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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, September 11, 2025.

10:00 a.m.

Pursuant to rule 1.101, in the absence of the Presiding Officers, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary of the Senate.

The roll was called by the Assistant Secretary of the Senate, who announced that a quorum was not present.

Albert—present
Anthony—present
Bayer—present
Bellino—present
Brinks—present
Bumstead—excused
Camilleri—present
Cavanagh—present
Chang—present
Cherry—present
Daley—excused
Damoose—excused
Geiss—excused

Hauck—present
Hertel—present
Hoitenga—excused
Huizenga—present
Irwin—present
Johnson—excused
Klinefelt—present
Lauwers—excused
Lindsey—present
McBroom—excused
McCann—present
McMorrow—present

Moss—present
Nesbitt—excused
Outman—excused
Polehanki—present
Runestad—excused
Santana—present
Shink—present
Singh—present
Theis—excused
Victory—excused
Webber—present
Wojno—excused

Senator Thomas A. Albert of the 18th District offered the following invocation:

Heavenly Father, we pray to You today with solemn and heavy hearts. Not only do we pray to You for the care of the innocent souls lost 24 years ago in the shocking and evil terrorist attack on 9/11, but also today we pray for the soul of Charlie Kirk and his family as they grieve their loss. Let us pray for an end to this rise in political violence by joining together and using the Words Your Son taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Secretary of the Senate, Daniel Oberlin, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Motions and Communications

Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:03 a.m.

10:34 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator Moss.

During the recess, Senators Camilleri, Moss, Anthony, Klinefelt, Shink and Hertel entered the Senate Chamber.

A quorum of the Senate was present.

Senator Albert moved that Senators Bumstead, Daley, Damoose, Hoitenga, Johnson, Lauwers, McBroom, Nesbitt, Outman, Runestad, Theis and Victory be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that Senators Geiss and Wojno be excused from today's session.
The motion prevailed.

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

Senate Bill No. 413

House Bill No. 4103

House Bill No. 4104

House Bill No. 4207

House Bill No. 4208

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

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Santana, Irwin, Wojno and Geiss introduced

Senate Bill No. 537, entitled

A bill to require the collection of certain residential and demographic information of incarcerated individuals and to require the information to be reported in a certain manner; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities.

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

Senators Cherry, Bellino and Bayer introduced

Senate Bill No. 538, entitled

A bill to designate the eastern wild turkey as the official game bird of the state of Michigan.

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

Senators Bayer, Polehanki, Chang, Klinefelt, Shink and McMorrow introduced

Senate Bill No. 539, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 372, entitled “An act to regulate and license the selling, purchasing, possessing, and carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices; to prohibit the buying, selling, or carrying of certain firearms, gas ejecting devices, and electro-muscular disruption devices without a license or other authorization; to provide for the forfeiture of firearms and electro-muscular disruption devices under certain circumstances; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies; to prohibit certain conduct against individuals who apply for or receive a license to carry a concealed pistol; to make appropriations; to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act,” by amending sections 1 and 2 (MCL 28.421 and 28.422), section 1 as amended by 2023 PA 19 and section 2 as amended by 2023 PA 37, and by adding section 12c.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

House Bill No. 4012, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 20925 (MCL 333.20925), as added by 2018 PA 600.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4549, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 300, entitled “Motor vehicle service and repair act,” by amending sections 2, 13b, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 30, 32, 32a, 33, and 40 (MCL 257.1302, 257.1313b, 257.1314, 257.1315, 257.1316, 257.1317, 257.1318, 257.1330, 257.1332, 257.1332a, 257.1333, and 257.1340), section 2 as amended by 2020 PA 227 and sections 13b and 32a as added and sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 30, 32, and 33 as amended by 2016 PA 430, and by adding section 30a.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title.

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.203 be suspended and that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the order of General Orders.

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

House Bill No. 4598, entitled

A bill to amend 2012 PA 455, entitled “Organized retail crime act,” by amending section 4 (MCL 752.1084).

