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Senate Chamber, Lansing, Tuesday, June 8, 2021.

10:00 a.m.

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

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

Alexander—present
Ananich—present
Barrett—excused
Bayer—present
Bizon—present
Brinks—present
Bullock—present
Bumstead—present
Chang—present
Daley—present
Geiss—present
Hertel—present

Hollier—present
Horn—present
Irwin—present
Johnson—present
LaSata—present
Lauwers—present
MacDonald—present
McBroom—present
McCann—present
McMorrow—present
Moss—present
Nesbitt—present

Outman—present
Polehanki—present
Runestad—present
Santana—present
Schmidt—present
Shirkey—present
Stamas—present
Theis—present
VanderWall—present
Victory—present
Wojno—present
Zorn—present

Senator Roger Victory of the 30th District offered the following invocation:

Lord, we come to You this morning at the 10 o'clock hour on June 8, 2021, and You have told us in Ecclesiastes 3:

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

Lord, thank You for these words and may they guide us throughout this day. This we ask in Your name. Amen.

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

Motions and Communications

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

Senator Johnson entered the Senate Chamber.

Senator Chang moved that Senators Moss and Ananich be temporarily excused from today’s session. The motion prevailed.

The following communication was received and read:
Office of the Auditor General

June 4, 2021

Enclosed is a copy of the following report:

- Performance audit report on the COVID-19 Expenditures, State of Michigan (000-2000-20D).

Sincerely,
Doug Ringler
Auditor General

The audit report was referred to the Committee on Oversight.

Senator Lauwers moved that the Committee on Insurance and Banking be discharged from further consideration of the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to amend 2008 PA 551, entitled “Uniform securities act (2002),” (MCL 451.2101 to 451.2703) by amending the title, as amended by 2014 PA 355, and by adding article 5A.

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

Senator Lauwers moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed.

Recess

Senator Lauwers moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed, the time being 10:05 a.m.

11:22 a.m.

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

During the recess, Senators Ananich and Moss entered the Senate Chamber.

By unanimous consent the Senate proceeded to the order of
Introduction and Referral of Bills

Senators Bayer, Polehanki, Geiss, Santana and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 513, entitled

A bill to create the office of broadband and digital infrastructure; to prescribe the powers and duties of the office of broadband and digital infrastructure; to allow the provision of grants and other financial and technical assistance related to broadband and digital infrastructure; and to provide the powers and duties of certain state officers and entities.

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

Senators Bayer, Hollier, Bullock, Geiss, Santana and Polehanki introduced
Senate Bill No. 514, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 188, entitled "An act to provide for the making of certain improvements by townships; to provide for paying for the improvements by the issuance of bonds; to provide for the levying of taxes; to provide for assessing the whole or a part of the cost of improvements against property benefited; and to provide for the issuance of bonds in anticipation of the collection of special assessments and for the obligation of the township on the bonds," by amending sections 2 and 3 (MCL 41.722 and 41.723), section 2 as amended by 2002 PA 585 and section 3 as amended by 1995 PA 139.

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

Senators Bayer, Hollier, Bullock, Geiss, Santana, Polehanki and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 515, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Senators Polehanki, Bayer, Hollier, Bullock, Geiss, Santana and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 516, entitled

A bill to amend 1929 PA 152, entitled "An act to provide for the state-owned and operated Michigan public safety communications system; to provide for acquisition, construction, implementation, operation, and maintenance of the property and equipment necessary to operate the system; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials," by amending section 3 (MCL 28.283), as amended by 2014 PA 564.

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

Senators Wojno, Hollier, Bayer, Bullock, Geiss, Santana, Polehanki and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 517, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled "The social welfare act," (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 57aa.

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

Senators Geiss, Bayer, Hollier, Bullock, Santana, Polehanki and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 518, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," (MCL 388.1601 to 388.1896) by adding section 68.

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

Senators Hollier, Bayer, Bullock, Geiss, Santana, Polehanki and McMorrow introduced
Senate Bill No. 519, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

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

Senators Geiss, Bayer, Hollier, Bullock, Santana, Polehanki and McMorrow introduced

Senate Bill No. 520, entitled

A bill to amend 1984 PA 431, entitled “The management and budget act,” (MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594) by adding section 290.

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

Senators Bizon, Outman, VanderWall, Polehanki, Bayer, LaSata, Brinks, Geiss, Hertel, Wojno, MacDonald, Chang and Bullock introduced

Senate Bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending sections 20904, 20908, and 20910 (MCL 333.20904, 333.20908, and 333.20910), section 20904 as amended by 2000 PA 375, section 20908 as amended by 2004 PA 581, and section 20910 as amended by 2006 PA 582, and by adding section 20917b.

