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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021
The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Brian Hanson, Capitol Ministries in Columbus, Ohio, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The journal of the last legislative day was read and approved.

The following guests were recognized by the Senate prior to the commencement of business:

Senator Craig requested a moment of silence in memory of John B. Williams.

Senator Craig requested a moment of silence in memory of Vernon Jordan

Senator Craig recognized March as Women's History Month.

Senator McCollery recognized Tony Schroeder and Tom Liebrecht on their visit to the Statehouse.

Senator Hackett recognized former State Senator Chris Widener and Jock Thomas, President of Central State on their visit to the Statehouse.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

March 3, 2021

Senate President Huffman
Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, Ohio

Dear President Huffman,

My petitions to run for the elected office of mayor of the city of Cincinnati were accepted as sufficient by the Hamilton County Board of Elections. Therefore, according to our caucus rules, I am submitting my resignation as Assistant Minority Leader of the Ohio Senate Minority Caucus.

It has been my utmost pleasure to serve on behalf of our caucus.

Sincerely,
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

March 3, 2021

The Honorable Cecil Thomas
Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square, Room 228
Columbus, OH 43215

Senator Thomas,

I hereby accept your resignation as Assistant Minority Leader of the Ohio Senate. I know that you will continue to serve the people of the 9th District faithfully during the remainder of your time in this chamber.

Sincerely,

/s/ MATT HUFFMAN
Matt Huffman
Senate President
State Senator, 12th District

The President announced that the floor was open to accept nominations for the position of Assistant Minority Leader.

Senator Yuko nominated Senator Nickie Antonio of the Twenty-Third District for the office of Assistant Minority Leader.

Senator Fedor seconded the nomination.

On the motion of Senator Williams, the nominations were closed.

The question being, "Shall Senator Nickie Antonio be elected Assistant Minority Leader?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 31, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

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Senator Nickie Antonio having received a majority of the votes cast was declared the elected Assistant Minority Leader.

The President announced that the floor was open to accept nominations for the position of Minority Whip.

Senator Williams nominated Senator Tina Maharath of the Third District for the office of Minority Whip.

Senator Antonio seconded the nomination.

On the motion of Senator Fedor, the nominations were closed.

The question being, "Shall Senator Tina Maharath be elected Minority Whip?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 31, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antani, Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Craig, Dolan, Fedor, Gavarone, Hackett, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, S., Johnson, Kunze, Lang, Manning, McCollley, O'Brien, Peterson, Reineke, Roegner, Romanchuk, Rulli, Schaffer, Schuring, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, Wilson, Yuko, Huffman, M.-31

Senator Tina Maharath having received a majority of the votes cast was declared the elected Minority Whip.

The President announced that the floor was open to accept nominations for the position of Assistant Minority Whip.

Senator Thomas nominated Senator Hearcel Craig of the Fifteenth District for the office of Assistant Minority Whip.

Senator Williams seconded the nomination.
On the motion of Senator Antonio, the nominations were closed.

The question being, "Shall Senator Hearcel Craig be elected Assistant Minority Whip?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 31, nays 0, as follows:
Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

- Antani
- Antonio
- Blessing
- Brenner
- Dolan
- Fedor
- Gavarone
- Hackett
- Hoagland
- Hottinger
- Huffman, S.
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- Schaffer
- Schuring
- Sykes
- Thomas
- Williams
- Wilson
- Yuko
- Huffman, M.-31

Senator Hearcel Craig having received a majority of the votes cast was declared the elected Assistant Minority Whip.

The duly elected officers of the Democrat party appeared at the bar of the Senate and were administered the oath of office by the Honorable Matt Huffman, Senate President.

**REPORTS OF REFERENCE AND BILLS FOR SECOND CONSIDERATION**

Senator Huffman, M. reports for the standing committee on Rules and Reference, recommending that the following bills, standing in order for second consideration, be referred to committee as recommended:

**Am. H. B. No. 5 -Representative Manning, et al.**
To amend sections 4758.20, 4758.42, and 4758.61 of the Revised Code to modify the requirements that may be met for licensure as a chemical dependency counselor II and to modify the professionals who may supervise certain individuals providing prevention services, and to amend the version of section 4758.20 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect October 9, 2021, to continue the change on and after that date.

To the Committee on Health.

**H. B. No. 9 -Representative Koehler, et al.**
To enact section 2925.62 of the Revised Code to prohibit sales of dextromethorphan without a prescription to persons under age 18.
To the Committee on Health.

