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Senators,

Today, I was delighted to sign Enrolled House Bills 4308 and 4309. Without these bills, Michigan's legal limit for blood alcohol content while driving would increase to 0.10% on October 1, 2021, endangering Michigan drivers and costing the state millions in federal funding. Due to an oversight in the drafting process, however, these bills arrived on my desk with an effective date 90 days after signature, which would cause the legal limit to temporarily rise to 0.10% before dropping back down to 0.08%.

I am signing these bills with the expectation this oversight will be corrected. Based on conversations with legislative leadership, I am confident that this Legislature will promptly send me trailer bills that ensure Michigan's BAC limit remains at 0.08% without interruption.

Sincerely,

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