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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, June 3, 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—present
Brinks—present
Bumstead—present
Camilleri—present
Cavanagh—present
Chang—present
Cherry—present
Daley—present
Damoose—present
Geiss—present

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

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

Senator Ruth A. Johnson of the 24th District offered the following invocation:

Heavenly Father, we are told in Psalm 33:12, “Blessed is the nation whose god is the Lord; whose people He has chosen for His inheritance.” God, we are a blessed nation, and even as we stumble, we know that You will graciously lift us up. We are Your servants and Your children. We strive to honor You with our words and our deeds. Your mercy is abundant, and we are thankful for Your presence. Help us, Lord, to love others and to serve others, just as Christ loves us.

Place in our hearts the desires of Your will on earth, that we might glorify You to all those we encounter. Guide our hands to do Your work. Help us to focus our minds on that which is holy in Your name, for You are our God, the Lord. We pray to receive Your blessings on our state, on our nation, and on our families, that we might endure and prosper so that we may continue to serve You.

We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The President pro tempore, Senator Moss, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Motions and Communications

Senator Cherry entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Lauwers moved that Senator McBroom be temporarily excused from today’s session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that Senator Geiss be temporarily excused from today’s session. The motion prevailed.

Senator Singh moved that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure be discharged from further consideration of the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 6d.

Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 115.

House Bill No. 4003, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 1073b.

House Bill No. 4046, entitled

A bill to amend 2001 PA 142, entitled “Michigan memorial highway act,” (MCL 250.1001 to 250.2092) by adding section 11d.

The motion prevailed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, and the bills were placed on the order of General Orders.

Senator Singh moved that the bills be referred to the Committee on Veterans and Emergency Services.

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.

10:14 a.m.

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

During the recess, Senator Geiss entered the Senate Chamber.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded 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 McMorro 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 bill:

Senate Bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled “Michigan consumer protection act,” by amending the title and sections 2, 4, 5, 10, and 15 (MCL 445.902, 445.904, 445.905, 445.910, and 445.915), the title as amended by 2022 PA 153, section 2 as amended by 2018 PA 189, section 4 as amended by 2014 PA 251, and section 5 as amended by 2020 PA 296, and by adding sections 4a, 5a, 8a, and 21a.

The bill was placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
Motions and Communications

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Polehanki’s statement is as follows:

Mr. President, we are saying farewell—but not goodbye forever, I hope—to our longest-serving intern, Hannah Hashem, who’s been with us for three years. She started with us as a high school student at Canton High School. She is now at Wayne State. She’s leaving us to be a legal assistant at a pretty cool law firm. She’s going to go to law school.

Hannah is whip-smart, dedicated, driven, and fierce. We are certainly going to miss her so much. Her family is up there, and we’d like to honor them as well. Thank you for giving us Hannah for three years. I appreciate it.

Third Reading of Bills

Senator McBroom 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 10:20 a.m.

11:12 a.m.

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

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to create a Michigan veterans coalition fund; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 155

Yeas—37

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lauwers	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	Lindsey	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McCann	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Moss

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 208, entitled

A bill to create a Michigan veterans coalition grant program; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental entities.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 156

Yeas—37

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lauwers	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	Lindsey	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McCann	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Moss

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled “Michigan consumer protection act,” by amending section 3k (MCL 445.903k), as added by 2018 PA 211.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, as follows:

Roll Call No. 157

Yeas—37

Albert	Daley	Klinefelt	Polehanki
Anthony	Damoose	Lauwers	Runestad
Bayer	Geiss	Lindsey	Santana
Bellino	Hauck	McBroom	Shink
Brinks	Hertel	McCann	Singh
Bumstead	Hoitenga	McMorrow	Theis
Camilleri	Huizenga	Moss	Victory
Cavanagh	Irwin	Nesbitt	Webber
Chang	Johnson	Outman	Wojno
Cherry			

Nays—0

Excused—0

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Moss

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded 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. 54

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

Senator McMorrow offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 54.

A resolution to commemorate June 2025 as Gun Violence Awareness Month.

