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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Thursday, January 21, 2010.

10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor John D. Cherry, Jr.

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

Allen—present
Anderson—present
Barcia—excused
Basham—present
Birkholz—present
Bishop—present
Brater—present
Brown—present
Cassis—present
Cherry—present
Clark-Coleman—present
Clarke—present
Cropsey—present

Garcia—excused
George—present
Gilbert—present
Gleason—present
Hardiman—present
Hunter—present
Jacobs—present
Jansen—present
Jelinek—present
Kahn—present
Kuipers—present
McManus—present
Nofs—present

Olshove—present
Pappageorge—present
Patterson—present
Prusi—present
Richardville—present
Sanborn—present
Scott—present
Stamas—present
Switalski—present
Thomas—present
Van Woerkom—present
Whitmer—present

Senator Mark C. Jansen of the 28th District offered the following invocation:

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for this day, a day that we can represent You not only for the people of this state, but we have the opportunity to shine our light wherever we are. Lord, we pray for mercy, for Your guidance, and for humility for each and every one of us.

We thank You for this gift of Michigan, its people, and the many gifts that lie in this state both natural—in water and land—and its people. We thank You for that, and we ask that You would bless this state. We need Your help. We ask that You would forgive us for anything that we have done to offend You. We pray blessing on this day as we all try to do our very best for You and for this state.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, led the members of the Senate in recital of the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Motions and Communications

Senators Kuipers and McManus entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Thomas moved that Senator Barcia be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Cropsey moved that Senator Garcia be excused from today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Recess

Senator Cropsey moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:07 a.m.

10:22 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by the President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry.

During the recess, Senator Bishop entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Cropsey 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. 568

Senate Bill No. 569

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

Senator Cropsey moved that the rules be suspended and that the following resolution, now on Committee Reports, be placed on the Resolutions calendar for consideration today:

Senate Resolution No. 27

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

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Wednesday, January 20:

House Bill Nos. 5575 5576 5577 5578 5579

The Secretary announced that the following official bills were printed on Wednesday, January 20, and are available at the legislative website:

Senate Bill Nos. 1065 1066 1067 1068 1069 1070 1071 1072 1073 1074 1075 1076

House Bill Nos. 5749 5750 5751 5752 5753 5754 5755

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

Senator Cropsey 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, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, designated Senator Clark-Coleman as Chairperson.

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

Senate Bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 5080 (MCL 600.5080), as added by 2000 PA 420.

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. 569, entitled

A bill to amend 1970 PA 91, entitled "Child custody act of 1970," by amending section 4 (MCL 722.24), as amended by 1998 PA 482.

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.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
Third Reading of Bills

Senator Cropsey moved that the rules be suspended and that the following bills, now on the order of Third Reading of Bills, be placed on their immediate passage at the head of the Third Reading of Bills calendar:

Senate Bill No. 568

Senate Bill No. 569

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

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 5080 (MCL 600.5080), as added by 2000 PA 420.

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. 13

Yeas—36

Allen	Clark-Coleman	Jansen	Prusi
Anderson	Clarke	Jelinek	Richardville
Basham	Cropsey	Kahn	Sanborn
Birkholz	George	Kuipers	Scott
Bishop	Gilbert	McManus	Stamas
Brater	Gleason	Nofs	Switalski
Brown	Hardiman	Olshove	Thomas
Cassis	Hunter	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
Cherry	Jacobs	Patterson	Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—2

Barcia

Garcia

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

The following bill was read a third time:

Senate Bill No. 569, entitled

A bill to amend 1970 PA 91, entitled “Child custody act of 1970,” by amending section 4 (MCL 722.24), as amended by 1998 PA 482.

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. 14

Yeas—36

Allen
Anderson
Basham
Birkholz
Bishop
Brater
Brown
Cassis
Cherry

Clark-Coleman
Clarke
Cropsey
George
Gilbert
Gleason
Hardiman
Hunter
Jacobs

Jansen
Jelinek
Kahn
Kuipers
McManus
Nofs
Olshove
Pappageorge
Patterson

Prusi
Richardville
Sanborn
Scott
Stamas
Switalski
Thomas
Van Woerkom
Whitmer

Nays—0

Excused—2

Barcia

Garcia

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: President

The Senate agreed to the title of the bill.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Resolutions

Senator Cropsy moved that consideration of the following resolutions be postponed for today:

Senate Resolution No. 41

Senate Resolution No. 75

Senate Resolution No. 88

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 24

The motion prevailed.

