

House Watch

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MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

[HB 4083](#)

(Miller)

HB 4083 would prohibit granting “21st Century Jobs Fund” business subsidies unless the recipient promises not to hire illegal aliens and to take other steps to hire only Michigan residents (or contract with firms that promise the same), with some exceptions to the Michigan resident provision.

- Miller H-2 was adopted.
- Hansen 2-A was not adopted. [RC 306: 42 yes, 68 no]
- The House concurred in the Senate substitute S-1, as substituted [RC 307: 76 yes, 34 no]

[HB 4089](#)

(Nerat)

HB 4089 would prohibit granting Michigan Economic Growth Act business tax breaks unless the recipient promises not to hire illegal aliens, to comply in good faith with the legal status verification requirements of federal law, and only to hire Michigan residents or contract with firms that promise the same, unless the project cannot be completed with just Michigan residents. Violators could have their tax breaks revoked and required to pay all or part of their credits. The MEGA annual report to the Legislature and the Michigan Strategic Fund board would have to include the number of residents employed by MEGA beneficiaries and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- Nerat H-1 was adopted.
- Hansen 2-A was not adopted.
- McMillin 2-B was not adopted.
- The House concurred in the Senate Substitute S-1, as substituted [RC 308: 77 yes, 31 no]

[HB 4092](#)

(Constan)

HB 4092 would prohibit a local government from issuing bonds to construct, improve, or finance improvements to industrial buildings unless the beneficiary promises not to knowingly hire illegal aliens, and to make a good faith effort to only hire Michigan residents and use Michigan suppliers and vendors, and complies with the state “prevailing wage” law, which prohibits awarding contracts to contractors who submit the lowest bid unless the contractor pays so-called “prevailing wages” based on union pay scales in a particular part of a geographic region, rather than market rates. Violators could have their tax breaks revoked and be required to repay all or part of those already used. Local governments would have to report annually to the Michigan Strategic Fund board on the number of residents employed by the beneficiaries of these bonds and tax breaks, and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- Constan H-3 was adopted
- Hansen 2-A was not adopted
- The House concurred in the Senate substitute S-1, as substituted [RC 309: 74 yes, 34 no]

[HB 4093](#)

(Bettie Scott)

HB 4093 would prohibit a local government from granting Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development District property tax breaks unless the recipient promises not to knowingly hire illegal aliens, and to make a good faith effort to only hire Michigan residents and use Michigan suppliers and vendors on the project unless that means the project cannot be completed. Violators could have their tax breaks revoked and be required to repay all or part of those already used. Local governments would have to report annually to the Michigan Strategic Fund board on the number of residents employed by beneficiaries of these tax breaks, and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- Scott Amendment 2 was adopted.
- Hansen 2-A was not adopted
- The House concurred with the Senate substitute S-1, as substituted [RC 310: 76 yes, 32 no]

[HB 4094](#)

(Roberts)

HB 4094 would prohibit the granting of Transportation Economic Development Fund subsidies unless the beneficiary promises not to hire illegal aliens, to comply in good faith with the legal status verification requirements of federal law, and to make a good faith effort to only hire Michigan residents and use Michigan suppliers and vendors on the project unless that means the project cannot be completed. Violators could have their subsidies revoked and be required to repay all or part of them. An annual Transportation Economic Development Fund report to the legislature and the governor would have to give the number of residents employed by beneficiaries of these subsidies, and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- Roberts H-3 was adopted.
- Hansen 2-A was not adopted.
- The House concurred in the Senate substitute S-1, as substituted [RC 311: 72 yes, 36 no]

FINAL PASSAGE

HB 4310 (Cushingberry)

Supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

- Committee substitute H-1 not adopted
- Gonzales substitute H-3 adopted
- Angerer 2A adopted
- HB 4310 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4310 was passed [RC 323: 66 yes, 41 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 151 (Patterson)

SB 151 would impose licensure and state regulation on physical therapist assistants, including new training and experience standards; to increase the annual licensing fees on physical therapists (and assistants) from \$50 to \$90; and to make other revisions in the regulatory regime governing this profession.

- SB 151 advanced to third reading.
- SB 151 was passed [RC 317: 107 yes, 1 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 290 (Jacobs)

SB 290 would require citizenship and Michigan resident preferences in economic development subsidies and tax breaks to prohibit granting brownfield business subsidies unless the recipient promises not to hire illegal aliens and to take other steps to hire only Michigan residents (or contract with firms that promise the same), with some exceptions to the Michigan resident provision.