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

House Bill No. 4599, entitled

A bill to amend 2012 PA 455, entitled “Organized retail crime act,” (MCL 752.1081 to 752.1087) by adding section 3a.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety.

House Bill No. 4602, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 794a (MCL 168.794a), as amended by 2002 PA 91.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

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

House Bill No. 4755, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled “Michigan consumer protection act,” by amending section 3 (MCL 445.903), as amended by 2022 PA 152, and by adding section 3j.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill and ordered that it be given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Resolutions

Senator Singh moved that rule 3.204 be suspended to permit immediate consideration of the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 68

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

Senator Hertel offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 68.

A resolution to observe September 11-17, 2025, as Patriot Week.

Whereas, In great reverence to the victims of the attacks on September 11, 2001, American citizens must first take time to honor the principles, founders, documents, and symbols of our country’s history; and

Whereas, Each year on September 17th, Constitution Day is honored in public schools across the nation; and

Whereas, The events that led the delegates to sign the Constitution of the United States of America on September 17, 1787, have significance for every American; and

Whereas, The revolution, rule of law, social compact, equality, unalienable rights, and limited government are the first principles upon which our country was founded and flourishes; and

Whereas, Exceptional, visionary, and indispensable Americans that have founded and advanced the United States include: James Madison, Thomas Paine, Patrick Henry, John Adams, John Marshall, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, Martin Luther King Jr., Cesar Chavez, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, and Thomas Jefferson; and

Whereas, The Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the congressional resolution forwarding the Constitution to the states, *Marbury v. Madison*, Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions, the Gettysburg Address, the Emancipation Proclamation, *Brown v. Board of Education*, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the “I Have A Dream” speech are key documents that embody America’s first principles and have advanced American Liberty; and

Whereas, The Bennington Flag, Betsy Ross American flag, Suffragist Flag, Fort Sumter Flag, Gadsden Flag, current American flag, and the Michigan state flag are all fundamental, physical symbols of our country’s history and freedom that should be studied and remembered by each citizen; and

Whereas, Citizens, educational institutions, government agencies, municipalities, nonprofit, religious, labor, community and business organizations are urged to recognize, participate, and celebrate Patriot Week so that all may offer the reverence that is due to our free republic; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body observe September 11-17, 2025, as Patriot Week; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize that understanding American history and America’s first principles are indispensable to the survival of our republic as free people; and be it further

Resolved, That we encourage each generation to renew the American spirit based on the country’s first principles, historical figures, founding documents, and symbols.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Senators McMorro and Polehanki were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
General Orders

Senator Singh moved that the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for consideration of the General Orders calendar.

The motion prevailed, and the President pro tempore, Senator Moss, designated Senator Cherry as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President pro tempore, Senator Moss, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

House Bill No. 4207, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 3701 (MCL 500.3701), as amended by 2016 PA 276.

House Bill No. 4208, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 608 (MCL 500.608), as added by 2016 PA 276.

The bills were placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

Senate Bill No. 413, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 18221, 18223, 18233, and 18237 (MCL 333.18221, 333.18223, 333.18233, and 333.18237), section 18221 as amended by 2006 PA 395, section 18223 as amended by 2018 PA 24, section 18233 as amended by 1994 PA 234, and section 18237 as amended by 1998 PA 496.

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

House Bill No. 4103, entitled

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

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

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

House Bill No. 4104, entitled

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

Substitute (S-1).

The Senate agreed to the substitute recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as substituted was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:45 a.m.

11:14 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator Moss.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Hertel introduced

Senate Bill No. 540, entitled

A bill to create a Michigan National Guard child care assistance program to provide child care assistance to certain Michigan National Guard members; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; and to authorize the promulgation of rules.

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

Senator Hertel introduced

Senate Bill No. 541, entitled

A bill to create the Michigan National Guard member benefit fund; and to provide for the administration of and distributions from the fund.