**Am. H. B. No. 93 -Representatives Abrams, LaRe, et al.**
To amend sections 111.42, 111.43, 111.45, 111.46, 111.48, 111.99, 149.43, 315.25, 317.13, 317.32, 319.28, 2303.12, and 5301.255 and to enact sections 111.431, 111.432, and 321.25 of the Revised Code to make changes to the Address Confidentiality Program administered by the Secretary of State and to make changes to county recorder fees.

To the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

**S. B. No. 89 -Senator Dolan**
To amend sections 4928.64 and 5727.75 of the Revised Code to extend the renewable portfolio standard, increase solar energy benchmarks, and extend the property tax exemption for qualified energy projects that use renewable energy resources.

To the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

**S. B. No. 90 -Senators Kunze, Antonio**
To amend sections 2919.25, 2929.13, and 2929.14 of the Revised Code to expand the offense of domestic violence to also prohibit a person from knowingly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of a family or household member by applying pressure to the family or household member's throat or neck or blocking the family or household member's nose or mouth.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

**S. B. No. 91 -Senator Antani**
To enact section 5534.923 of the Revised Code to name a portion of State Route 725 in Montgomery County as the "SGT Gary Lee McKiddy Memorial Highway."

To the Committee on Transportation.

**S. B. No. 92 -Senator Antani**
To enact section 5534.59 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 725 in the municipal corporation of Miamisburg as "Mayor Dick Church, Jr. Way."

To the Committee on Transportation.
S. B. No. 93 -Senator Antani
To amend sections 305.31, 5739.021, 5739.022, and 5739.026 of the Revised Code to require voter approval of any increase in the rate of a county sales tax.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. No. 94 -Senator Wilson
To amend section 1349.55 and to enact sections 1349.551, 1349.552, 1349.553, 1349.554, and 1349.555 of the Revised Code to amend the law regarding the non-recourse civil litigation advance business.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. B. No. 95 -Senator Maharath, et al.
To enact sections 4903.191, 4934.01, 4934.02, 4934.03, 4934.031, 4934.04, 4934.05, 4934.07, 4934.10, 4934.11, 4934.30, 4934.31, 4934.32, and 4934.35 of the Revised Code to require refunds to utility customers who have been improperly charged and to regulate certain resellers of utility service.

To the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

S. B. No. 96 -Senator Williams, et al.
To prevent the disruption of utility service during the state of emergency declared regarding COVID-19 and to declare an emergency.

To the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

S. B. No. 97 -Senator Roegner
To repeal Section 29 of H.B. 197 of the 133rd General Assembly to modify municipal income tax employer withholding rules for COVID-19-related work-from-home employees

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. No. 98 -Senator Antani
To amend section 5739.02 of the Revised Code to exempt from sales and use tax things used primarily to move completed manufactured products or general merchandise.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.
S. B. No. 99 -Senator Rulli
To amend sections 4723.28, 4730.25, and 4731.22 and to enact sections 3701.25 and 3701.251 of the Revised Code to establish a Parkinson’s disease registry.

To the Committee on Health.

S. B. No. 100 -Senator Manning
To amend sections 5122.04 and 5164.15 of the Revised Code to authorize crisis assessments of certain minors without parental consent and to make an appropriation to support the employment of licensed independent social workers at educational service centers.

To the Committee on Health.

S. B. No. 101 -Senator Rulli
To amend section 4517.12 of the Revised Code to permit a manufacturer of all-electric motor vehicles to operate one or more dealerships in this state.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 102 -Senator Roegner
To amend sections 4301.24 and 4301.62 and to enact section 4301.201 of the Revised Code to exempt homebrewers of beer or home fermenters of wine from specified liquor control laws.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

S. B. No. 103 -Senators Antonio, Huffman, S., et al.
To amend sections 9.07, 120.03, 120.041, 120.06, 120.14, 120.16, 120.18, 120.24, 120.26, 120.28, 120.33, 120.34, 149.43, 149.436, 1901.183, 2152.13, 2152.67, 2301.20, 2307.60, 2317.02, 2701.07, 2743.51, 2901.02, 2909.24, 2929.02, 2929.13, 2929.14, 2929.61, 2930.19, 2937.222, 2941.021, 2941.14, 2941.148, 2941.401, 2941.43, 2941.51, 2945.06, 2945.10, 2945.13, 2945.21, 2945.25, 2945.33, 2945.38, 2949.02, 2949.03, 2953.02, 2953.07, 2953.08, 2953.09, 2953.10, 2953.21, 2953.23, 2953.71, 2953.72, 2953.73, 2953.81, 2967.05, 2967.12, 2967.13, 2967.193, 2971.03, 2971.07, 5120.113, 5120.53, 5120.61, 5139.04, and 5919.16 and to repeal sections 109.97, 120.35, 2725.19, 2929.021, 2929.022, 2929.023, 2929.024, 2929.03, 2929.04, 2929.05, 2929.06, 2945.20, 2947.08, 2949.21, 2949.22, 2949.221, 2949.222, 2949.24, 2949.25, 2949.26, 2949.27, 2949.28, 2949.29, 2949.31, and 2967.08 of the Revised Code to abolish the death penalty and to modify the number of
jurors that may be challenged in cases where a defendant may be sentenced to life imprisonment.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

**S. B. No. 104 -Senator Maharath, et al.**
To enact section 5.246 of the Revised Code to designate the first week of May as "Maternal Mental Health Awareness Week."