Senate Resolution No. 27.

A resolution to urge Congress to take certain actions with regard to the federal guardianship assistance program.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Statements

Senators Scott and Hunter asked and were granted unanimous consent to make statements and moved that the statements be printed in the Journal.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Scott's statement is as follows:

The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., said, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." We have been silent too long on insurance reform. We have been silent too long in responding to the e-mails and calls and demands for action on this issue from the people we represent. We have been silent too long on taking action to stop insurance companies from using factors that have no relation to a person's driving record to determine the cost of that policy.

It is time to speak up and tell our constituents that we hear them and that we are ready to take action. Bills have been introduced. Legislators on both sides of the aisle have said that they are ready to talk seriously about this issue. So let's end the silence and make 2010 the year that we act on auto insurance reform. This year, let's give the great citizens of this great state the fair and affordable auto insurance they deserve.

Senator Hunter's statement is as follows:

Colleagues, I rise today to encourage you to support a bipartisan package of bills that will provide a new economic tool that will attract business investments and will create jobs in our state. While this legislation would apply to all communities, it would particularly help a group of nine municipalities in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties who have plans for what is being called "aerotropolis," a project to stimulate economic development close to Detroit Metro Airport.

Aerotropolis is a proposed airport city encompassing approximately 60,000 acres of land in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties. The airport city concept involves the clustering of air commerce-linked businesses adjacent to and surrounding the airports. It is estimated that approximately 64,000 jobs can be created at full build-out of the aerotropolis. It will also account for \$10 billion in economic activity. The estimated tax revenues are initially \$173 million.

These bills, known as the Next Michigan Development Act package, would designate a certain number of Next Michigan Development Corporations that could use a toolbox of incentives to attract new businesses. These businesses would meet the MEGA-eligible business definition. The bills also expand the definition of businesses eligible for MEGA credits to include companies engaged in the movement of products or services via air, roads, rail, or water.

This legislation also requires that a corporation must partner with local government partners, including counties. This provision will foster cooperation rather than conflict among local economic development initiatives. These bills will protect Michigan businesses. An antipoaching provision will prevent companies from being eligible for these incentives by simply relocating in Michigan to an approved Next Michigan development zone. Only new companies that are coming into Michigan or existing Michigan companies that are expanding their operations within the state will be eligible.

What we are doing with this package of bills is looking to the future. We are trying to give our communities the best tools to help create the best economic development initiatives. The MEGA credits for the Wixom project were vitally important to that community. That project will create new, good-paying jobs using the latest technologies. Aerotropolis can do that for Wayne County. This is the first step in a process that could result in the entire I-94 Corridor from Ann Arbor to Detroit becoming a national and international magnet for new businesses.

I would like to thank Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano for his leadership on this project and his staff for all of their hard work. I urge leadership to take up this legislation posthaste and look forward to my colleagues' support so that all of our communities can have more and better tools to stimulate their economies through new economic development projects and initiatives.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senator Patterson introduced

Senate Joint Resolution Q, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 24 of article VI, to eliminate the designation of incumbency on judicial ballots.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.

Senators Kahn, Birkholz, Pappageorge and Nofs introduced

Senate Bill No. 1077, entitled

A bill to provide for, and facilitate the providing of, firefighter training programs to certain individuals through sponsors affiliated with certain other entities; and to prescribe standards for examinations.

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

Senators Garcia, Van Woerkom, Cropsey and Nofs introduced

Senate Bill No. 1078, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 1 of chapter III and section 11a of chapter VI (MCL 763.1 and 766.11a), section 11a of chapter VI as added by 2004 PA 20.

