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Michigan Senate  
State Capitol  
Lansing MI 48909-7536

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I have signed Enrolled Senate Bill 133, which makes appropriations for various departments and agencies, the judicial branch and the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. The appropriations in Enrolled Senate Bill 133 total \$38.6 billion and provide funding for critical services throughout the state.

I have, however, disapproved one item pursuant to Section 19 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963. The specific veto is detailed in the attached copy of the bill that has been filed with the Secretary of State.

I have disapproved the attempted re-appropriation of lapsed funds in section 1010(1) of Article X because the legislature has already appropriated, and I have approved, funding for the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans as necessary to comply with federal regulations and state law.

I have considered the enforceability of boilerplate provisions as I provide direction to departments in implementing appropriations contained in Enrolled Senate Bill 133. Among the various provisions that are considered unenforceable, I note the following: section 453(2) (Article I); section 1069 (Article VIII); and section 382 (Article XVII).

Enrolled Senate Bill 133 also contains numerous boilerplate sections that include statements of legislative intent. We will take these legislative preferences into consideration as departments and agencies implement the appropriations. However, these legislative intent statements do not impose conditions on appropriations and are non-binding upon departments and agencies implementing the appropriations.

I commend the Legislature for completing its work on this omnibus appropriations bill. I look forward to reaching resolution on a road funding package with the same spirit of cooperation. A properly maintained transportation infrastructure is vital to Michigan's economy and to the safety of residents and visitors of this great state. I am hopeful that, in partnership with the Legislature, a permanent plan is set in motion to make this critical investment.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Snyder", written in a cursive style.

Rick Snyder  
Governor

Attachment

cc: Michigan House of Representatives  
The Honorable Ruth Johnson, Secretary of State