

Sen. Jack Brandenburg (R – Harrison Twp.)  
8<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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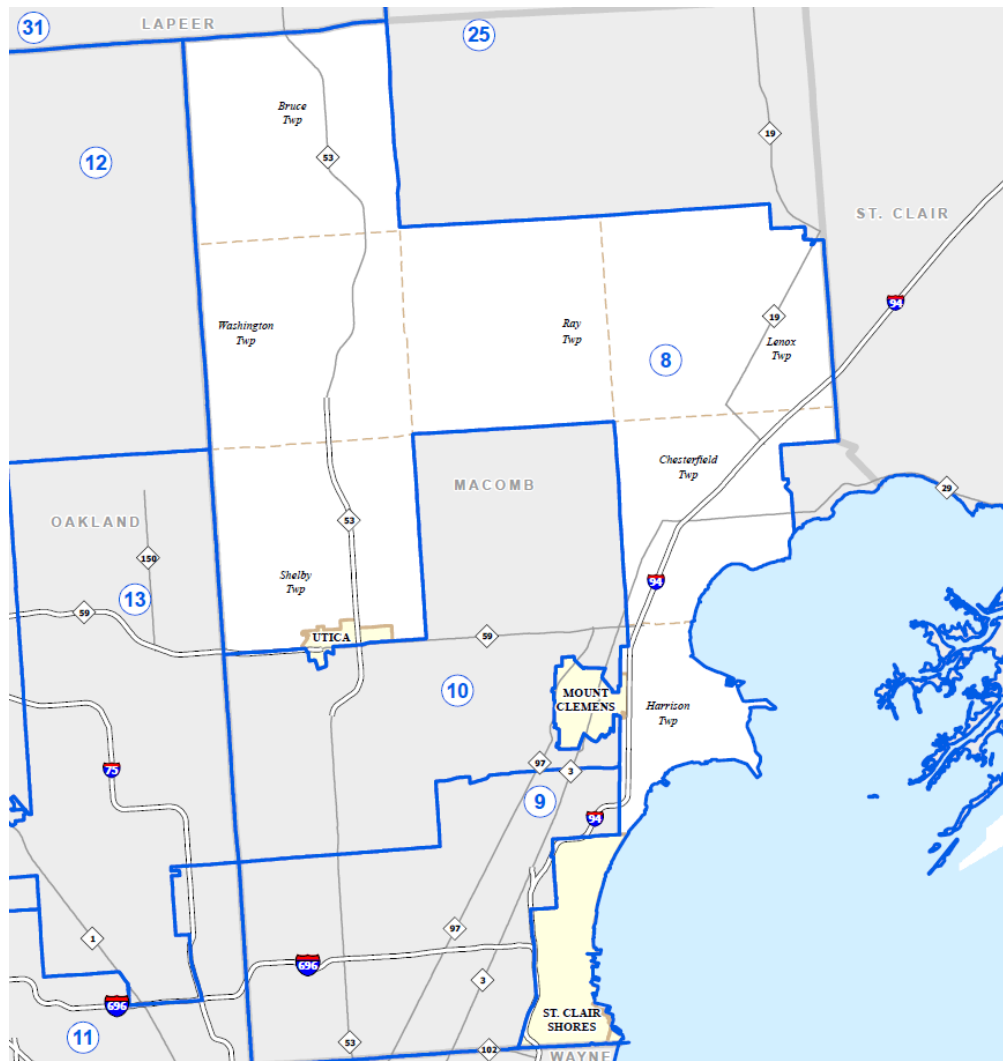
**Bio:**

Jack Brandenburg began his legislative career in 2003, serving three terms in the House of Representatives. Now, serving his second term in the Senate, Jack is the chairman of the Finance committee and a member of the committees on Economic Development and International Investment, Insurance, and Local Government, and the Elections and Government Reform Committee. He also serves as Majority Caucus Whip for the Republican Caucus.

Prior to his legislative career, Jack Brandenburg earned a degree in Business Administration from Ashland University in 1974. Shortly after graduation, Jack moved to Michigan where he then started his own company, Blue Water Industrial Supply. The company began in the trunk of Jack's car and now does business with railroad companies across the United States.