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

House Bill No. 4059, entitled

A bill to amend 1939 PA 280, entitled “The social welfare act,” (MCL 400.1 to 400.119b) by adding section 109n.

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 Health Policy and Human Services.

House Bill No. 4249, entitled

A bill to amend 2016 PA 281, entitled “Medical marihuana facilities licensing act,” by amending sections 502 and 504 (MCL 333.27502 and 333.27504), section 502 as amended by 2018 PA 648 and section 504 as amended by 2018 PA 10, and by adding section 407b.

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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4250, entitled

A bill to amend 2018 IL 1, entitled “Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act,” by amending sections 3, 11, and 15 (MCL 333.27953, 333.27961, and 333.27965), section 3 as amended by 2020 PA 208.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill by a 3/4 vote 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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4251, entitled

A bill to prohibit the sale of vapor products that contain vitamin E acetate; 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 and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

House Bill No. 4631, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 7521a (MCL 333.7521a), as added by 2019 PA 7.

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 and Public Safety.

House Bill No. 4632, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 7523a (MCL 333.7523a), as added by 2019 PA 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 Judiciary and Public Safety.

House Bill No. 4637, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 16, entitled "Of the powers and duties of townships, the election and duties of township officers, and the division of townships," (MCL 41.1a to 41.110c) by adding section 2a.

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 Local Government.

House Bill No. 4780, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending section 3c (MCL 445.573c), as amended by 1996 PA 384.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill by a 3/4 vote 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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4781, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," (MCL 445.571 to 445.576) by adding section 4c.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill by a 3/4 vote 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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4782, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 14h of chapter XVII (MCL 777.14h), as amended by 2019 PA 49.

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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4783, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 IL 1, entitled "A petition to initiate legislation to provide for the use of returnable containers for soft drinks, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, other nonalcoholic carbonated drink, and for beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content, and for certain other beverage containers; to provide for the use of unredeemed bottle deposits; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending section 4 (MCL 445.574), as amended by 1998 PA 473.

The House of Representatives has passed the bill by a 3/4 vote 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 Reform.

House Bill No. 4878, entitled

A bill to amend 1915 PA 31, entitled "Youth tobacco act," by amending the title and sections 1, 2, 2b, 2c, and 4 (MCL 722.641, 722.642, 722.642b, 722.642c, and 722.644), the title and sections 1, 2, and 4 as amended by 2019 PA 18 and sections 2b and 2c as added by 2019 PA 17.

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 Reform.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of

Third Reading of Bills

The following bill was read a third time:

House Bill No. 4040, entitled

A bill to amend 1943 PA 148, entitled "Proprietary schools act," by amending section 1a (MCL 395.101a), as amended by 2016 PA 146.

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. 253

Yeas—35

Alexander	Geiss	McBroom	Schmidt
Ananich	Hertel	McCann	Shirkey
Bayer	Hollier	McMorrow	Stamas
Bizon	Horn	Moss	Theis
Brinks	Irwin	Nesbitt	VanderWall
Bullock	Johnson	Outman	Victory
Bumstead	LaSata	Polehanki	Wojno
Chang	Lauwers	Runestad	Zorn
Daley	MacDonald	Santana	

Nays—0

Excused—1

Barrett

Not Voting—0

In The Chair: Nesbitt

Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, the full title of the act shall be inserted to read as follows:

“An act to provide for the regulation and licensing of proprietary schools in the state; to require surety; to provide for collection and disposition of fees; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act,”

The Senate agreed to the full title.

General Orders

Senator Lauwers 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 Nesbitt, designated Senator Irwin as Chairperson.

After some time spent therein, the Committee arose; and the President pro tempore, Senator Nesbitt, having resumed the Chair, the Committee reported back to the Senate, favorably and without amendment, the following bills:

House Bill No. 4050, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 442, entitled “Freedom of information act,” by amending section 13 (MCL 15.243), as amended by 2018 PA 68.

Senate Bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to amend 1897 PA 230, entitled “An act to provide for the formation of corporations for the purpose of owning, maintaining and improving lands and other property kept for the purposes of summer resorts or for ornament, recreation or amusement, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce,” by amending the title and sections 3, 9, 10, and 23 (MCL 455.3, 455.9, 455.10, and 455.23), the title and section 3 as amended by 1982 PA 117.