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

Senators Richardville, Basham, Allen, Hunter, Pappageorge, Jansen and Hardiman introduced

Senate Bill No. 1079, entitled

A bill to amend 1995 PA 24, entitled "Michigan economic growth authority act," by amending section 3 (MCL 207.803), as amended by 2008 PA 257.

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

Senators Allen, Basham, Hunter, Pappageorge, Jansen, Clarke and Hardiman introduced

Senate Bill No. 1080, entitled

A bill to amend 1996 PA 376, entitled "Michigan renaissance zone act," by amending sections 3 and 10 (MCL 125.2683 and 125.2690), section 3 as amended by 2008 PA 217 and section 10 as amended by 2008 PA 242, and by adding section 8g.

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

Senators Clarke, Basham, Allen, Hunter, Pappageorge and Jansen introduced

Senate Bill No. 1081, entitled

A bill to amend 1986 PA 281, entitled "The local development financing act," by amending sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 12 (MCL 125.2152, 125.2153, 125.2154, 125.2155, and 125.2162), section 2 as amended by 2007 PA 200, sections 3 and 12 as amended by 2000 PA 248, and section 4 as amended by 2005 PA 15, and by adding sections 12c and 12d.

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

Senators Jansen, Allen, Hunter, Pappageorge, Clarke and Hardiman introduced

Senate Bill No. 1082, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 198, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of plant rehabilitation districts and industrial development districts in local governmental units; to provide for the exemption from certain taxes; to levy and collect a specific tax upon the owners of certain facilities; to impose and provide for the disposition of an administrative

fee; to provide for the disposition of the tax; to provide for the obtaining and transferring of an exemption certificate and to prescribe the contents of those certificates; to prescribe the powers and duties of the state tax commission and certain officers of local governmental units; and to provide penalties,” by amending sections 2 and 22 (MCL 207.552 and 207.572), section 2 as amended by 2008 PA 581 and section 22 as amended by 1994 PA 266.

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

Senators Basham, Allen, Hunter, Jansen, Hardiman and Clark-Coleman introduced
Senate Bill No. 1083, entitled

A bill to encourage the creation of next Michigan development corporations by interlocal agreement and to prescribe their powers and duties; to foster economic opportunities in this state and prevent conditions of unemployment and underemployment and to promote economic growth; to provide for the designation of next Michigan development districts and next Michigan development businesses; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local departments, entities, and officials.

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

Senators Hunter, Allen, Pappageorge, Jansen, Clarke and Hardiman introduced
Senate Bill No. 1084, entitled

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “The general property tax act,” by amending section 9f (MCL 211.9f), as amended by 2008 PA 573.

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

Senators Jansen, Hardiman, Basham, Birkholz, Van Woerkom, Cropsey, Pappageorge and Gilbert introduced
Senate Bill No. 1085, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 8, entitled “An act to provide for intergovernmental transfers of functions and responsibilities,” by amending section 4 (MCL 124.534).

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

Senators Hardiman, Jansen, Birkholz, Van Woerkom, Cropsey and Pappageorge introduced
Senate Bill No. 1086, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, entitled “Urban cooperation act of 1967,” by amending section 5 (MCL 124.505), as amended by 1985 PA 10.

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

House Bill No. 5575, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 462j.

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.

House Bill No. 5576, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled “The code of criminal procedure,” by amending section 16w of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16w), as amended by 2006 PA 156.

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.

House Bill No. 5577, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 159g (MCL 750.159g), as amended by 2009 PA 82.

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.

House Bill No. 5578, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 4701 (MCL 600.4701), as amended by 2009 PA 83.

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.

House Bill No. 5579, entitled

A bill to amend 1985 PA 87, entitled "William Van Regenmorter crime victim's rights act," (MCL 780.751 to 780.834) by adding section 16b.

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.

Committee Reports

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

Senate Resolution No. 27.

A resolution to urge Congress to take certain actions with regard to the federal guardianship assistance program. (For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 24 of 2009, p. 408.)

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

Mark C. Jansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

The resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

Senate Bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 5080 (MCL 600.5080), as added by 2000 PA 420.

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

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Mark C. Jansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

Senate Bill No. 569, entitled

A bill to amend 1970 PA 91, entitled "Child custody act of 1970," by amending section 4 (MCL 722.24), as amended by 1998 PA 482.

