

Michigan State Representative District 84

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)

PHIL GREEN, Republican

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Occupation / Current Position: Christian School Administrator and Assistant Pastor at Juniata Baptist Church

Education: 1999 BS in Bible/Youth Ministry and Sacred Music 2009 MA in Biblical Exposition In Progress
Doctorate of Education

Qualifications / Experience: 2000-2012 Sheriff's Chaplain 19 years of helping individuals as a Pastor.

Questions:

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

A: 1. Bringing jobs back to the Thumb. It is a multi-faceted approach including reducing government intrusion into our lives by reducing taxes and the size of government, creating a community where people would like to live through dealing with infrastructure issues and strong communities, and reducing the cost of doing business in the Thumb. 2. Protecting our Constitutional Rights. By opposing unconstitutional infringements on our free speech. 3. Reducing the cost of owning a vehicle in Michigan. The gas tax needs to be repealed, the roads need to be fixed, the insurance is crazy and registration is too high!

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: 1. I would start by returning control back to the local school boards. 2. Increase funding especially for Vocational Tech. 3. Stabilize the ever changing state testing mandates. 4. Work to make the Thumb a place where families want to move to; thus increasing the funding of our schools through an increase in students in the schools.

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

A: Reducing the tax burden. Michigan is improving and coming back, but we were promised a return to the pre-Granholm income tax rate. I will fight to get that finished. 2. Increasing the opportunities people have for job training and higher education.

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

A: I believe in free speech. Individuals should be able to support the candidates they agree with. All able bodied citizens have the right to vote; however the sacred institution of elections need to be safeguarded by making sure that our elections are not compromised.

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: I support leaving Michigan beautiful and sustainable for generations to come. Conservation of our natural resources is of utmost importance! I support the feasibility study being done in replacing the Enbridge Pipeline. Before it is decommissioned, though, I would like to be assured that the U.P. is taken care of with affordable utilities.

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

A: I believe that every person is to be treated with dignity and respect. Likewise, every person should treat others with dignity and respect. One group of people is not more important or more equal than any other group. I will work to ensure that all individuals are treated equally under the law.

WILLIAM SHOOP, Democrat

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Education: BS in Ed from Central Michigan University Industrial Education major Physical Education minor Special Education major endorsement from Saginaw Valley State University

Qualifications / Experience: Thirty seven years of public education. Served as union president for two locals and negotiated of two locals.

Questions:

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

A: Restore public education, limit charter schools, fund schools at an appropriate level, stop the attacks on teachers. Rebuild michigan's infrastructure, competition bidding and prioritizing projects. Campaign reform, stop gerrymandered, limit spending, truth in campaigning.

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: Continue special education ages 0 - 26. Affordable college education for everyone. Teacher based curriculum. Teachers ability to negotiate.

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

A: A fair working wage. Appeal right to work.

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

A: I support changes in campaign spending. The amount of money spent is out of control including the sources where this money comes from. There needs to be a reasonable cap set for all elections. All citizens have the right to vote. It should be a simple, hassle free, and quick process for everyone.

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: The state, as well as the nation and world, needs to expand their efforts to reduce, reuse, and recycle so the amount of pollution added to water, air, and land is reduced. The reduction of the use of fossil fuels and the expansion of alternative, renewable energy needs to continue. Considering the age of the pipeline, it's probably time for a safer replacement.

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

A: An equal and appropriate education should be available for all. A good education provides more opportunities to prepare individuals for a successful career and life.

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