The bills were 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. 416, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “Public health code,” by amending section 16186 (MCL 333.16186), as amended by 2020 PA 329.

Substitute (S-2).

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 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” (MCL 206.1 to 206.713) by adding sections 279 and 679.

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 proceeded to the order of

Resolutions

Senators Wojno, Bizon, Johnson, Bullock, Alexander, Runestad, Victory, McBroom, Irwin, McMorrow, Bayer, Polehanki, Brinks, Moss, Outman, Stamas, Zorn, McCann, Hertel, Ananich, Geiss, LaSata, Horn, Santana, Chang, Hollier, Lauwers, Schmidt, Barrett, Theis, Daley, MacDonald, Bumstead, Nesbitt and VanderWall offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 62.

A resolution to recognize June 15, 2021, as Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

Whereas, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was first announced by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA), the World Health Organization (WHO), and others at the United Nations (UN), on June 15, 2006; and

Whereas, According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), elder abuse is an intentional act or failure to act that causes or creates a risk of harm to an older adult, often occurring at the hands of a caregiver or a trusted individual; and

Whereas, According to the National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA), elder abuse typically takes one of five forms: neglect, physical, psychological and emotional, sexual, or financial abuse; and

Whereas, Elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation have no boundaries and cross all racial, social, class, gender, and geographic lines; and

Whereas, In 2018, there were 52.4 million adults 65 years of age and older in the United States, and by 2040, that number is expected to climb to 80 million, comprising nearly 21 percent of the total population; and

Whereas, Each year, more than 1 in 10 people over the age of 60 are victims of elder abuse. The vast majority of elder abuse cases in the United States go unidentified and under-reported; and

Whereas, Reports of elder abuse are increasing due to several factors, including more people living longer, a rise in isolation among the senior population, and an increase in the amount of wealth seniors have accumulated throughout their life; and

Whereas, Older adults who have suffered from abuse are more likely to die earlier than older adults that have not; and

Whereas, Public awareness as well as state and community outreach can increase the identification and reporting of elder abuse by the public, professionals, and victims, and can act as a catalyst to promote issue-based education and long-term prevention; and

Whereas, Members of the public and professionals who work with older adults are encouraged to recognize, detect, report, and respond to elder abuse while also promoting awareness and long-term prevention of elder abuse by reaching out to local adult protective services agencies, long-term care ombudsman programs, the sixteen National Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) across the state, and the NCEA; and

Whereas, Individuals and public agencies must work together at the federal, state, and local levels to combat increasing occurrences of abuse, neglect, exploitation, and violence against vulnerable older adults, particularly considering the limited resources for vital protective services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize June 15, 2021, as Elder Abuse Awareness Day; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize judges, lawyers, adult protective services professionals, law enforcement officers, long-term care ombudsmen, social workers, health care providers, professional guardians, advocates for victims, and other professionals and agencies for their efforts to advance awareness and prevention of elder abuse.

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

Senator Lauwers moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The resolution was adopted.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Wojno's statement is as follows:

I do want to thank so many of my colleagues in joining me in co-sponsoring this resolution to establish June 15th, 2021 as Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Estimates show that 1 in 10 persons over the age of 60 are victims of elder abuse each year and the vast majority of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults goes unidentified and underreported. Elder abuse has no boundaries and crosses racial, social, class, gender, and geographic lines. Elder abuse typically takes one of five forms: physical abuse, sexual abuse, financial abuse, neglect, and psychological and emotional abuse. Private individuals and public agencies must continue to work together at the federal, state, and local levels to combat increasing occurrences of abuse, neglect, exploitation, and violence against vulnerable older adults. I want to acknowledge our judges, lawyers, adult protective services professionals, law enforcement, the Long Term Care Ombudsman, social workers, health care providers, guardians, and senior agencies for their efforts and support of this resolution to advance awareness and prevention of elder abuse. Colleagues, I ask all of you for your support.

Senators Brinks, McCann, Santana, Polehanki, Johnson, Geiss, Nesbitt, Wojno, Alexander, Stamas and Hollier offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 63.

A resolution to recognize June 12, 2021, as Women Veterans Recognition Day.