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

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Mark C. Jansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs

Nays: None

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

The Committee on Families and Human Services reported

House Bill No. 4971, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 238, entitled "Child protection law," by amending section 7j (MCL 722.627j), as amended by 2008 PA 374.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.
The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Mark C. Jansen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jansen, Hardiman and Jacobs
Nays: None
The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Families and Human Services submitted the following:
Meeting held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010, at 2:30 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Jansen (C), Hardiman and Jacobs

The Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs reported

Senate Bill No. 574, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 312e (MCL 257.312e), as amended by 2006 PA 298.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.
The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Jason E. Allen
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Allen, Pappageorge, Garcia, Olshove and Basham
Nays: None
The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs submitted the following:
Meeting held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., Room 100, Farnum Building
Present: Senators Allen (C), Pappageorge, Garcia, Olshove and Basham

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 19.

A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University relative to the Saginaw Valley State University Health Sciences Facility.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 67 of 2009, p. 1338.)

With the recommendation that the concurrent resolution be adopted.

Ron Jelinek
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jelinek, Pappageorge, Hardiman, Kahn, Cropsey, George, Brown, McManus, Stamas, Switalski, Anderson, Brater, Cherry and Clark-Coleman

Nays: None

The concurrent resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

Senate Bill No. 1061, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 359, entitled "An act to authorize the department of natural resources to convey certain lands lying within the boundaries of the lakeshore zone and parkway location of the Sleeping Bear dunes national lakeshore park to the United States; to provide for cession of certain jurisdiction of this state and to determine the measure thereof

over such lands; to authorize acceptance of relinquished jurisdiction over such lands or portions thereof; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 8 (MCL 3.908), as amended by 1996 PA 30; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Ron Jelinek
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jelinek, Pappageorge, Hardiman, Kahn, Cropsey, George, Brown, McManus, Stamas, Switalski, Anderson, Brater, Cherry, Clark-Coleman and Scott

Nays: None

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Appropriations reported

House Bill No. 5645, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending sections 2150, 2151, 2154, and 51106 (MCL 324.2150, 324.2151, 324.2154, and 324.51106), section 2150 as amended by 1996 PA 585, section 2151 as added by 1995 PA 60, section 2154 as amended by 2004 PA 513, and section 51106 as amended by 2006 PA 382.

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

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Ron Jelinek
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Jelinek, Pappageorge, Hardiman, Kahn, Cropsey, George, Brown, McManus, Stamas, Switalski, Anderson, Brater, Cherry, Clark-Coleman and Scott

Nays: None

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

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Appropriations submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Jelinek (C), Pappageorge, Hardiman, Kahn, Cropsey, George, Jansen, Brown, McManus, Stamas, Switalski, Anderson, Brater, Cherry, Clark-Coleman and Scott

Excused: Senators Garcia and Barcia

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

House Concurrent Resolution No. 28.

A concurrent resolution to memorialize the United States Congress to appropriate \$475 million for a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 1, p. 22.)

With the recommendation that the following substitute (S-1) be adopted and that the concurrent resolution then be adopted:

A concurrent resolution to urge the United States Congress to continue to provide funding in the coming years for cleaning up the Great Lakes and protecting them from invasive species.

Whereas, The Great Lakes contain more than 18 percent of the world’s, and more than 90 percent of North America’s, fresh surface water and provide drinking water to nearly 10 million Michigan residents; and

Whereas, Michigan and its economy are defined by the Great Lakes and depend on its abundance of freshwater for manufacturing, tourism, fishing, public water supplies, agriculture, and numerous other uses. The Great Lakes provide Michigan with 823,000 jobs that represent nearly 25 percent of Michigan’s payroll; and

Whereas, The health of the Great Lakes is jeopardized by threats such as toxic contamination, wetlands degradation, sewage overflows, and invasive species. Inaction or delay in confronting these threats will make the problems worse and the solutions more costly; and

