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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Monday, September 29, 2025.

10:00 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Heavenly Father, we pray today for those special intentions of the victims of the senseless violence that occurred yesterday at the Church of Latter-day Saints in Grand Blanc. We pray for Your unending mercy to comfort those whom we have lost, and for those victims and families who are still suffering. Please join me in praying the words to our Lord's Prayer that He 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 President pro tempore, Senator Moss, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

#### Motions and Communications

Senator Lauwers moved that Senator Runestad be temporarily excused from today's session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Lauwers moved that Senators Bellino, Daley, Damoose, Hoitenga, Johnson, McBroom and Outman be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that Senators Anthony, Cherry, Geiss, Santana, Shink and Wojno be temporarily excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

#### Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed, the time being 10:04 a.m.

10:12 a.m.

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

During the recess, Senators Shink and Runestad entered the Senate Chamber.

# Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess until 12:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:13 a.m.

The Senate reconvened at the expiration of the recess and was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator Moss.

During the recess, Senators Cherry, Geiss and Wojno entered the Senate Chamber.

#### Recess

Senator Singh moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed, the time being 12:31 p.m.

1:30 p.m.

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

During the recess, Senator Santana entered the Senate Chamber.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

#### Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Hoitenga and Theis introduced

#### Senate Bill No. 594, entitled

A bill to amend 2013 PA 240, entitled "Michigan state capitol historic site act," by amending section 6 (MCL 4.1946).

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

#### House Bill No. 4042, entitled

A bill to amend 2000 PA 92, entitled "Food law," by amending section 1107 (MCL 289.1107), as amended by 2016 PA 188.

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 Regulatory Affairs.

#### House Bill No. 4107, entitled

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

The 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 Education.

#### House Bill No. 4108, entitled

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

The 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. 4160, entitled

A bill to amend 1969 PA 306, entitled "Administrative procedures act of 1969," by amending sections 32 and 45 (MCL 24.232 and 24.245), as amended by 2023 PA 104.

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 Government Operations.

#### House Bill No. 4522, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 634 (MCL 257.634), as amended by 2021 PA 43.

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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

#### House Bill No. 4596, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 258, entitled "Mental health code," by amending sections 1034 and 1044 (MCL 330.2034 and 330.2044).

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. 4736, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 194, 195, and 198 (MCL 168.194, 168.195, and 168.198), sections 195 and 198 as amended by 2012 PA 276.

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. 4847, entitled

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

The 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. 4951, entitled

A bill to provide for the imposition and collection of taxes; to provide for the establishment of procedures for the collection, administration, and enforcement of taxes; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to create the comprehensive road funding fund; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local government officers and entities; and to prescribe penalties.

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. 4961, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending sections 12, 30, 607, and 805 (MCL 206.12, 206.30, 206.607, and 206.805), sections 12, 607, and 805 as amended by 2024 PA 177 and section 30 as amended by 2023 PA 4.

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. 4968, entitled

A bill to amend 2018 PA 175, entitled "Insurance provider assessment act," by amending sections 11 and 17 (MCL 550.1761 and 550.1767).

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.

## Recess

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

The motion prevailed, the time being 1:35 p.m.

4:08 p.m.

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

During the recess, Senator Anthony entered the Senate Chamber.

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 resolutions:

Senate Resolution No. 73

Senate Resolution No. 74

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

Senators Lauwers and Camilleri offered the following resolution:

#### Senate Resolution No. 73.

A resolution to recognize October 9, 2025, as Auto Heritage Day.

Whereas, The MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership was created in 1998 when both Congress and the National Park Service recognized the significance of the American automobile and the people, stories, and places that shaped its history; and

Whereas, National heritage areas are places where stories of importance to American history rise to a level of national importance; and

Whereas, The MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership, part of the National Heritage Area System of the National Park Service, is Michigan's only national heritage area, located throughout a region of more than 10,000 miles, covering 16 counties with a population of more than six million people; and

Whereas, The MotorCities National Heritage Area is the largest concentration of auto-related sites, attractions, and events in the world, attracting millions of visitors each year; and

Whereas, Annually, the MotorCities National Heritage Area generates \$490 million in economic impact, including \$40 million in tax revenue and over 5,300 jobs; and

Whereas, The economic strength of our state is integrally connected to the vitality of the automobile industry, which employs millions of workers; and

Whereas, For the twelfth consecutive year, MotorCities National Heritage Area, in partnership with the Michigan Legislative Auto Caucus, has organized Auto Heritage Day, where supporters of automotive heritage and preservation come together in celebration of the state's unique automotive history; and

Whereas, The Michigan Legislative Auto Caucus allows members to exchange ideas and influence policy, including automotive heritage policy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize October 9, 2025, as Auto Heritage Day.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Senator Singh moved that further consideration of the resolution be postponed for today.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Anthony offered the following resolution:

#### Senate Resolution No. 74.

A resolution to provide for a procedure for the required disclosures related to enhancement grants.

Whereas, No appropriations bill containing enhancement grants (also referred to as legislatively directed spending items) 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 Senate by resolution; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the following procedure is adopted for the required disclosures related to enhancement grants:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, for a legislatively directed spending item to be considered for inclusion in a bill or conference report passed by the Senate during a calendar year, all of the following must be made publicly available on the internet prior to passage of a bill or conference report that contains a legislatively directed spending item:
  - (a) The sponsoring legislator's name, and if applicable, any co-sponsoring legislators.
- (b) The name and location of the intended recipient and the impacted legislative district or, if there is not a specific intended recipient, the intended location of the project or activity, including legislative district and legislator.
- (c) The purpose of the legislatively directed spending item and an explanation of how the legislatively directed spending item provides a public benefit and why the item is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds or to otherwise demonstrate that the item is not for a local or private purpose pursuant to Article IV, § 30 of the Michigan Constitution.