To the Committee on Health.

**S. B. No. 105 -Senators Sykes, Schuring, et al.**
To amend section 123.151 of the Revised Code to require political subdivisions to recognize state certifications of minority business enterprises.

To the Committee on Small Business and Economic Opportunity.

**S. B. No. 106 -Senator Maharath, et al.**
To enact section 5.2316 of the Revised Code to designate the first week of May as "Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week."

To the Committee on Health.

**S. B. No. 107 -Senator Maharath, et al.**
To enact section 5.246 of the Revised Code to designate the month of May as "Maternal Mortality Awareness Month."

To the Committee on Health.

**S. B. No. 108 -Senators Huffman, S., Romanchuk**
To provide grants to bars and restaurants and the lodging industry and to make an appropriation.

To the Committee on Finance.

**S. B. No. 109 -Senators Manning, Rulli**
To provide grants to businesses, local fairs, child care providers, and veterans homes and to make an appropriation.

To the Committee on Finance.
S. B. No. 110 - Senators O'Brien, Wilson
To provide rent and utility assistance and to make an appropriation.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. B. No. 111 - Senators Blessing, Brenner
To provide assistance to schools and other entities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to make an appropriation.

To the Committee on Finance.

S. B. No. 112 - Senator Dolan
To amend sections 317.32, 319.48, 319.54, 321.261, 321.263, 321.343, 323.25, 323.26, 323.28, 323.31, 323.33, 323.35, 323.65, 323.67, 323.69, 323.691, 323.70, 323.71, 323.72, 323.73, 323.75, 323.76, 323.77, 323.79, 505.86, 715.261, 721.28, 1721.10, 1724.02, 1724.11, 3737.87, 3745.11, 5709.12, 5721.01, 5721.02, 5721.03, 5721.04, 5721.06, 5721.13, 5721.17, 5721.18, 5721.19, 5721.192, 5721.20, 5721.25, 5721.26, 5721.30, 5721.32, 5721.33, 5721.37, 5722.01, 5722.02, 5722.03, 5722.031, 5722.04, 5722.05, 5722.06, 5722.07, 5722.08, 5722.10, 5722.11, 5722.14, 5722.15, 5722.21, 5723.01, 5723.03, 5723.04, 5723.05, 5723.06, 5723.10, 5723.13, 5723.18, and 5739.02; to enact sections 5721.182, 5721.183, 5722.111, and 5723.20; and to repeal sections 323.74, 5721.14, 5721.15, 5721.16, 5722.09, and 5722.13 of the Revised Code to make changes to the law relating to tax foreclosures and county land reutilization corporations.

To the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

S. B. No. 113 - Senators Rulli, Johnson
To amend sections 3743.01, 3743.04, 3743.08, 3743.15, 3743.17, 3743.21, 3743.25, 3743.44, 3743.45, 3743.57, 3743.59, 3743.60, 3743.61, 3743.63, 3743.65, 3743.75, 3743.99, and 5703.21 and to enact sections 3743.021, 3743.041, 3743.151, 3743.171, 3743.22, 3743.26, 3743.27, 3743.28, 3743.29, 3743.451, 3743.46, 3743.47, and 3743.67 of the Revised Code to revise the Fireworks Law.

To the Committee on Veterans and Public Safety.

S. B. No. 114 - Senator Antani
To amend sections 5739.02 and 5739.03 of the Revised Code to exempt from sales and use tax the sale of child and adult diapers.
To the Committee on Ways and Means.

YES - 14: NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, MATT DOLAN, THERESA GAVARONE, BOB D. HACKETT, JAY HOTTINGER, MATT HUFFMAN, STEPHANIE KUNZE, TINA MAHARATH, ROB MCCOLLEY, BOB PETERSON, KIRK SCHURING, CECIL THOMAS, KENNY YUKO

NO - 0.

