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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Wednesday, May 2, 2001.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tempore, Senator John J.H. Schwarz.

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

Bennett—present
Bullard—present
Byrum—present
Cherry—present
DeBeaussiaert—present
DeGrow—present
Dingell—present
Dunaskiss—present
Emerson—present
Emmons—present
Garcia—present
Gast—present
Goschka—present

Gougeon—present
Hammerstrom—present
Hart—present
Hoffman—present
Jaye—present
Johnson—present
Koivisto—present
Leland—present
McCotter—present
McManus—present
Miller—present
Murphy—present
North—present

Peters—present
Schuette—excused
Schwarz—present
Scott—present
Shugars—present
Sikkema—present
Smith—present
Steil—present
Stille—present
Van Regenmorter—present
Vaughn—excused
Young—present

Imam Al-Ansari of Islamic Center of America of Dearborn offered the following invocation:

O Lord, I seek refuge to Thee from all evil of the devil.

O Lord, I begin in Thy name: the loving, the caring, the compassionate, the beneficent, and the merciful. Thanks to You for all the blessings that You have given us. You are the Lord of the universe.

O Lord, praise be upon all of Your prophets, messengers, apostles, and whomever follows them.

O Lord, I begin this eulogy by Your praise. You are the guide to the right path; therefore, make us be on that right path.

O Lord, You are permitting me to invoke You and ask You; therefore, hear my praise. It is You who said, "Call upon me and I will answer you." O You, the Hearer, answer my call. O You, the Loving and Merciful, lessen our faults and mistakes.

O Lord, how many anxieties You have lifted, and we did not know. O Lord, how many disorders we have made, and You have fixed. O Lord, how many blessings out of mercy You have spread in the world, and how many circles of misfortune and disaster You have disjoined and lifted them from us.

O Lord, You said in the Quran [49.13], "O you people, surely we have created you from a male and a female and made you nations and tribes that you may know each other." Then You said, "Surely the most honorable of you with Allah is the one among you most careful of his duty."

O Lord, I open with Thy name today's beginning session of legislators. Please help us. Give us the strength and power to enjoin good deeds and forbid the bad deeds from the society.

O Lord, help us strengthen unity; help us to make peace; help us to do justice among humanity; make our society safe; help us to make a better environment for the poor and needy; and help us to lift all of their sufferings.

O Lord, help us to bring to the forefront peace, tranquility, equality among all races, equality among all religions, and equality among men and women.

O Lord, give the legislators the strength to lift the level of the society, to give them honor, and to bring them triumph.

O Lord, make us better citizens and bless us all. Amen.

Senator Gougeon entered the Senate Chamber.

Motions and Communications

Senator Emmons moved that Senators Bennett, DeGrow, Gast and Stille be temporarily excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Emmons moved that Senator Schuette be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Emerson moved that Senator Murphy be temporarily excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Emerson moved that Senator Vaughn be excused from today's and tomorrow's sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson entered the Senate Chamber.

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Tuesday, May 1:
House Bill Nos. 4029 4247

The Secretary announce the printing and placement in the members' files on Tuesday, May 1, of:
Senate Bill Nos. 433 446

Messages from the Governor

The following messages from the Governor were received and read:

April 25, 2001

There are herewith presented for consideration and confirmation by the Senate, the following appointment and reappointment to office:

Mackinac Island State Park Commission

Mr. Dennis O. Cawthorne, P.O. Box 1189, Lakeshore Boulevard, Mackinac Island, Michigan 49757, county of Mackinac, as a member representing Mackinac Island, succeeding himself, for a term expiring on April 12, 2007.

Ms. Joan L. Porteous, 20434 Crestview Drive, Reed City, Michigan 49677, county of Osceola, as a member representing the general public, succeeding Mr. Mark E. Schluskel of Southfield, whose term has expired, for a term expiring on April 12, 2007.

April 25, 2001

There are herewith presented for consideration and confirmation by the Senate, the following appointments to office:

Michigan Technological University Board of Control

Mr. Michael C. Henricksen, 201 Woodland Avenue, Au Train, Michigan 49806, county of Alger, as a member representing the general public, succeeding Mr. Alton R. Berquist of Menominee, whose term has expired, for a term expiring on December 31, 2006.

