

Michigan State Representative District 24

2 Candidates on the November 6, 2018 ballot

Duties: The Michigan House of Representatives shares responsibility with the Michigan Senate to enact new laws and amend or repeal existing laws.

Qualifications: State Representatives may serve a maximum of three full terms. They must be at least 21 years of age and a registered voter in their district. There are 110 State House districts which are re-apportioned after each census.

Term: 2 years Vote for ONE (1)

STEVE MARINO, Republican



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Occupation / Current Position: State Representative, District #24 Michigan House of Representatives

Education: Michigan State University: B.A., Economics B.A., Political Theory & Constitutional Democracy B.A., Public Policy & Public Administration

Qualifications / Experience: In addition to my educational background, I have the honor of currently serving the residents of the 24th District as State Representative. Previously, I served as a Macomb County Commissioner for the 10th District comprised of Harrison Township and the majority of St. Clair Shores.

Questions:

1. PRIORITIES: What are your top three state legislative priorities and how would you address them?

A: I am running for reelection to ensure that Michigan's economic climate continues to increase momentum and maintains its current direction. Among my priorities as a public servant, I believe Michigan must continue forging a job-friendly environment by removing unnecessary regulations, limiting government and unfunded mandates, providing a skilled workforce, and collaborating with our key industries so our businesses are able to compete in the global economy.

2. EDUCATION: What measures do you support/propose to achieve improved educational outcomes and accessibility for Michigan students from early childhood through post-secondary education?

A: Although our education system promotes well-rounded curricula, Michigan must do better in linking education and job-providers through career readiness. Our emerging workforce is ill-equipped for the job opportunities that exist today and that gap will continue to increase for the careers of tomorrow. By including representatives from the business community in educational development process for K-12 and, most importantly, higher education and vocational training, our graduates will be better prepared and have a clear understanding of the skills and knowledge required in order to obtain better-paying jobs right here

3. ECONOMY: What policies do you support to increase jobs and help Michigan residents improve their economic positions?

A: I believe Michigan's must prioritize providing a skilled workforce and attracting career opportunities while properly funding all areas of our local infrastructure so Michigan is able to compete in today's evolving economic environment. I have and will continue to forge a job-friendly environment by enhancing our skilled workforce through innovative vocational training opportunities, properly investing in all aspects of our infrastructure, and diversifying our economic portfolio through cross-sector partnerships such as agri-tourism and promoting key industries such as defense, IT, tourism, and agriculture.

4. ELECTIONS: What state policies do you support regarding campaign funding and voting rights?

A: In regard to campaign funding and government spending, I support efforts to increase transparency and accountability - especially when there is potential abuse of taxpayer resources. Pertaining to voting rights, I believe that we must ensure that citizens are able to exercise their right to vote without compromising the integrity of our democratic system.

5. ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY: What actions or policies do you support to protect Michigan's water, air and land for current and future generations, while meeting the state's energy needs? Explain how those actions or policies would affect the future of Enbridge Pipeline 5.

A: As the Great Lakes State, I believe we should always strive to be stewards of our community while encouraging market competitiveness and consumer protection. We must protect our water and natural resources while remaining fiscally responsible and preventing unnecessary rules or regulations.

6. JUSTICE: What policies will you pursue to promote social and racial justice in our state?

A: - no response -

LAURA WINN, Democrat



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Occupation / Current Position: Owner - 2 Girls & a Bucket

Education: Graduated Centerline High School, 1981

Qualifications / Experience: I'm not a politician. I'm a small business owner who understands first hand the challenges facing working men and women and seniors.

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A: - no response -

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