- (d) The requested amount of state funding for the legislatively directed spending item and whether the legislatively directed spending item has previously received federal, state, local, or private funding. The type of funding previously received must be clearly specified.
- (e) If the recipient of the legislatively directed spending item is a not-for-profit entity, verification of the following information:
  - (i) That the entity has been operating within the state for the previous 36 consecutive months.
  - (ii) That the entity has had a physical office within the state for the previous 12 consecutive months.
- (iii) That the entity has a board of directors and a list of all officers and active directors on the entity's board.
- (iv) That the entity is not a for-profit entity.
- (f) A certification that neither the sponsoring legislator nor the sponsoring legislator's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item.
  - (g) Information on the required project timing of the proposed legislatively directed spending item.
- (2) The sponsoring legislator must provide a written statement containing the information required under subsection (1) on a form and in a manner determined by the Senate. The written statement must be provided to the Chair and Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, the Senate Fiscal Agency, and the Senate Business Office.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a legislator wishing to co-sponsor a legislatively directed spending item may, with the sponsoring legislator's permission, add or remove their name as a co-sponsor through passage of each calendar year. For the 2025 calendar year, legislators wishing to co-sponsor a legislatively directed spending item may, with the sponsoring legislator's permission, add or remove their name as a co-sponsor through passage. Co-sponsorship of a legislatively directed spending item must be completed by submitting the following letters to the Secretary of the Senate:
- (a) A signed letter from the sponsor of the legislatively directed spending item granting the legislator wishing to co-sponsor permission to co-sponsor.
- (b) A letter from the legislator wishing to co-sponsor stating their intention to co-sponsor the legislatively directed spending item.
- (4) The Senate must develop a webpage on the Senate official website where each fully completed written statement received under subsection (1) shall be conspicuously available to the public. After development of the webpage, each fully completed written statement shall be made available within three business days after the later of the creation of the webpage or the original receipt of the fully completed written statement.
  - (5) A for-profit business is not eligible to receive a legislatively directed spending item.
  - (6) As used in this section:
- (a) "Immediate family" means an individual's parent, child, sibling, and spouse, and any individual residing in the same household as that individual.
- (b) "Legislatively directed spending item" means an appropriation that authorizes or obligates a specific amount of money for a contract or other expenditure with a grant, loan, or other economic assistance or incentive to a specific person, organization, unit of local government, or project or activity in a unit of local government, other than through a formula-driven or competitive award process.
- (c) "Staff" means an individual who either is currently or within the past two years has been employed by either house of the Michigan Legislature.
  - (d) "Legislator" means a duly elected individual serving in the Senate.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

#### Statements

Senator Cherry asked and was granted unanimous consent to make a statement and moved that the statement be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Cherry's statement is as follows:

Yesterday, there was a horrific attack in my district in Grand Blanc Township on a place of worship. People should always be safe in their houses of worship, and there is nothing that could ever justify something like what happened yesterday. I'd like to take a moment to extend my condolences and prayers to the victims, their friends, and everybody who was affected—both from myself, and from Representatives Martin and Mueller, my colleagues in the House who represent Grand Blanc.

I'd also like to thank the officers—DNR conservation officers and Grand Blanc Township police officers, who were on the scene very quickly—and all the emergency personnel and first responders who were helping the victims. A note to my colleagues in this chamber: they had a response time from the call center of 30 seconds, and were there and able to subdue the suspect within eight minutes. I want to also note that Police Chief Renye, Fire Chief Jent, and Supervisor Bennett have performed exceptionally under very difficult circumstances over the past day and a half.

I want to extend my appreciation to all the communities in my colleague's district. We had over 20 communities that provided mutual aid to Genesee County in Grand Blanc Township. In fact, last night, Bloomfield fire officers manned our fire stations to really give our folks who were working around the clock time to sleep. Thank you to all those who have been stepping up, particularly members of our community—the community has been tremendously supportive to those who were injured or present, and, of course, the region has been tremendously supportive to our community.

This has affected a lot of folks. I'm tremendously sad about it. The one request that I would have from everybody is: You can't solve hate with more hate; the only way you can solve it is with love. So, as you're going about your business, please make sure you do things to display your love to the people who you meet.

# **Announcements of Printing and Enrollment**

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Wednesday, September 24, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

House Bill Nos. 5032 5033 5034 5035 5036 5037 5038 5039 5040 5041 5042 5043 5044 5045 5046 5047 5048 5049 5050 5051 5052 5053 5054 5055

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Friday, September 26, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos. 583 584 585 586 587 588 589 590 591 592 593 House Bill Nos. 5056 5057 5058 5059 5060 5061 5062 5063 5064 5065 5066 5067 5068 5069 5070 5071 5072 5073 5074 5075 5076 5077 5078 5079 5080 5081 5082 5083 5084 5085 5086 5087 5088

## Scheduled Meetings

**Appropriations** – Tuesday, September 30, 1:00 p.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5307

Senator Singh moved that the Senate adjourn. The motion prevailed, the time being 4:14 p.m.

The Assistant President pro tempore, Senator Geiss, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN Secretary of the Senate