

**VOTER GUIDE – AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION
MICHIGAN SENATE – DISTRICT 12**

**Tuesday, August 7, 2018
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.**

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You may VOTE in ONLY ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY for ALL partisan offices on ballot.

**Note: Candidates are ordered within each office by party
with Republicans preceding Democrats preceding Libertarians.**

For additional candidate responses to questions on specific policy areas, go to VOTE411.org

6 Candidates for MICHIGAN SENATE for ONE 4-year term

4 Republicans, 1 Democrat, and 1 Libertarian are running for this office

CANDIDATES for MICHIGAN SENATE	Biographical information:	Question 1:
ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i>		What are your top three state legislative priorities and how would you address them?
<i>Republican</i> MICHAEL D. MCCREADY P. O. Box 7871 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302		DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION
<i>Republican</i> VERNON MOLNAR 2627 Auburn Rd. Auburn Hills, MI 48326		DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION

MICHIGAN SENATE (Continued)

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<p><i>Republican</i> JIM TEDDER P. O. Box 544 Clarkston, MI 48347</p>	<p>Website: www.betterwithtedder.com Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ElectJimTedder/ Twitter: twitter.com/jimtedder Occupation / Current Position: State Representative, 43rd House District; Small Business Owner Education: B.A. Political Science and Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University; Master of Business Administration, Oakland University; Post-Baccalaureate Teaching Certificate, Eastern Michigan University Qualifications / Experience: State Representative (2 terms), Associate Speaker Pro Tempore, Chair of House Tax Policy Committee, Vice Chair of Health Policy Committee; Small Business Owner (31+ years); Teacher & Administrator at Clarkston Community Schools (11 years); Lecturer at Oakland University (4 years); Board Member at Clarkston Foundation for Public Education; Member of Clarkston, Orion, and Oxford Chambers of Commerce</p>	<p>My top three priorities will be continuing to stand up for taxpayers, fixing our roads without raising taxes, and limiting the size of government. We can accomplish these by repealing the “temporary” tax increase on hard-working families and force government to live within its means, just like you and I must do. We need to demand that politicians quit making excuses and dedicate more money to fix our deteriorating roads, without raising taxes. We will continue our fight against government overreach by eliminating job-killing regulations.</p>
<p><i>Republican</i> TERRY WHITNEY 4814 Sundale Dr. Clarkston, MI 48346</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	

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<p><i>Democrat</i> ROSEMARY BAYER 17928 Dunblaine Ave. Beverly Hills, MI 48025</p>	<p>Website: https://www.rosemarybayer.com/ Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/RosemaryforMISenate/ Twitter: twitter.com/rosemarybayer Occupation / Current Position: Software Engineer and Business Owner Education: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Math from Central Michigan University MBA with Distinction from Lawrence Technological University Qualifications / Experience: Computer software engineer and engineering / business manager for 30 years. Led global automotive division for Sun Microsystems; then co-founded ardentCause, L3C, a small company, providing innovative data systems and technology services to nonprofit sector. Co-founded the Michigan Council of Women in Technology (www.mcwt.org); serve on multiple nonprofit and local government boards.</p>	<p>Equitable Education -Non-legislative experts -Sensible testing -Leverage technology -Restructure funding Healthy Communities -Affordable healthcare: Expand Healthy MI; senior support; build addiction and mental health programs; eliminate Medicaid work requirement -Stop Gun violence: background checks, red flag laws, storage requirements, fix licensing loopholes -Community revenue-sharing for public safety -Environmental protection Trustworthy Infrastructure: roads, bridges, pipes (water, sewer, oil, etc), broadband & electrical grid. Multi-year goals and plans with new technology to stop high cost all-crisis</p>
<p><i>Libertarian</i> JEFF PITTEL P. O. Box 7386 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302</p>	<p>Website: jeffpittel4mi.org Facebook: http://JeffPittel Twitter: twitter.com/JeffPittel Occupation / Current Position: Engineer Education: B.S. Mechanical Engineering - Univ. of Michigan M.S. Mechanical Engineering - Univ. of Michigan Qualifications / Experience: I have worked in Private Industry in a number of roles including Engineering Management, Plant Management and Program Management. In these roles I have been responsible for setting and maintaining budgets, authoring and implementing procedures and policies, delivering products within a prescribed timeline, and determining appropriate staffing and personnel levels.</p>	<p>Education funding constitutes the majority of the State budget and our State ranks near the bottom of educational outcome and attainment in the Nation, I would advocate solutions as outlined below. The State's infrastructure is an impediment to business, quality of life and tourism, therefore I would propose that user fees (e.g., tolls) be implemented to fund and maintain the infrastructure. As the center of the Great Lakes, environmental stewardship is a critical State function and the State should determine and monitor the level of permissible contaminants in the water, air and soil.</p>

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