Mr. David J. Brule, 605 Washington, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801, county of Dickinson, as a member representing the general public, succeeding Dr. Kenneth E. Rowe of Calumet, whose term has expired, for a term expiring on December 31, 2008.

May 1, 2001

There is herewith presented for consideration and confirmation by the Senate, the following appointment to office:

State Treasurer

Dr. Douglas B. Roberts, 1853 Northgate Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823, county of Ingham, succeeding Mr. Mark A. Murray of Lansing, who has resigned, for a term expiring at the pleasure of the Governor.

Sincerely,
John Engler
Governor

The appointments were referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of

General Orders

Senator Emmons 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 Schwarz, designated Senator Byrum as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and, the President, Lieutenant Governor Posthumus, having assumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and with a substitute therefor, the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to amend 1990 PA 250, entitled "DNA identification profiling system act," by amending sections 2 and 6 (MCL 28.172 and 28.176), section 2 as amended by 1996 PA 508 and section 6 as amended by 2000 PA 30.

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 amendment, the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 390, entitled

A bill to amend 1953 PA 232, entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and codify the laws relating to probationers and probation officers, to pardons, reprieves, commutations, and paroles, to the administration of correctional institutions, correctional farms, and probation recovery camps, to prisoner labor and correctional industries, and to the supervision and inspection of local jails and houses of correction; to provide for the siting of correctional facilities; to create a state department of corrections, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the transfer to and vesting in said department of powers and duties vested by law in certain other state boards, commissions, and officers, and to abolish certain boards, commissions, and offices the powers and duties of which are transferred by this act; to allow for the operation of certain facilities by private entities; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain other state departments and agencies; to provide for the creation of a local lockup advisory board; to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; to make certain appropriations; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," by amending section 33d (MCL 791.233d), as amended by 1996 PA 509.

The following is the amendment recommended by the Committee of the Whole:

1. Amend page 3, line 10, by striking out all of line 10 through the balance of the bill and inserting:

“Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October 1, 2001.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 91st Legislature are enacted into law:

(a) Senate Bill No. 389.

(b) Senate Bill No. 391.

(c) Senate Bill No. 392.

(d) Senate Bill No. 393.

(e) Senate Bill No. 394.”.

The Senate agreed to the amendment recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and the bill as amended 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:

Senate Bill No. 391, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 520m (MCL 750.520m), as amended by 1996 PA 510.

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:

Senate Bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled “Probate code of 1939,” by amending section 18k of chapter XIIA (MCL 712A.18k), as amended by 1998 PA 478.

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:

Senate Bill No. 393, entitled

A bill to amend 1988 PA 73, entitled “The juvenile facilities act,” by amending section 5a (MCL 803.225a), as amended by 1998 PA 521.

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:

Senate Bill No. 394, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 150, entitled “Youth rehabilitation services act,” by amending section 7a (MCL 803.307a), as amended by 1998 PA 517.

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.

During the Committee of the Whole, Senators Bennett, DeGrow, Gast and Stille entered the Senate Chamber.

Resolutions

The question was placed on the adoption of the following resolution consent calendar:

Senate Resolution No. 49

Senate Resolution No. 50

Senate Resolution No. 51

Senate Resolution No. 52

The resolution consent calendar was adopted.

Senator Gougeon offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 49.

A resolution to honor the Bay County pioneer family of James Gillespie Birney.

Whereas, James Gillespie Birney came to Bay County in 1842 with his family, and in eleven years, helped the community physically and economically in terms of government, education, culture, and religion; and

Whereas, James Gillespie Birney was the first anti-slavery presidential candidate in 1840 on the Liberty Party ticket and became the first Michigan resident to run for president, seeking that office again as a Liberty candidate in 1844; and

Whereas, Mr. Birney, as one of the nation's leading abolitionists, helped lay the philosophical groundwork for the founding of the Free-Soil and Republican Parties, which led to the Civil War and the freeing of the slaves; and

Whereas, Four of Birney's sons and a grandson were members of the Union Army in the Civil War, two becoming major generals and heroes of major battles; and

Whereas, James Birney, his wife Elizabeth, brother-in-law Dr. Daniel Fitzhugh, and other family members were important developers of Bay City and Bay County, as they donated land and money to the founding of five churches: First Presbyterian, St. Mary, Trinity Episcopal, St. Stanislaus, and First Congregational; and