Whereas, Women have proudly served their country throughout all periods of the history of the United States, whether disguised as male soldiers during the American Revolution and Civil War, as nurses in World War I, or as combat helicopter pilots in Afghanistan; and

Whereas, Women have formally been a part of the United States Armed Forces since the inception of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, but have informally served since the inception of our nation's military; and

Whereas, During the American Revolution, women served on the battlefield alongside the men, mainly as nurses, water bearers, often called "Molly Pitchers," cooks, laundresses, and saboteurs. Despite Army regulations that only men could enlist, women who wanted to join in the fighting circumvented the rules by masquerading as young men or boys; and

Whereas, In 1917, the Navy announced it would open enlistment to women. About 12,000 female yeomen entered the Navy and filled a variety of jobs including draftsmen, interpreters, couriers, and translators; and

Whereas, During World War I, 307 women enlisted in the Marine Corps. Like their sisters in the Navy, they were limited to the enlisted ranks and worked mainly in Washington, D.C., doing various administrative jobs. Women's service contributions in World War I showed that they either had, or could quickly learn, nontraditional skills needed by the military; and

Whereas, Following Pearl Harbor, Congress authorized new components for women's services that increased the number of active duty positions in the Army and Navy Nurse Corps. In May 1942, the Army was given the authority to establish the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC). The Navy, Coast Guard, and Marine Corps followed suit, but rather than making women an auxiliary component, they opted to enroll them in the reserves on the same basis as their male counterparts, while the Army Air Forces enlisted nearly 1,100 female civilian volunteers who earned their silver wings as Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP); and

Whereas, At the end of World War II in 1945, of the approximately 12 million people remaining in the Armed Forces, about 280,000 were women; and

Whereas, With the passage of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act of 1948, women became a permanent part of the United States military but continued to be restricted to two percent of the military population. That restriction was finally lifted in 1967 with an amendment to the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, which also opened senior officer ranks to women; and

Whereas, The early 1990s were a historic time in the military with over 40,000 women deploying in support of the Persian Gulf War, making women service members more visible in the eyes of the public. In addition, the Defense Authorization Act of 1992 repealed combat exclusion laws that had prevented women from flying combat aircrafts; and

Whereas, Women who served in the United States military were often referred to as the “invisible veterans” because their service contributions, until the 1970s, went largely unrecognized by politicians, the media, academia, and the general public; and

Whereas, Even though women have been officially serving in the military since the creation of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, they have not always been considered qualified for veteran status for the purpose of receiving benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Even after women were granted veteran status, issues of access, exclusion, and improper management of their health care remained; and

Whereas, It was not until well after World War II that women who served in the military began to officially be recognized as veterans; and

Whereas, In the late 1970s and early 1980s, many of the contributions made by women in World War II were formally recognized through laws granting these women official veteran status for their service. This opened the doors for women to take advantage of programs, opportunities, and benefits from the federal and state governments, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and other veteran service organizations; and

Whereas, Over the past 20 years, the Veteran Health Administration (VHA) has introduced initiatives designed to improve health care access and quality of care for women veterans; and

Whereas, In 2008, VHA’s Women Veterans Health Strategic Health Care Group began a five-year plan to redesign the nation’s health care delivery system for women. A fundamental component of this plan is to ensure that all women veterans have access to comprehensive primary care from skilled women’s health providers; and

Whereas, Originally, the 1980 decennial census marked the first time that information on women veterans was ever captured in a large national survey. At the time of the 1980 decennial census, women made up just over two percent of the veteran population. Today, that proportion has increased to almost eight percent; and

Whereas, There are currently over two million women veterans living in the United States and Puerto Rico. Of this number, nearly 44,000 make Michigan their home; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That members of this legislative body recognize June 12, 2021, as Women Veterans Recognition Day; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge all Michiganders to honor women veterans on this momentous occasion.

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

Senator Lauwers moved that the rule be suspended.

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

The resolution was adopted.

Senators Chang, Bayer, Bullock and Bizon were named co-sponsors of the resolution.

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

The motion prevailed.

Senator Brinks’ statement is as follows:

Today I offer this resolution to recognize June 12, 2021 as Women Veterans Recognition Day in the state of Michigan. Women who have served in the United States military are often referred to as invisible veterans because their service contributions, until the late 1970s, went largely unrecognized by politicians, the media, academia, and the general public. Even though women have been officially serving in the military since the creation of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, they have not always been considered qualified for veteran status for the purpose of receiving benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Even after women were granted veteran status, issues of access, exclusion, and improper management of their health care remained. In the 1970s and early 1980s, many of the contributions made by women in World War II were formally recognized through laws that granted these women with veteran status for their time in service. This opened doors for women to take advantage of programs, opportunities, and benefits from the federal and state governments, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and other veteran service organizations. Women are the fastest-growing subset of the veteran population. They serve in every branch of the military, in multiple military occupational specialties and roles. Please join me in honoring those who have served by paying tribute to these heroes. I welcome and encourage your co-sponsorship.