The question being, "Shall the report of the committee be accepted?"
The report of the committee was accepted.
Said bills were considered a second time and referred to committee as recommended.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Manning submitted the following report:
The standing committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S. B. No. 36-Senators Manning, Huffman, S. having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

YES - 7: NATHAN H. MANNING, CECIL THOMAS, TERESA FEDOR, KIRK SCHURING, ROB MCCOLLEY, THERESA GAVARONE, NIRAJ ANTANI

NO - 0.

Senator Hoagland submitted the following report:
The standing committee on Veterans and Public Safety, to which was referred S. C. R. No. 1-Senator Schaffer, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its adoption.

YES - 6: BOB PETERSON, TERRY JOHNSON, FRANK HOAGLAND, BOB D. HACKETT, CECIL THOMAS, TERESA FEDOR

NO - 0.

Senator Huffman, S. submitted the following report:
The standing committee on Health, to which was referred S. B. No. 21-
Senators Antonio, Manning, et al., having had the same under consideration, 
reports it back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsor: Huffman, S.

YES - 7: STEPHEN A. HUFFMAN, NIRAJ ANTANI, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, TERRY JOHNSON, KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, MARK ROMANCHUK, CECIL THOMAS

NO - 0.

Senator Huffman, S. submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Health, to which was referred S. B. No. 43-
Senator Schaffer, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it 
back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Huffman, S., Roegner.

YES - 7: STEPHEN A. HUFFMAN, NIRAJ ANTANI, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, TERRY JOHNSON, KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, MARK ROMANCHUK, CECIL THOMAS

NO - 0.

The question being, "Shall the reports of the committee be accepted?"
The reports of the committee were accepted.

**BILLS FOR THIRD CONSIDERATION**

S. B. No. 21-Senators Antonio, Manning.
Cosponsors: Senators Blessing, Craig, Fedor, Hackett, Kunze, Maharath, Romanchuk, Rulli, Schuring, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, Yuko, Huffman, S.

To amend section 4765.401 of the Revised Code regarding emergency medical services and stroke patient protocols, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, S. B. No. 21, pass?"
The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:
Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

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So the bill passed.
The title was amended as follows:
Add the names: "Brenner, Dolan, Gavarone, Hoagland, Johnson, Lang, Reineke, Schaffer, Wilson."
The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”
The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

Sub. S. B. No. 36-Senators Manning, Huffman, S.

To amend sections 2743.51, 2743.59, 2743.60, 2743.65, and 2743.71 of the Revised Code to revise the eligibility standards and procedure for awarding reparations to crime victims, was considered the third time.
The question being, "Shall the bill, Sub. S. B. No. 36, pass?"
The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:
Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators
Antani Antonio Blessing Brenner
Craig Dolan Fedor Gavarone
Hackett Hoagland Hottinger Huffman, S.
Johnson Kunze Lang Maharath
Manning McColley O'Brien Peterson
Reineke Roegner Romanchuk Rulli
Schaffer Schuring Sykes Thomas
Williams Wilson Yuko Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.
The title was amended as follows:
Add the names: "Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Craig, Dolan, Gavarone, Hackett, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, M., Johnson, Kunze, Maharath, McColley, O'Brien, Peterson, Reineke, Schuring, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, Wilson, Yuko."
The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”
The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

S. B. No. 42-Senator Schaffer.
Cosponsors: Senators Lang, Wilson, Yuko, Craig, Fedor, Huffman, S.
To enact section 5.2522 of the Revised Code to designate the second week of November as "Ohio Diabetes Awareness-Heart Connection Week", was considered the third time.
The question being, "Shall the bill, S. B. No. 42, pass?"
The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:
Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antani  Antonio  Blessing  Brenner
Craig  Dolan  Fedor  Gavarone
Hackett  Hoagland  Hottinger  Huffman, S.
Johnson  Kunze  Lang  Maharath
Manning  McColley  O'Brien  Peterson
Reineke  Roegner  Romanchuk  Rulli
Schaffer  Schuring  Sykes  Thomas
Williams  Wilson  Yuko  Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”
The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

S. B. No. 44-Senators Rulli, Cirino.
Cosponsor: Senator Brenner.

To amend sections 3706.40, 3706.41, 3706.43, 3706.45, 3706.46, 3706.49, 3706.55, and 3706.59; to enact section 3706.551; and to repeal sections 3706.53, 3706.61, and 5727.231 of the Revised Code to repeal the nuclear resource credit payment provisions, and amend, and rename as solar resource, the renewable resource credit payment provisions of H.B. 6 of the 133rd General Assembly, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, S. B. No. 44, pass?"