Whereas, State Senator James Birney, son of James Gillespie Birney, sponsored the bill in the State Legislature which resulted in the formation of Bay County in 1857. Senator Birney was also lieutenant governor of Michigan in 1861, circuit judge, and later, ambassador to the Netherlands, appointed by President Ulysses S. Grant in 1876; and

Whereas, The communities of Bay City and Bay County owe a debt of gratitude to the Birney family for their many contributions to our rich heritage; and

Whereas, Two descendants of James Gillespie Birney, namely David Bell Birney IV and David Bell Birney V, are visiting our community with members of their families on Memorial Day 2001 and are participating in the rededication of the Historic Pine Ridge Cemetery, founded by Judge Birney in 1858; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby pay tribute and honor to the pioneering family of James Gillespie Birney; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Birney families as evidence of our respect and best wishes.

Senators Goschka, Jaye, McManus, Young and Shugars were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Hoffman offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 50.

A resolution recognizing and congratulating Bharrat Jagdeo as President of the Republic of Guyana.

Whereas, It is a great personal privilege and a pleasure to join with the citizens of the state of Michigan in honoring Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo on his election as President of the Republic of Guyana. We offer tribute to the outstanding contributions he has made to the Republic of Guyana; and

Whereas, The noble and effective public service career of Bharrat Jagdeo has established him as a distinguished leader deserving of respect and worthy of this opportunity of serving Guyana in a second term as President; and

Whereas, Born in Unity Village, the youngest of five children, Bharrat received his initial education from Gibson Primary School and Mahaica Multilateral School, where he proved himself successful in the Caribbean Examination Council and advanced level of the General Certificate of Education examinations. Subsequently, he taught for a short time and was awarded a scholarship to pursue university studies in Moscow, where he read for a master's degree in economics; and

Whereas, After serving as what was then known as the State Planning Secretariat in 1990, Bharrat was named as special advisor to the People's Progressive Party/Civic Minister of Finance in 1992, which provided him an opportunity to work with the President of Guyana, Dr. Cheddi Jagan; and

Whereas, His great devotion and relentless efforts for the residents of Guyana gained him the high esteem of President Jagan and earned him an appointment as Junior Minister of Finance in 1993, a seat on the Central Committee, and then in May 1995, he was named Senior Minister of Finance; and

Whereas, Bharrat went on to serve the National Bank of Industry and Commerce as Director, Guyana Water Authority, International Monetary Fund as Governor, World Bank, Caribbean Development Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, and Caribbean Group of Governors to the Inter-American Development Bank as Chairman; and

Whereas, In recognition of his outstanding achievements, remarkable abilities, and unwavering loyalty to the People's Progressive Party, Bharrat was first elected to the position of Vice President and was sworn in as President of the Republic of Guyana on August 11, 1999, following the resignation of President Janet Jagan; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby offer honor, recognition, and congratulations to Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana. Certainly, he can take great pride in his distinguished list of accomplishments and years of selfless service to the people of Guyana; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to President Bharrat Jagdeo as a reflection of our admiration and esteem. May he know of our most sincere wishes for continued success in leading the nation of Guyana.

Senators Goschka, Jaye, McManus, Young and Shugars were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senators Schwarz, Hammerstrom, Hoffman and Shugars offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 51.

A resolution to commemorate May 2001 as Arthritis Awareness Month in Michigan.

Whereas, In Michigan, more than 1.5 million residents, or 15 percent of the state's population, are affected by arthritis. The Centers for Disease Control are projecting that by the year 2020, about 2.2 million Michigan residents may suffer from arthritis; and

Whereas, There are more than 100 different types of arthritis and related rheumatic conditions, and in Michigan, one in every six residents currently suffers from arthritis. Arthritis is a leading cause of disability for many of our state's citizens, limiting their daily activities and lifestyles; and

Whereas, Arthritis is not just a condition that affects our elderly residents. Approximately 6,000 Michigan children age 17 and under suffer from juvenile arthritis, with many thousands of adults also dealing with the daily pain and limitations brought on by arthritis; and

Whereas, Arthritis also generates significant health care costs. In Michigan, between 1990 and 1996, osteoarthritis was the primary cause of 91,000 hospitalizations, with more than 90 percent of these hospitalizations involving expensive joint replacement surgery; and

Whereas, Many courses of medical treatment now exist for the various types of arthritis. Knowledge about arthritis and available treatment options and resources is very important to those suffering from arthritis; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That May 2001 be proclaimed as Arthritis Awareness Month to draw attention to arthritis and other related rheumatic conditions; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Arthritis Foundation - Michigan Chapter in recognition of their work on arthritis and their efforts to serve as a valuable resource and advocate for the many Michiganders suffering from arthritis.

