

(6) The House of Representatives may also charge a reasonable fee for providing for the inspection of financial records. This fee may include the actual incremental cost of supervising the inspection including labor, the cost of search, examination, review, and the deletion of exempt from nonexempt information.

Televising of House Session.

Rule 73. (1)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), nothing in these rules shall prohibit the televising of sessions or committee meetings of the Michigan House of Representatives.

(b) During session, Members, staff, and guests shall not tape-record, videotape, video record, audio record, broadcast live, or livestream on the House floor without having obtained prior consent from either the Clerk or any Member(s) depicted or heard in such recording, broadcast, or livestream.

(2) The televised coverage of sessions and committee meetings of the Michigan House of Representatives by House television shall be made available for dissemination, pursuant to subsection (4).

(3) All televised coverage of House session and committee meetings shall be unedited.

(4) No portion of any coverage (either live or taped), recording, broadcast, or livestream authorized pursuant to subsection (2) or subsection (1)(b) may be utilized in any fashion for campaign or political purposes or to promote or oppose a ballot issue or the candidacy of any person for any elective office. Only accredited news organizations, educational institutions, and non-profit public affairs documentary programs may utilize any portion of the House television feed. No part of the House television feed may be used in any paid commercial advertisements.

CHAPTER VII

Personal Privilege and Conduct.

Rule 74. (1) Matters involving personal privilege are limited and include only the following:

- (a) Anything tending to subject a Member to ridicule or contempt;
- (b) Charges in news media accounts relating to a Member in his or her representative capacity only;
- (c) News media accounts attributing to a Member remarks he or she has not made;
- (d) Accusation by another Member in debate of intentional misrepresentation;
- (e) Assault on a Member for words spoken in debate; and
- (f) Arrest of a Member except for treason, felony, or breach of the peace.

(2) Sexual harassment of Members or House employees is prohibited and will not be tolerated by the House.

(3) A Member shall not use his or her position in any manner to solicit or obtain anything of value for himself or herself, House employees, or any other Member which tends to influence the manner in which the Member performs his or her official duties.

(4) A Member shall not convert for personal, business, and/or campaign use, unrelated to House business, any supplies, services, facilities, or staff provided by the State of Michigan. This includes, but is not limited to, telephones, teletype machines, computers, postage, and copy machines.

(5) A Member shall not solicit or accept any type of campaign contribution in any House or Capitol facility or building.

(6) A Member shall conduct himself or herself to justify the confidence placed in him or her by the people and shall, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, maintain the integrity and responsibility of his or her office.

(7) A Member shall not engage in any conduct that materially impairs the ability of the Member to perform the duties of his or her office or substantially impair the public confidence in the House.

(8) A Member shall adhere to these rules and all applicable laws. Any violation of law or these rules by a Member is subject to the House's plenary authority to reprimand, censure, or expel its Members. A reprimand, censure, or expulsion is in addition to any potential civil or criminal penalties otherwise provided by law.

Expungement of Records and Petitions.

Rule 75. (1) Any Member may dissent from and protest against any act, proceeding, or resolution which he or she deems injurious to any person or the public and have the reason for such dissent entered in the House Journal. Any matter may be expunged from the record as not being privileged by order of the House by a majority of the Members elected and serving. When any matter is ordered expunged from the record, as above provided, no mention shall be made of the same, nor of the action of the House in ordering such expungement.

(2) No memorial, remonstrance, or petition, except recount petitions, shall be printed in the House Journal without having been read to the House and ordered printed in the House Journal by a majority vote.

QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS

Oath of Office.

Rule 76. Upon objection by any Representative or Representative-elect, no Representative-elect shall be given the oath of office or be permitted to be seated as a Member if he or she fails to meet any of the qualifications for office. (See, e.g., Const 1963, Art 4 § 7) Upon a finding by a majority vote of the Members elected and serving in the House that such Representative-elect fails to meet any of the qualifications for office, that person shall be declared to be not qualified for membership in the House, and the office shall be declared vacant. The question of a Member's qualifications shall be presented only by a Member.

CHAPTER VIII

Equally Divided House.

Rule 77. If at any time during the One Hundred Third Legislature there are 55 Members duly elected and serving as Democrats as evidenced by the party he or she represented on the general or special election ballot from which he or she was elected to the One Hundred Third Legislature, and 55 Members duly elected and serving as Republicans as evidenced by the party he or she represented on the general or special election ballot from which he or she was elected to the One Hundred Third Legislature, then the House of Representatives shall proceed with the election of a Speaker and other officers provided for in Rule 1 by at least 56 votes.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 2.

A resolution to provide for Rachele Smit to be Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Third Legislature.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Rachele Smit is elected to the office of Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Third Legislature.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted, a majority of the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 2

Yeas—110

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

Nays—0

In The Chair: Hall

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 3.