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

Senator Klinefelt introduced

Senate Bill No. 542, entitled

A bill to amend 2014 PA 259, entitled "Michigan national guard tuition assistance act," by amending sections 3 and 4 (MCL 32.433 and 32.434), as amended by 2023 PA 33.

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

Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, September 10:

House Bill Nos. 4349 4750

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, September 10, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos. 534 535 536

Committee Reports

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 413, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 18221, 18223, 18233, and 18237 (MCL 333.18221, 333.18223, 333.18233, and 333.18237), section 18221 as amended by 2006 PA 395, section 18223 as amended by 2018 PA 24, section 18233 as amended by 1994 PA 234, and section 18237 as amended by 1998 PA 496.

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

Kevin Hertel

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to amend 1982 PA 250, entitled “Child abuse and neglect prevention act,” by amending the title and sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, and 12 (MCL 722.602, 722.603, 722.604, 722.609, 722.610, and 722.612), section 2 as amended by 2018 PA 60 and section 4 as amended by 2005 PA 82.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt and Geiss

Nays: Senators Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 419, entitled

A bill to amend 1982 PA 249, entitled “An act to establish the state children’s trust fund in the department of treasury; and to provide certain powers and duties of the department of treasury with respect to the trust fund,” by amending section 1 (MCL 21.171), as amended by 2014 PA 306.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 420, entitled

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

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt and Geiss

Nays: Senators Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

Senate Bill No. 421, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled “Michigan vehicle code,” by amending section 811j (MCL 257.811j), as amended by 2006 PA 562.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

House Bill No. 4103, entitled

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

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

Kevin Hertel
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Health Policy reported

House Bill No. 4104, entitled

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

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

Kevin Hertel

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Health Policy reported

House Bill No. 4207, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 3701 (MCL 500.3701), as amended by 2016 PA 276.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Health Policy reported

House Bill No. 4208, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 608 (MCL 500.608), as added by 2016 PA 276.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Kevin Hertel

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Hertel, Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Health Policy submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 12:30 p.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Hertel (C), Santana, Wojno, Cherry, Klinefelt, Geiss, Webber, Huizenga and Runestad

Excused: Senator Hauck

The Committee on Elections and Ethics reported

Senate Bill No. 529, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” (MCL 168.1 to 168.992) by adding sections 483b, 544g, 590i, and 957a.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Jeremy Moss

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Moss, Wojno, Santana, McMorro and Chang

Nays: Senator Johnson

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Elections and Ethics reported

Senate Bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," (MCL 168.1 to 168.992) by adding section 482g. With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Jeremy Moss

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Moss, Wojno, Santana, McMorro and Chang

Nays: Senator Johnson

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Elections and Ethics reported

Senate Bill No. 531, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 482, 590h, 685, 957, and 958 (MCL 168.482, 168.590h, 168.685, 168.957, and 168.958), section 482 as amended by 2018 PA 608, sections 590h and 685 as amended by 2018 PA 650, and section 957 as amended by 2018 PA 120, and by adding sections 482f and 547.

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

Jeremy Moss

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Moss, Wojno, Santana, McMorro and Chang

Nays: Senator Johnson

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

The Committee on Elections and Ethics reported

Senate Bill No. 533, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," (MCL 168.1 to 168.992) by adding section 931c.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

Jeremy Moss

Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Moss, Wojno, Santana, McMorro and Chang

Nays: Senator Johnson

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Elections and Ethics submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Moss (C), Wojno, Santana, McMorro, Chang, Johnson and McBroom

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Joint Committee on Administrative Rules submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., Room 521, 5th Floor, Anderson House Office Building

Present: Senators Wojno, Bayer, Theis and Runestad

Absent: Senator McMorro

Scheduled Meetings

Senate Fiscal Agency Governing Board – Wednesday, September 17, 1:00 p.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-2768

Senator Singh moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:16 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Moss, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN
Secretary of the Senate