Senators Goschka, Jaye, McManus and Young were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator DeBeaussaert offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 52.

A resolution honoring the 125th Anniversary of St. Mary Queen of Creation Roman Catholic Church in New Baltimore.

Whereas, The St. Mary's parish was established in 1876 by Detroit's second bishop, Bishop Casper Borgess, with Father Aloysius Lambert as its first resident pastor. Prior to this, the Catholic community was serviced by priests from Anchorville who would celebrate mass in private homes; and

Whereas, In 1895, Father Charles Koenig was appointed pastor to St. Mary. It was his first assignment after his ordination as a priest. Over the next 36 years, the parish grew and matured under Father Koenig's guidance. A school was established, new rectory built, and land purchased for a convent for three Dominican Sisters from Adrian, Michigan. The parish grew to over 655 members before Father Koenig's retirement in 1930; and

Whereas, The greatest challenge to face the parish community came in 1958 when the church was completely destroyed by fire. Masses were held in the parish gym over the next several years, but the parishioners started plans for a new church building right away. On December 19, 1962, Archbishop John F. Dearden dedicated the new church to the patronage of St. Mary Queen of Creation; and

Whereas, This parish community has continued to grow and thrive over the years. Many services are offered for spiritual, educational, and personal growth, including youth and young adult ministries and adult religious education. The parish is also involved with numerous charitable activities, including operating a food pantry, local conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and housing the homeless members of the Macomb County Rotating Emergency Shelter Team; and

Whereas, On May 5, 2001, this community of believers will celebrate the founding of their church. Cardinal Maida will preside over the anniversary liturgy, which will be followed by a reception in the parish center; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate the 125th Anniversary of St. Mary Queen of Creation Roman Catholic Church in New Baltimore. May their celebration serve to inspire anew the faith and inspiration that have built this community; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Father Nicholas Zukowski on behalf of the entire congregation as an expression of our congratulations on this milestone celebration.

Senators Goschka, Jaye, McManus, Young and Shugars were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

Senator Johnson offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 53.

A resolution of tribute offered to honor the memory of Robert J. Huber, former member of the Michigan Senate and the United States House of Representatives.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for his many contributions to our state and nation and his beloved home community of Troy that we offer this expression of our respect for Robert J. Huber. We offer our sincere condolences to his family and hope that they are comforted by the manner in which his sacrifices, including his service to the Michigan Senate and the United States House of Representatives, touched the lives of others; and

Whereas, A graduate of Yale who served our country during World War II in the Army, Robert Huber devoted himself to excellence in public service and in the private sector. A man of high principles and unwavering love for our country, Mr. Huber achieved notable success in industry and was the president of Michigan Chrome and Chemical. He brought the same sense of commitment to elective office at the local, state, and national levels; and

Whereas, For six years, Mr. Huber served as the mayor of Troy, a community in which his family has deep roots. In 1964, he was elected to the first of his two terms in the Michigan Senate, where his deep understanding of local government was put to good use, especially in his role as the chair of the Municipalities Committee and in his leadership in sponsoring the Plat Act. In 1972, he was elected to Congress, where he continued to speak out on issues and fight inefficiencies and waste while advancing conservative ideals. Clearly, his patriotism and dedication will long be remembered; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of our respect for the memory of Robert J. Huber, a member of the Michigan Senate from 1965 to 1970 and the United States House of Representatives from 1973 to 1974; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Huber family as evidence of our condolences.

Pending the order that, under rule 3.204, the resolution be referred to the Committee on Government Operations,

Senator Emmons moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous standing vote of the Senate.