A resolution to provide for Scott E. Starr to be the Clerk of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Third Legislature.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Scott E. Starr is elected to the office of Clerk of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Third Legislature.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted, a majority of the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 3

Yeas—110

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

Nays—0

In The Chair: Hall

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 4.

A resolution to fix the hour for daily sessions.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That unless otherwise ordered, the daily sessions of the House of Representatives commence on Tuesday and Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and on Thursday at 12:00 noon.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 5.

A resolution to direct the Clerk to notify the Governor that the House of Representatives has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to notify the Governor that the House of Representatives has convened pursuant to the requirements of the *Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963* and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Posthumus and Fitzgerald offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 6.

A resolution to direct the Clerk to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has convened pursuant to the requirements of the *Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963* and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Messages from the Senate

The Honorable Matt Hall
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Mr. Speaker:

By direction of the Senate, I hereby notify you that a quorum of the Senate has assembled and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Very respectfully,
Daniel Oberlin
Secretary of the Senate

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

A concurrent resolution granting authority for adjournment for more than 2 days.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That each house hereby grants unto the other permission to adjourn for not more than 15 intervening calendar days at such times as each house shall determine at any time during the 2025 and 2026 regular sessions.

The Senate has adopted the concurrent resolution.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Notices

January 8th, 2025

Clerk of the House of Representatives
Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Mr. Clerk,

The seat assignments for the 103rd Legislature are as follows:

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| 1—Mark Tisdell | 56—John Fitzgerald |
| 2—Thomas E. Kuhn | 57—Ranjeev Puri |
| 3—Donni Steele | 58—Kelly Breen |

- 4—Ken Borton
 5—Matt Hall
 6—Bryan Posthumus
 7—Nancy DeBoer
 8—Joseph D. Fox
 9—Parker Fairbairn
 10—Curt VanderWall
 11—Rachelle Smit
 12—Rylee Linting
 13—Jamie Thompson
 14—Nancy Jenkins-Arno
 15—Jennifer Wortz
 16—Pat Outman
 17—Steve Frisbie
 18—Mike Harris
 19—Jay DeBoyer
 20—Joseph G. Pavlov
 21—David W. Martin
 22—Jerry Neyer
 23—Angela Rigas
 24—Brian BeGole
 25—Mike Mueller
 26—Ann Bollin
 27—Sarah Lightner
 28—Josh Schriver
 29—Karl Bohnak
 30—David Prestin
 31—Timothy Beson
 32—Alicia St. Germaine
 33—Mike Hoadley
 34—Jason Woolford
 35—Cam Cavitt
 36—Gregory J. Markkanen
 37—Brad Paquette
 38—Kathy Schmaltz
 39—John R. Roth
 40—Bill G. Schuette
 41—Ron Robinson
 42—Matthew Bierlein
 43—Gregory L. Alexander
 44—James DeSana
 45—Douglas C. Wozniak
 46—Pauline Wendzel
 47—Steve Carra
 48—Tim Kelly
 49—William T. Bruck
 50—Matt Maddock
 51—Jaime Greene
 52—Luke Meerman
 53—Gina Johnsen
 54—Joseph Aragona
 55—Greg VanWoerkom
 59—Mike McFall
 60—Carrie A. Rheingans
 61—Tyrone Carter
 62—Jennifer A. Conlin
 63—Jimmie Wilson, Jr.
 64—Stephanie A. Young
 65—Matt Koleszar
 66—Mai Xiong
 67—Morgan Foreman
 68—Phil Skaggs
 69—Kara Hope
 70—Jasper Ryan Martus
 71—Sharon MacDonell
 72—Angela Witwer
 73—Regina Weiss
 74—Matt Longjohn
 75—Betsy Coffia
 76—Cynthia R. Neeley
 77—Jason Hoskins
 78—Julie Brixie
 79—Amos O’Neal
 80—Helena Scott
 81—Stephen Wooden
 82—Penelope Tsernoglou
 83—Donavan McKinney
 84—Dylan Wegela
 85—Denise Mentzer
 86—Natalie Price
 87—Laurie Pohutsky
 88—Tonya Myers Phillips
 89—Noah Arbit
 90—Samantha Steckloff
 91—Kimberly L. Edwards
 92—Joey Andrews
 93—Brenda Carter
 94—Emily E Dievendorf
 95—Jason Morgan
 96—Joe Tate
 97—Phil Green
 98—Karen Whitsett
 99—Alabas Farhat
 100—Kristian Grant
 101—Julie M. Rogers
 102—Erin Byrnes
 103—Carol Glanville
 104—Tom Kunse
 105—Bradley Slagh
 106—Veronica Paiz
 107—Reggie Miller
 108—Will Snyder
 109—Tullio Liberati, Jr.
 110—Peter Herzberg

Sincerely,
 Matt Hall
 Speaker
 Michigan House of Representatives

Rep. Young moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 12:45 p.m.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until Thursday, January 9, at 12:00 Noon.

SCOTT E. STARR
Clerk of the House of Representatives