Senator Williams moved to amend as follows:

In line 9 of the title, after "Assembly" insert ", to prohibit utility curtailment during COVID-19 emergency, and to declare an emergency"

After line 259, insert:

"Section 4. (A) As used in this section:

"Cooperative" means an "electric cooperative" as defined in section 4928.01 of the Revised Code or a company that is owned by, and operated exclusively for, its customers to supply those customers with natural gas for lighting, power, or heating purposes.

"Landlord" and "tenant" have the same meanings as in section 5321.01 of the Revised Code.

"Manufactured home park lot" means a lot in a "manufactured home
park" as that term is defined in section 4781.01 of the Revised Code.

"Owner," "park operator," and "tenant" have the same meanings as in section 4781.01 of the Revised Code.

"Propane supply company" means a company that supplies customers with propane for lighting, power, or heating purposes.

"Public utility" means a telephone company, electric light company, natural gas company, pipe-line company, water-works company, heating or cooling company, or sewage disposal system company as defined under section 4905.03 of the Revised Code that is a public utility under section 4905.02 of the Revised Code.

"Residential premises" has the same meaning as in section 5321.01 of the Revised Code, except that the term does not include a dwelling unit owned or operated by a college or university.

"Submetering company" means any person that charges an amount for electric, natural gas, water-works, or sewage services to a residential consumer as measured through one or more submeters and the total amount charged for all components of the service is greater, on a monthly basis, than the total amount at which the service was purchased from a public utility or unregulated utility.

"Unregulated utility" means a telephone company, electric light company, natural gas company, pipe-line company, water-works company, heating or cooling company, or sewage disposal system company as defined under section 4905.03 of the Revised Code that is excepted from being included as a public utility under section 4905.02 of the Revised Code or that is not subject to regulation by the Public Utilities Commission. "Unregulated utility" does not include a cooperative or submetering company.

"Utility service" means the service provided by a cooperative, propane supply company, public utility, submetering company, or unregulated utility.

"State of emergency" means the period of the emergency declared under Executive Order 2020-01D, issued on March 9, 2020.

(B)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(3) of this section, a cooperative, propane supply company, public utility, submetering company, or unregulated utility shall not do either of the following until the state of emergency terminates:

(a) Curtail, disrupt, or disconnect utility service;

(b) Take any action that would effectively lead to or cause
curtailment, disruption, or disconnection of utility service.

(2) Neither of the following shall take the actions described in division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section until the state of emergency terminates:

(a) A landlord with respect to the residential premises of a tenant;

(b) A park operator with respect to a manufactured home park lot occupied by a park tenant or owner.

(3) A cooperative, propane supply company, public utility, submetering company, or unregulated utility may take the actions described in division (B)(1)(a) or (b) of this section to prevent or resolve a presently or imminently hazardous situation or on the request of the customer.

**Section 5.** This act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to address urgent needs of the state arising from a COVID-19 outbreak. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.

The question being, “Shall the amendment be agreed to?”

Senator Hottinger moved that the amendment be laid on the table.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

A roll call was requested which was properly supported.

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 24, nays 8, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

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Senators Antonio, Craig, Fedor, Maharath, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, and Yuko voted in the negative-8.

The amendment was laid on the table.

The question recurred, "Shall the bill, S. B. No. 44, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

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The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators
So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antani, Antonio, Blessing, Craig, Dolan, Fedor, Hackett, Hoagland, Hottinger, Huffman, S., Johnson, Kunze, Lang, Manning, McCollery, Peterson, Reineke, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

MOTIONS

Senator Rob McCollery moved that Senators absent the week of Sunday, February 28, 2021, be excused, so long as a written explanation is on file with the Clerk pursuant to Senate Rule No. 17.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and considered for the first time:

**S. B. No. 115 - Senator Schuring.**

To amend section 135.182 of the Revised Code to make changes to the Ohio Pooled Collateral Program.

**S. B. No. 116 - Senators Hackett, Reineke.**

Cosponsors: Senators Antani, Cirino, Brenner, Hoagland, Huffman, S., Peterson, Roegner, Romanchuk, Lang, Wilson.

To amend section 4141.28 and to enact section 4141.286 of the Revised Code to require a person to provide proof of identity at a local employment office before receiving unemployment compensation or pandemic unemployment assistance and to declare an emergency.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following bill:

**S. B. No. 13-Senator Lang – et al.**
Attest: Bradley J. Young, Clerk.

The President signed said bill.

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Pursuant to Section 4141.12 (B) (2) and (3) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate removes Senator Hearcel F. Craig and appoints Senator Teresa Fedor to the Unemployment Compensation Modernization and Improvement Council.

On the motion of Senator Hottinger, the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest: VINCENT L. KEERAN, Clerk.