Shortly before Jack started Blue Water Industrial Supply, he married Karen Linenger. Together since 1978, the couple have four children; Bryan, Rhett, John and Paige. Jack and Karen raised their children in Harrison Township where the entire family has been active in the community. Each of the four children graduated from L'Anse Creuse High School.

**District:**



District includes, in the County of Macomb, the cities of Mt. Clemens, St. Clair Shoes, Utica, and Grosse Pointe Shores, and the townships of Bruce, Chesterfield, Harrison, Lenox, Ray, Shelby, and Washington.

Sen. Dave Robertson (R – Grand Blanc)  
14<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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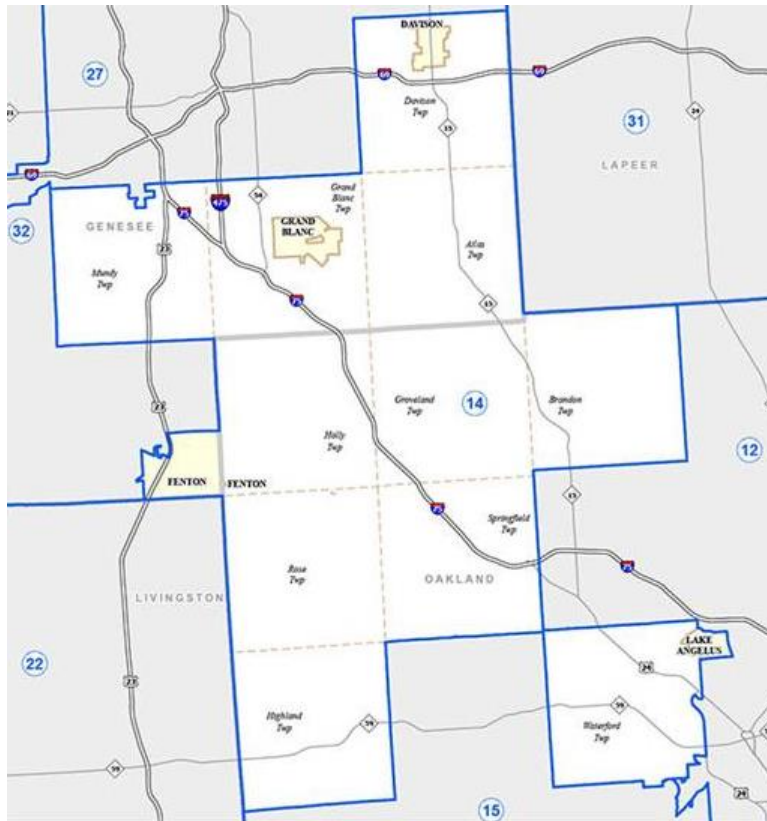
Senator Dave Robertson was first elected to the Legislature in 1990. He returned to the Michigan House after the 2002 election and served until 2008.

Dave has been a consistent and passionate advocate for lower taxes, smaller government, and pro-growth policies, as well as cutting excessive regulations, and standing up for property rights.

Robertson serves as Majority Caucus Chair for the Senate Republicans, as well as Chair of the Elections and Government Reform committee, vice-chair of the Finance committee, and a member of the Health Policy, Natural Resources, and Michigan Competitiveness committees.

Robertson is a lifelong resident of Genesee County.

**District:**



District includes, in the County of Genesee, the cities of Davison, Fenton, and Grand Blanc, and the townships of Atlas, Davison, Grand Blanc, and Mundy, and in the County of Oakland, the cities of Fenton and Lake Angelus and the townships of Brandon, Groveland, Highland, Holly, Rose, Springfield, and Waterford.

# Sen. Tom Casperson (R – Escanaba)

## 38<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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**Bio:**

Tom Casperson served in the Michigan House of Representatives for six years, from 2002 to 2008. In 2010, he was elected to the Michigan Senate, and was re-elected for a second term in 2014.

Prior to being elected to the legislature, Casperson worked for 27 years in his family's log trucking business, including 12 years as its owner and operator. That business, Casperson & Son Trucking, was started by his grandfather.

In the Senate, Casperson serves as chair of the Transportation Committee and the Natural Resources Committee. In addition, he is a member of the Senate's Families, Seniors, and Human Services Committee and Finance Committees.

