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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

Senator Shirkey offered the following concurrent resolution:

A concurrent resolution to approve an extension to the state of emergency and state of disaster declared across the State of Michigan to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

Whereas, Under the Emergency Management Act, PA 390 of 1976, the Governor may declare a state of disaster and a state of emergency for the reasons specified therein; and

Whereas, A state of disaster or state of emergency declared under the Emergency Management Act continues until the governor finds that the threat or danger has passed, the disaster or emergency has been dealt with to the extent that disaster or emergency conditions no longer exist, or until the declared state of disaster or emergency has been in effect for 28 days; and

Whereas, After 28 days, the governor shall issue an executive order or proclamation declaring the state of disaster or emergency terminated, unless a request by the governor for an extension of the state of disaster or emergency for a specific number of days is approved by resolution of both houses of the legislature; and

Whereas, On March 10, 2020, Governor Whitmer issued Executive Order 2020-4 declaring a state of emergency across the State of Michigan to address the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, On April 1, 2020, Governor Whitmer issued Executive Order 2020-33 to replace Executive Order 2020-4 and expand that initial March 10, 2020 declaration to include a state of disaster related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, The same day, Governor Whitmer requested that the Legislature pass a concurrent resolution extending the state of emergency and state of disaster in Michigan; and

Whereas, On March 29, 2020, the federal government extended nationwide social distancing guidelines through April 30, 2020 to combat the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the state of emergency and state of disaster must be extended to protect the health and safety of Michigan’s citizens; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That we approve an extension of the state of emergency and state of disaster declared by Governor Whitmer in Executive Order 2020-4 and Executive Order 2020-33 through April 30, 2020, which is 23 days from the date of this concurrent resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor.

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