By unanimous consent the Senate returned to the order of
Messages from the Governor

The following message from the Governor was received:

Date: June 3, 2021
Time: 9:27 a.m.

To the President of the Senate:

Sir—I have this day approved and signed

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 49 (Public Act No. 20), being

An act to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “An act to create a commission for the control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, and to prescribe its powers, duties, and limitations; to provide for powers and duties for certain state departments and agencies; to impose certain taxes for certain purposes; to provide for the control of the alcoholic liquor traffic within this state and to provide for the power to establish state liquor stores; to prohibit the use of certain devices for the dispensing of alcoholic vapor; to provide for the care and treatment of alcoholics; to provide for the incorporation of farmer cooperative wineries and the granting of certain rights and privileges to those cooperatives; to provide for the licensing and taxation of activities regulated under this act and the disposition of the money received under this act; to prescribe liability for retail licensees under certain circumstances and to require security for that liability; to provide procedures, defenses, and remedies regarding violations of this act; to provide for the enforcement and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; to provide for allocation of certain funds for certain purposes; to provide for the confiscation and disposition of property seized under this act; to provide referenda under certain circumstances; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending section 536 (MCL 436.1536), as amended by 2020 PA 126.

(Filed with the Secretary of State on June 3, 2021, at 11:02 a.m.)

Respectfully,
Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

Announcements of Printing and Enrollment

The Secretary announced that the following House bills were received in the Senate and filed on Thursday, June 3:

House Bill Nos. 4059 4249 4250 4251 4631 4632 4637 4780 4781 4782 4783 4878

The Secretary announced the enrollment printing and presentation to the Governor on Monday, June 7, for her approval the following bills:

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 157 at 11:30 a.m.

Enrolled Senate Bill No. 312 at 11:32 a.m.

The Secretary announced that the following bills and resolutions were printed and filed on Thursday, June 3, and are available at the Michigan Legislature website:

Senate Bill Nos. 502 503 504 505 506 507 508 509 510 511 512

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 16

Senate Resolution Nos. 57 58 59 60 61

House Bill Nos. 4959 4960 4961 4962 4963 4964 4965 4966 4967

Committee Reports

The Committee on Economic and Small Business Development reported

House Bill No. 4501, entitled

A bill to amend 1974 PA 154, entitled “Michigan occupational safety and health act,” (MCL 408.1001 to 408.1094) by adding section 38.

With the recommendation that the bill pass.

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

Ken Horn
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Horn, VanderWall, Lauwers, Schmidt, LaSata and MacDonald

Nays: Senators McMorrow, Geiss and Moss

The bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee on Economic and Small Business Development reported

Senate Resolution No. 59.

A resolution to urge the forgiveness of all fines and fees imposed on and the end to all prosecutions brought against businesses for violating COVID-19 orders or rules.

(For text of resolution, see Senate Journal No. 51, p. 883.)

With the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

Ken Horn
Chairperson

To Report Out:

Yeas: Senators Horn, VanderWall, Lauwers, Schmidt, LaSata and MacDonald

Nays: Senators McMorrow, Geiss and Moss

The resolution was placed on the order of Resolutions.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Economic and Small Business Development submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, June 3, 2021, at 12:00 noon, Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Horn (C), VanderWall, Lauwers, Schmidt, LaSata, MacDonald, McMorrow, Geiss and Moss

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety submitted the following:

Meeting held on Thursday, June 3, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building

Present: Senators Victory (C), VanderWall, Barrett, Johnson, Runestad, Chang and Irwin

Scheduled Meetings

Agriculture – Thursday, June 10, 8:15 a.m., Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-1721

Appropriations – Wednesday, June 9, 2:00 p.m., Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5307

Economic and Small Business Development – Thursday, June 10, 12:00 noon, Room 1200, Binsfeld Office Building (517) 373-1721

Finance – Wednesday, June 9, 12:00 noon, Room 403, 4th Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5312

Judiciary and Public Safety – Thursday, June 10, 8:30 a.m., Room 1100, Binsfeld Office Building, and 3:30 p.m., Oakland County Board of Commissioners Auditorium, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Building 12E, Pontiac (517) 373-5312

Natural Resources – Wednesday, June 9, 8:30 a.m., Room 403, 4th Floor, Capitol Building (517) 373-5312

Senator Lauwers moved that the Senate adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the time being 11:47 a.m.

The President pro tempore, Senator Nesbitt, declared the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

MARGARET O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