- Substitute H-1 was adopted.
- Walsh 1-A was not adopted.
- SB 290 advanced to third reading.
- SB 290 was passed [RC 312: 71 yes, 36 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 293

(Olshove)

SB 293 would give preference in awarding renaissance zone tax breaks to recipients who promise not to hire illegal aliens, to comply in good faith with the legal status verification requirements of federal law, and only to hire Michigan residents or contract with firms that promise the same unless the facility cannot be operated with just Michigan residents. Violators could be required to repay some or all of the some or all of the exemptions, deductions, or credits received. An annual renaissance zone report to the Michigan Strategic Fund would have to state the number of residents employed by the zones and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- **Substitute H-1 was adopted**
- **Walsh 1-A was not adopted**
- **SB 293 advanced to third reading**
- **SB 293 was passed [RC 313: 74 yes, 53 no]**
- **IE was ordered.**

SB 295

(Switalski)

SB 295 prohibit a local government from granting Obsolete Property Rehabilitation property tax breaks unless the recipient promises in writing not to knowingly hire illegal aliens, and to only hire Michigan residents or contract with firms that promise the same, unless the project cannot be completed only with just Michigan residents. Violators could have their tax breaks revoked and required to pay all or part of their tax breaks. Local governments would have to report annually to the Michigan Strategic Fund board on the number of residents employed by beneficiaries of these tax breaks, and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- **Substitute H-1 was adopted**
- **Walsh 1-A was not adopted**
- **SB 295 advanced to third reading**
- **SB 295 was passed [RC 314: 75 yes, 43 no]**
- **IE was ordered**

SB 296

(Clarke)

SB 296 would require the Michigan Historical Center to give preference to an applicant for historic preservation tax credits to applicants who promise not to hire illegal aliens, to comply in good faith with the legal status verification requirements of federal law, and only to hire Michigan residents to assist in the rehabilitation of a historic resource, unless the project cannot be completed with just Michigan residents. Violators could have their tax breaks revoked and required to pay all or part of their credits. The Michigan Historical Center's annual report to the Legislature would have to include the number of residents employed and the specific reasons for each exemption granted from the proposed state-resident-job requirements.

- Substitute H-1 was adopted
- Walsh 1-A was not adopted
- SB 296 was advanced to third reading
- SB 296 was passed [RC 315: 75 yes, 34 no]
- IE was ordered

HB 4349

(LeBlanc)

HB 4349 would make it a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison and a \$1,000 fine not reporting the discovery of a dead body, if the discoverer has no reason to believe that it has already been reported.

- Substitute H-2 was adopted
- HB 4349 advanced to third reading
- HB 4349 was passed [RC 316: 108 yes, 0 no]
- IE was ordered

HB 4998

(Jackson)

Cobo Hall: HB 4998 (as introduced) would convert the deal to transfer Cobo Hall to a regional authority proposed by Senate Bill 585 into a 30 year lease, and consider the \$20 million the authority would pay to Detroit under that deal to be the lease payment. Also, to require the authority to make a “good faith effort” to hire city residents for Cobo jobs.

- Committee substitute H-1 adopted
- Jackson-1A adopted
- Jackson-1B adopted
- HB 4998 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4998 was passed [RC 319: 66 yes, 43 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 587

(Allen)

Cobo Hall: The bills make changes necessary to create an authority and align financing to implement the new agreement to expand Cobo Hall.

- Committee substitute H-1 adopted
- Miller 1A not adopted [RC 320: 23 yes, 85 no]
- Melton 1B not adopted
- SB 587 advanced to 3rd Reading
- SB 587 was passed [RC 321: 66 yes, 42 no]
- IE was ordered

HB 4450**(DeShazor)**

HB 4450 would require drivers to place children under age four in child restraint safety seats which are in the rear seat, if a vehicle has a rear seat. The bill also removes from current law a provision that exempts nursing children from being secured in child restraint systems.

- Substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 4450 advanced to third reading
- HB 4450 was passed [RC 318: 101 yes, 7 no]
- IE was ordered

HB 4446**(Lahti)**

Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Quality appropriations for fiscal year 2009-2010

- Discharged from committee
- Lahti substitute H-1 adopted
- Roberts 1A adopted
- Stamas 1B adopted
- Rogers 1C not adopted
- Amendment 1D adopted
- Rogers 1C reconsidered and adopted
- HB 4446 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4446 was passed [RC 322: 78 yes, 30 no]
- IE was ordered