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The House was called to order by the Clerk.

The roll was called by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, who announced that a quorum was not present.

The Honorable Richard J. Brown, Clerk of the House, offered the following invocation:

“Lord, please help us learn to be strong but not rude; learn to be kind but not weak; learn to be bold but not a bully; learn to be humble, but not timid; be proud but not arrogant, develop humor without folly. For with these skills that You grant to us, we hope to serve You by doing the right thing and making the right choices for the people of Michigan. We ask this in Your name, Amen.”

Motions and Resolutions

Rep. Womack offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 130.

A resolution to memorialize Congress to enact the Healthy Schools Act of 2009.

Whereas, It is of vital necessity for all possible resources to be made available to address the growing and compelling health needs of our children. School-Based Health Centers (SBHC) can be invaluable avenue to provide children access to health care. For this reason, we support S. 1034, the Healthy Schools Act of 2009. This legislation would provide funding for the support of school-based health clinics. With nearly 8.7 million children without health insurance, SBHCs are providers of access to critical health care services; and

Whereas, The Healthy Schools program authorizes SBHCs to be reimbursed for providing a variety of services to children including sick visits, immunizations, mental-health services, and sports physicals. These centers are instrumental in addressing the growing need among children and adolescents for access to affordable health care. Poor health status is a critical indicator of a child’s preparation to successfully function in a learning environment; and

Whereas, Michigan has 94 SBHCs located throughout the state that would benefit directly from funding provided by the Healthy Schools Act. We encourage the passage of this legislation which will greatly support the health and educational needs of the children of Michigan and across the country; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the United States Congress to enact S. 1034, the Healthy Schools Act of 2009, to provide funding for the development and operation of school-based health clinics; 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.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Education.

Rep. Rick Jones offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 131.

A resolution to call upon the Auditor General to identify and analyze all profits generated by the Michigan State Police Headquarters project and to report the findings to the House of Representatives.

Whereas, Transparency in government is vital to public trust, especially in the decisions that are made with regard to the spending of tax dollars. The need for full accountability becomes even more obvious at times when financial pressures result in cuts to critical services. As is the case in Michigan right now, every single decision made in Lansing is magnified when viewed through the lens of massive budgetary shortfalls; and

Whereas, The ongoing construction of the Michigan State Police Headquarters project in downtown Lansing has raised a significant public outcry, especially when the full ramifications of the recent layoff of 100 newly trained state troopers are considered; and

Whereas, The many inexplicable aspects of the Michigan State Police Headquarters project, including its origins, the premature abandonment of its current facilities, the unusual locale of the new building in light of security concerns, and longstanding opposition to the new building from some within the department make it essential that a thorough examination of finances be conducted as soon as possible. The public has every right to full disclosure; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we call upon the Auditor General to identify and analyze all profits generated by the Michigan State Police Headquarters project and to report the findings to the House of Representatives by August 18, 2009; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the office of the Auditor General.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Wednesday, August 5:

House Bill Nos. 5217 5218 5219 5220 5221 5222 5223 5224 5225 5226 5227 5228 5229 5230 5231

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members on Thursday, August 6:

Senate Bill Nos. 713 714 715 716 717 718 719 720 721 722 723 724 725 726 727 728 729 730 731

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Pavlov, Opsommer, Rick Jones, Knollenberg, Lund, DeShazor, Lori, Kurtz, Calley, Agema, Proos, Daley, Stamas, Hansen, Moss, McMillin, Haveman, Meltzer, Mayes, Moore, Neumann, Espinoza, Spade, McDowell, Bennett, LeBlanc, Hammel, Terry Brown, Paul Scott, Hildenbrand, Rogers, Genetski, Amash, Haines, Walsh, Booher, Clemente, Tyler, Sheltroun, Schuitmaker, Pearce, Kowall, Wayne Schmidt, Crawford and Marleau introduced

House Bill No. 5232, entitled

A bill to create the Michigan firearms freedom act; to make certain findings regarding intrastate commerce; to prohibit federal regulation of firearms, firearms accessories, and ammunition involved purely in intrastate commerce in this state; to provide for certain exceptions to federal regulation; and to establish certain manufacturing requirements.

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

Rep. Meadows introduced

House Bill No. 5233, entitled

A bill to amend 1943 PA 240, entitled "State employees' retirement act," by amending section 68c (MCL 38.68c), as added by 2007 PA 95.

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

Rep. Byrum introduced

House Bill No. 5234, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," (MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3829a.

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

Rep. Byrum introduced

House Bill No. 5235, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending sections 3801, 3803, 3807, 3809, 3811, 3815, 3819, 3831, and 3839 (MCL 500.3801, 500.3803, 500.3807, 500.3809, 500.3811, 500.3815, 500.3819, 500.3831, and 500.3839), sections 3801, 3807, 3809, 3811, 3815, 3819, 3831, and 3839 as amended by 2006 PA 462 and section 3803 as added by 1992 PA 84, and by adding sections 3807a, 3809a, 3811a, and 3819a.

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

Rep. Pavlov introduced

House Bill No. 5236, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 3, 401, 401a, 402, 416a, 418a, 420, 421, 422, 424, 431a, 432, 433, 434, 441, 442, 443, 445, 461, 462, 475, and 485 (MCL 380.3, 380.401, 380.401a, 380.402, 380.416a, 380.418a, 380.420, 380.421, 380.422, 380.424, 380.431a, 380.432, 380.433, 380.434, 380.441, 380.442, 380.443, 380.445, 380.461, 380.462, 380.475, and 380.485), section 3 as amended by 2007 PA 45, section 401a as added by 1995 PA 289, section 402 as amended by 2000 PA 230, sections 416a, 420, and 421 as added and sections 418a, 422, 424, 431a, 432, 433, 434, 441, 442, 443, 445, 461, 462, and 485 as amended by 2004 PA 303, and section 475 as added by 2006 PA 347; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

Rep. Pavlov introduced

House Bill No. 5237, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 6 (MCL 388.1606), as amended by 2009 PA 73.

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

Rep. Pavlov introduced

House Bill No. 5238, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending sections 3, 5, and 1701a (MCL 380.3, 380.5, and 380.1701a), section 3 as amended by 2007 PA 45, section 5 as amended by 2005 PA 61, and section 1701a as amended by 2008 PA 1, and by adding part 6d.

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

Rep. Opsommer introduced

House Bill No. 5239, entitled

A bill to amend 1941 PA 258, entitled "An act to simplify the accounting procedures of the state; to provide for the state funds through which all state accounting or bookkeeping transactions are to be recorded; to provide for the discontinuance or merging of certain state funds; to adjust the accounting of payments into the highway bond sinking fund on a fiscal year basis; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," by amending the title and section 10 (MCL 21.110).

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

The Clerk declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, August 19, at 1:30 p.m.

RICHARD J. BROWN
Clerk of the House of Representatives