Whereas, Regional and state restoration plans are ready for implementation to address these threats. The Great Lakes Regional Collaboration proposed a multiyear strategy of implementable solutions to restore and protect the Great Lakes

and to overcome the hurdles facing them. The Michigan Great Lakes Plan provides a framework for protecting, restoring, and sustaining Michigan's Great Lakes; and

Whereas, Congress has appropriated \$475 million in federal money to initiate a multiyear effort to protect and restore our Great Lakes, consistent with the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy's recommendations. The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative will fund on-the-ground work to clean up toxic hotspots, restore habitat, and combat invasive species; and

Whereas, More than \$20 billion will be needed over the next 15 years to implement fully the regional strategy. While the \$475 million for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative is a tremendous start, similar funding will be needed for many years to restore the Great Lakes to their full grandeur; and

Whereas, A substantial investment in the Great Lakes system's health will create jobs and improve Michigan's quality of life. In 2008, Michigan Sea Grant determined that a \$25 billion investment in the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy would create \$7 billion to \$13 billion in short-term economic gains for Michigan from increases in tourism, the fishing industry, recreational activity, reduced costs to municipalities, and increased property values in coastal areas; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we urge the United States Congress to make a long-term commitment to the Great Lakes, and continue to provide funding in the coming years for cleaning up the Great Lakes and protecting them from invasive species; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

Patricia L. Birkholz
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Birkholz, Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Gleason

Nays: None

The concurrent resolution and the substitute recommended by the committee were placed on the order of Resolutions.

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs reported

Senate Bill No. 1057, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 74101, 74102, 74102a, 74116, 74117, 74120, and 74122 (MCL 324.74101, 324.74102, 324.74102a, 324.74116, 324.74117, 324.74120, and 324.74122), sections 74101 and 74122 as amended by 2004 PA 587, sections 74102, 74116, and 74120 as added by 1995 PA 58, section 74102a as amended by 2006 PA 307, and section 74117 as amended by 2009 PA 197; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

The committee further recommends that the bill be given immediate effect.

Patricia L. Birkholz
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Birkholz, Patterson, Basham and Gleason

Nays: Senator Van Woerkom

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs submitted the following:

Meeting held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at 1:00 p.m., Room 110, Farnum Building

Present: Senators Birkholz (C), Van Woerkom, Patterson, Basham and Gleason

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Subcommittee on Department of Human Services submitted the following:

Joint meeting held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building

Present: Senators Hardiman (C), Kahn, Jansen and Scott

Excused: Senator Barcia

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Joint Subcommittee on Capital Outlay submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, January 21, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

Present: Senators McManus (C), Jelinek, Brown, Cropsey, Hardiman, Pappageorge, Switalski, Clark-Coleman and Scott

Excused: Senator Cherry

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

Agriculture - Wednesday, February 17, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Economic Development and House Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee - Wednesday, February 17, 10:30 a.m., Room 426, Capitol Building (373-2768)

General Government - Wednesday, January 27, 1:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Higher Education - Friday, February 19, 10:00 a.m., Saginaw Valley State University, Curtiss Hall, 7400 Bay Road, University Center; Monday, February 22, 10:00 a.m., Western Michigan University, Room 2028, Brown Hall, 1903 West Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo; Monday, March 1, 10:00 a.m., Madonna University, Franciscan Center, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia; and Monday, March 8, 10:30 a.m., Ferris State University, Interdisciplinary Resource Center, 1301 South State Street, Big Rapids (373-2768)

K-12, School Aid, Education - Wednesday, February 17, and Thursday, February 18, 9:00 a.m., and Tuesdays, February 23, March 2 and March 9, 2:00 p.m., Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (373-2768)

State Police and Military Affairs - Tuesday, February 16, 1:00 p.m., Rooms 402 and 403, Capitol Building (373-2768)

Families and Human Services - Tuesday, January 26, 2:30 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-0797)

Judiciary - Tuesday, January 26, 1:00 p.m., Room 210, Farnum Building (373-6920)

Senator Cropsey moved that the Senate adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 10:47 a.m.

The President, Lieutenant Governor Cherry, declared the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, January 26, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

CAROL MOREY VIVENTI
Secretary of the Senate