Senator Emmons moved that rule 3.204 be suspended to name the entire membership of the Senate and the Lieutenant Governor as co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson's statement is as follows:

It is actually an honor for me to stand here today and do a lot of reminiscing, as well as saying a fond farewell to a gentleman who served in this body by the name of Robert J. Huber.

Senator Huber, a graduate of Yale, served in World War II in the Army. He was an excellent and successful gentleman in the private sector. For those who knew him, he was a man of high principles and had unwavering love for this country.

Mr. Huber achieved notable success as president of the Michigan Chrome and Chemical Company. After several years with the Chrome company, he decided to seek public office because of his love for his community. In fact, his family was very involved with the city of Troy. He became mayor of the city of Troy.

Later, he was elected to the Michigan Senate in 1964, and recently, as a result of his passing, the local newspaper has done some wonderful editorials on Senator Huber. It has to be noted that Senator Billy Huffman from the other side of the aisle had nothing but laudable and high praise for the gentleman. He truly was a very principled man, and for that, many of us held him in such enormous esteem.

I first had the opportunity of meeting Senator Huber in 1972, which was my very first political campaign for the Republican Party here in the state of Michigan. He was running then for Congress. I was fascinated, as a matter of fact, by the array of people who supported this gentleman—from members of my local ROEA (Royal Oak Education Association) to some of the most strident and conservative individuals you would ever want to meet. He truly had an effect on people, primarily because of his dedication and because he was so highly principled.

I think Senator Billy Huffman said it best, "If you wanted it straight, you went to Bob." I would appreciate it if this body would stand in memory of a gentleman who deserves nothing but our appreciation and high praise.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7.

A concurrent resolution to change the scope of the School of Natural Resources S.T. Dana Building project at the University of Michigan.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 14, p. 154.)

The House of Representatives has adopted the concurrent resolution and named Reps. Hansen, Richardville, DeRossett, Adamini, Lipsey, Rich Brown, Minore, Kolb, Birkholz and Toy as co-sponsors of the concurrent resolution. The concurrent resolution was referred to the Secretary for record.

Senator Murphy entered the Senate Chamber.

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Gougeon and Dunaskiss introduced

Senate Bill No. 447, entitled

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending sections 15 and 16 (MCL 247.665 and 247.666), section 15 as amended by 1999 PA 50, and by adding section 14b.

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

Senators Scott, Peters, DeBeaussaert, Leland, Smith, Byrum, Emerson, Hart, Murphy and Cherry introduced

Senate Bill No. 448, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 154, entitled "Michigan occupational safety and health act," by amending section 35 (MCL 408.1035), as amended by 1991 PA 105.

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

Senator Emerson introduced

Senate Bill No. 449, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 288, entitled "Probate code of 1939," by amending sections 67 and 68 of chapter X (MCL 710.67 and 710.68), as amended by 1994 PA 373.

The bill was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Families, Mental Health and Human Services.

Senators Dunaskiss, Steil, McCotter, Smith and Jaye introduced

Senate Bill No. 450, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act," by amending section 30 (MCL 211.30), as amended by 2000 PA 210.

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

House Bill No. 4029, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 2117 (MCL 500.2117), as amended by 1980 PA 461.

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 Financial Services.

House Bill No. 4247, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 506d.

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 Judiciary.

Scheduled Meetings**Appropriations -****Subcommittees -**

Community Health - Tuesday, May 8, 1:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-1777)

Corrections - Wednesday, May 9, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2413) (CANCELED)

Department of Education - Wednesday, May 16, 9:15 a.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-1635)

Environmental Quality - Tuesday, May 8, 3:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-7350)

Higher Education - Friday, May 4, 10:00 a.m., Concordia College, Student Union-Riverside Rooms A, B, and C, 4090 Geddes Road, Ann Arbor; Friday, May 11, 10:00 a.m., Lake Superior State University, Cisler Center, 650 W. Easterday Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie; and Tuesday, May 15, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-3447)

Financial Services - Tuesday, May 8, 2:00 p.m., Room 100, Farnum Building (373-1758)

Qualifications of Senator Jaye Select Committee (SR 42) - Thursday, May 3, 1:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Michigan National Tower (373-1707)

Senator Emmons moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:30 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Posthumus, declared the Senate adjourned until Thursday, May 3, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate.

