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Senators:

Today, I am returning Enrolled Senate Bill 11 to you without my approval.

My priority is protecting the safety, welfare, and well-being of Michiganders. This bill addresses none of those pressing concerns.

The bill would require county clerks to issue concealed pistol licenses during declared emergencies—without regard to the scope or gravity of the emergency or whether in-person services would jeopardize Michigan clerks. The bill would also require law enforcement agencies to prioritize the issuance of concealed carry permits—even when that would be a poor use of resources during an emergency.

I am therefore returning this bill to the legislature unsigned. I look forward to collaborating on the challenges working families and small businesses are facing right now and working together to put more money in people's pockets and invest our \$7 billion surplus in our communities.

Respectfully,

Gretchen Whitmer

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Governor