Whereas, We honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence, especially those affected by the tragedies at Michigan State University, as well as Oxford High School; and

Whereas, The effects of gun violence in the United States is pervasive and all-encompassing on every community; and

Whereas, Since 1968, more individuals have died from guns in the United States than have died in the battlefields of all the wars in United States' history; and

Whereas, In 2025, over 15,000 Americans have already lost their lives to gun violence, including nearly 100 children under the age of 11; and

Whereas, June 2, 2025, will mark the 28th birthday of Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager who marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade and was tragically shot and killed just three weeks later; and

Whereas, Following Hadiya's death, her friends and classmates organized the "Wear Orange" movement to honor her life and all those whose lives have been impacted by gun violence. Today, orange is nationally recognized as the defining color of the gun violence prevention movement; and

Whereas, By wearing orange and commemorating National Gun Violence Awareness Month, Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives and lost human potential of Americans stolen by gun violence; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body commemorate June 2025 as Gun Violence Awareness Month; and be it further

Resolved, That we encourage all citizens to support their communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human life.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Bayer, Cavanagh, Chang, Cherry, Geiss, Hertel, McCann, Moss, Polehanki, Santana, Shink and Wojno were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator McMorrow's statement is as follows:

As of yesterday morning, a 9-year-old child from Troy remains in critical condition three days after accidentally shooting himself in the head with a firearm that he found out in his home. This was a tragedy that was entirely preventable, yet one that still happens far too often in our state and across our country.

Today, I'm asking for your co-sponsorship and vote on a resolution to recognize June 2025 as Gun Violence Awareness Month in Michigan. This is now the seventh year I've offered this resolution. In my first four years in office, the then-Republican majority refused to even take up such a resolution, and I know that residents across Michigan were at their wits' end with a Legislature that not only took no meaningful action to curb the epidemic of gun violence but refused to even recognize gun violence as an issue. Refusing to recognize an issue doesn't stop it from happening. In 2020, gun violence surpassed motor vehicle crashes to become the leading cause of death for children, and firearm deaths among adolescents jumped nearly 30 percent between 2019 and 2020 alone.

But all is not lost. Awareness is growing, and with the actions we've taken—though it is still early—they are shown to be working. I received a reverse 9-1-1 text one day while I was sitting at home in Royal Oak with my toddler. It was Royal Oak Police warning residents to stay indoors. Nearby, just blocks away from my house, a man had barricaded himself into his home with his wife and two young children. He had stockpiled firearms and ammunition. He was in the midst of a mental health crisis. Using our new red flag law, Royal Oak Police were able to quickly obtain an order from an Oakland County judge to allow them to go in and remove the firearms from the home—deescalating the situation—and bringing the man in. Using Oakland County's CORE program—a co-responder program in which law enforcement partners with mental health professionals—they were able to get this man, a one-time professional football player who had suffered from CTE after years of abuse and head trauma, the help he so desperately needed. It very likely may have saved this family's lives.

Reporting by *Bridge* of the impact of the red flag law noted that it was also utilized with a Battle Creek man who was diagnosed with bipolar disorder and who was off his medication, making threats of murder-suicide to his wife. It was used with a 27-year-old voicing suicidal ideations in the midst of divorce proceedings, his wife concerned that he would actually follow through. It was used with an elementary school student who had access to his parents' guns and was threatening to shoot school classmates.

Last summer, I attended a community conversation on gun safety at Royal Oak United Methodist Church. The event was organized by a Clawson teacher, who somberly opened the event with the revelation that she herself had lost three of her own students to gun violence. One boy who died by suicide, who had access to his parents' unsecured gun. Two: a 15-year-old named Cailin, who was shot and killed by her stepfather. Cailin was trying to protect her mom and died. Three: Alexandria Verner, the Clawson native who was shot and killed in the mass shooting at Michigan State. To put this into context, Clawson is a city with a population of only 11,000 people. It is a little city with a big heart, and far too often, that heart is hurting.

This year, in recognition of Gun Violence Awareness Month, let’s all normalize these hard conversations. Don’t be afraid to ask another parent if they have guns in the home before sending your kid over to play. If they do, don’t be afraid to ask how those guns are secured to ensure they can’t accidentally be found and used by curious young hands. To any of the parents listening, don’t for a second think that this can’t happen to your kid. Kids are curious. Kids are smart. If they see something out in the open, they are going to want to play with it.

Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced that the following bills were printed and filed on Friday, May 30, and are available on the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos.	328	329	330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340
	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348					

Scheduled Meetings

Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety – Thursday, June 5, 12:00 noon, Room 403, 4th Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5312

Energy and Environment – Thursday, June 5, 1:30 p.m., Room 403, 4th Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5323

Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection – Wednesday, June 4, 12:30 p.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-5314

Health Policy – Wednesday, June 4, 12:30 p.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-5323

Senator Singh moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 11:22 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Moss, declared the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

DANIEL OBERLIN
Secretary of the Senate

