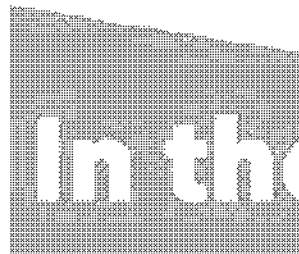
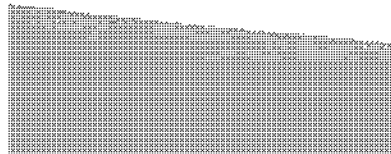

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GOVERNOR'S ACTIVITIES

Bill signings

[No roads fix, but more than 70 bills are now Mich. Law \(Freep\)](#)

The Michigan Legislature may not have been able to get a package of bills passed yet to fix the roads, but in the last four months, they've passed more than 70 bills that were signed into law by Gov. Rick Snyder.

Event preview

[Gov. Snyder to address higher education affordability \(WLNS\)](#)

Governor Rick Snyder will also be addressing higher education and school affordability at the Center for Michigan's Policy Conference. The event will be Monday at 9:00 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel in Lansing.

LT. GOVERNOR'S ACTIVITIES

[Michigan political odd couple join forces at NYC marathon \(Freep\)](#)

They are two of the most unlikely political allies in Lansing. One is a state Supreme Court justice nominated by Democrats and one of two remaining progressive voices on the bench. The other is the very conservative lieutenant governor in the state who is widely expected to run for governor in 2018.

[TC Employee Receives Special Recognition \(9&10 News\)](#)

One local man got to work alongside a special guest today. Today Lieutenant Governor Brian Calley stopped by Tom's Food Market in Traverse City to work with employee Kyle Barker for bring your legislator to work day. "Events like this help to spotlight employers who are creating an inclusive work environment for people with disabilities."

[Lt. Governor bags groceries \(TV 7&4\)](#)

A lieutenant governor spent Friday afternoon working at a northern Michigan grocery store. If you shopped at Tom's Food Market on Fourteenth Street in Traverse City on Friday, there's a chance Lt. Governor Brian Calley may have bagged your groceries.

State law to save Ypsilanti, Willow Run taxpayers \$3.3 million (Mlive)

State Rep. David Rutledge, D-Superior Township, sponsored the legislation, which had near unanimous support in the state Senate and House of Representatives. Lt. Gov. Brian Calley signed the bill into law this week.

No more money: Michigan architect calls for reconsideration (Mlive)

Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, who has a daughter with autism, signed the legislation during a period where Gov. Rick Snyder was out of the state. He pointed out that the mandate for traditional insurers to cover autism treatment remains intact, even without the fund. "While it is very concerning that the Michigan autism coverage fund could soon run out of reimbursement funds, the requirement for insurance companies to cover autism services will not be impacted," Lt. Gov. Brian Calley said.

Forlini's bill to help family members get into law (Macomb Daily)

The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act was signed into law on Friday by Lt. Gov. Brian Calley in a ceremony in Lansing that included the bill's author, state Rep. Tony Forlini, R-Harrison Township.

Michigan Political Points Aspects and Courser/Gamrat oppose (Mlive)

GOV WATCH: Michigan's 2018 gubernatorial election is still years away, but campaign finance documents filed with the state this week again hinted at potential runs for three top Republicans: Attorney General Bill Schuette, Lieutenant Gov. Brian Calley and Senate Majority Leader Arlan Meekhof.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

DNR

Increasing growth of Michigan forest products (UP Matters)

The Governor's 2015 Forest Products Summit, held Wednesday in East Lansing, Michigan, brought together 150 representatives from industry, government, the financial sector and academia to continue actions started at the Governor's 2013 Forest Products Summit to encourage growth of wood-using industries in the state. Bill O'Neill, chief of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forest Resources Division, says collaboration since the 2013 summit already has helped grow the industry.

DNR seeks outdoor recreation partners and sponsors for 2016 season (UP Matters)

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources currently is seeking support from partners and sponsors for 2016 outdoor recreation events and initiatives. Opportunities include sponsoring statewide event campaigns, creating co-promotional products for distribution, and donating to projects such as the Iron Belle Trail, the Outdoor Adventure Center in Detroit and the upcoming 2019 Centennial Celebration of Michigan State Parks.

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State program to connect work-authorized immigrants to careers (Crain's Detroit Business)

The program is an extension of a program launched in 2013 with San Francisco nonprofit Upwardly Global to retrain immigrants. That program resulted in the placement of 27 immigrants, resulting in an average annual salary increase of \$48,650, said Mike Zimmer, director for the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, which oversees the New Americans office.

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8 skimming suspects face charges (WOOD TV)

The eight suspects who authorities say are responsible for incidents of "skimming" at West Michigan gas stations this summer are now being charged in federal court.

Experts urge caution on net-pen aquaculture (The Detroit News)

The recommendation was among many in five reports submitted by a panel of scientists, economists and other experts appointed to advise regulators considering whether a process known as "net-pen aquaculture" would be suitable for