Casperson and his wife Diane, whom he married in 1982, continue to reside in Escanaba with two of their four children: Hillary and Dane. Their son Tom is a recent graduate of the engineering program at Western Michigan University, while their daughter Ashley lives in San Diego with her husband, Chan, who serves in the U.S. Navy, and their daughter, Oaklyn.

**District:**



District includes the counties of Alger, Baraga, Delta, Dickinson, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw, Marquette, Menominee, Ontonagon, and Schoolcraft.

# Sen. Marty Knollenberg (R – Troy)

## 13<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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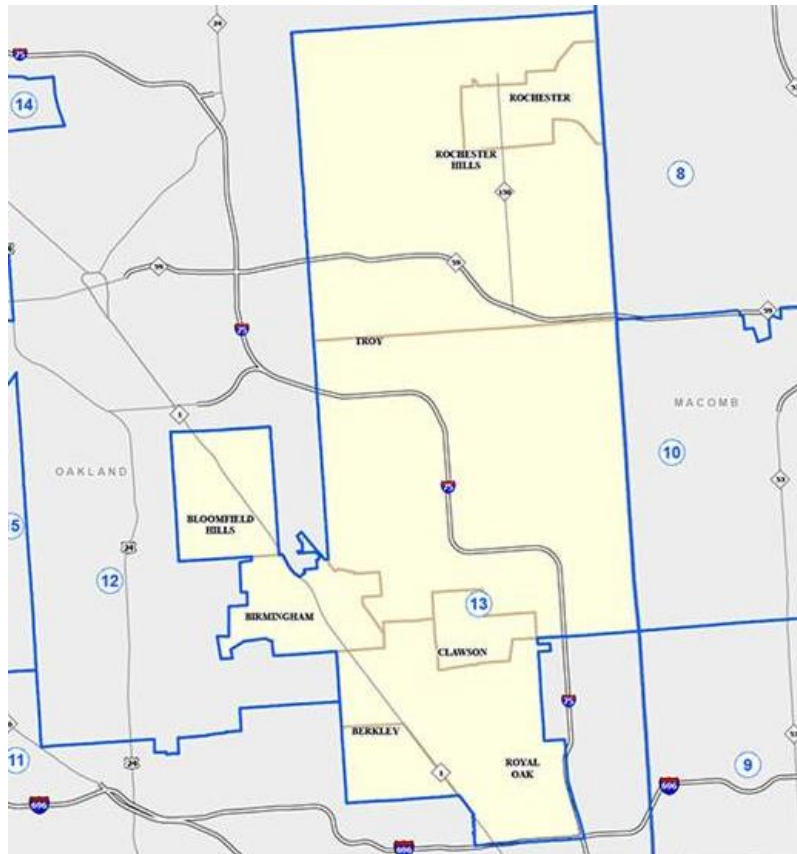
State Senator Marty Knollenberg has been an Oakland County resident for his entire life. He attended Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills public schools, and currently lives in Troy with his wife Lori and two step-daughters, Lindsey and Lorrin. Knollenberg is a graduate of Albion College and has been a small business owner for 27 years.

He was first elected to public office in 2003, serving as a county commissioner representing the cities of Troy and Rochester Hills, where he served on the Finance, General Government and Building and Planning committees.

In 2007, he was elected to House of Representatives, a position he held until 2012. In 2014, residents of the 13th District elected Knollenberg to represent them in the Michigan Senate. Knollenberg was appointed to serve as chairman of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Appropriations Subcommittee and on the Transportation and Corrections Appropriations subcommittees. He is also vice-chairman of the Education Committee and a member of the Finance and Regulatory Reform committees.

Knollenberg has been an activist and leader in Oakland County for decades volunteering with area organizations including the Kiwanis Club of Troy, the Deaf Community Action Network Board, the Troy Community Coalition and the Troy Prayer Breakfast Committee.

**District:**



District includes, in the County of Oakland, the cities of Berkley, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Clawson, Rochester, Rochester Hills, Royal Oak, and Troy.



# Sen. John Proos (R – St. Joseph)

## 21<sup>st</sup> Senate District



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**Bio:**

State Senator John Proos was first elected to the Michigan Senate in 2010 and was re-elected in 2014. He served as a State Representative from 2005 through 2010. He resides in St. Joseph with his wife Kristy and three children, Elena, Jack and Nora.

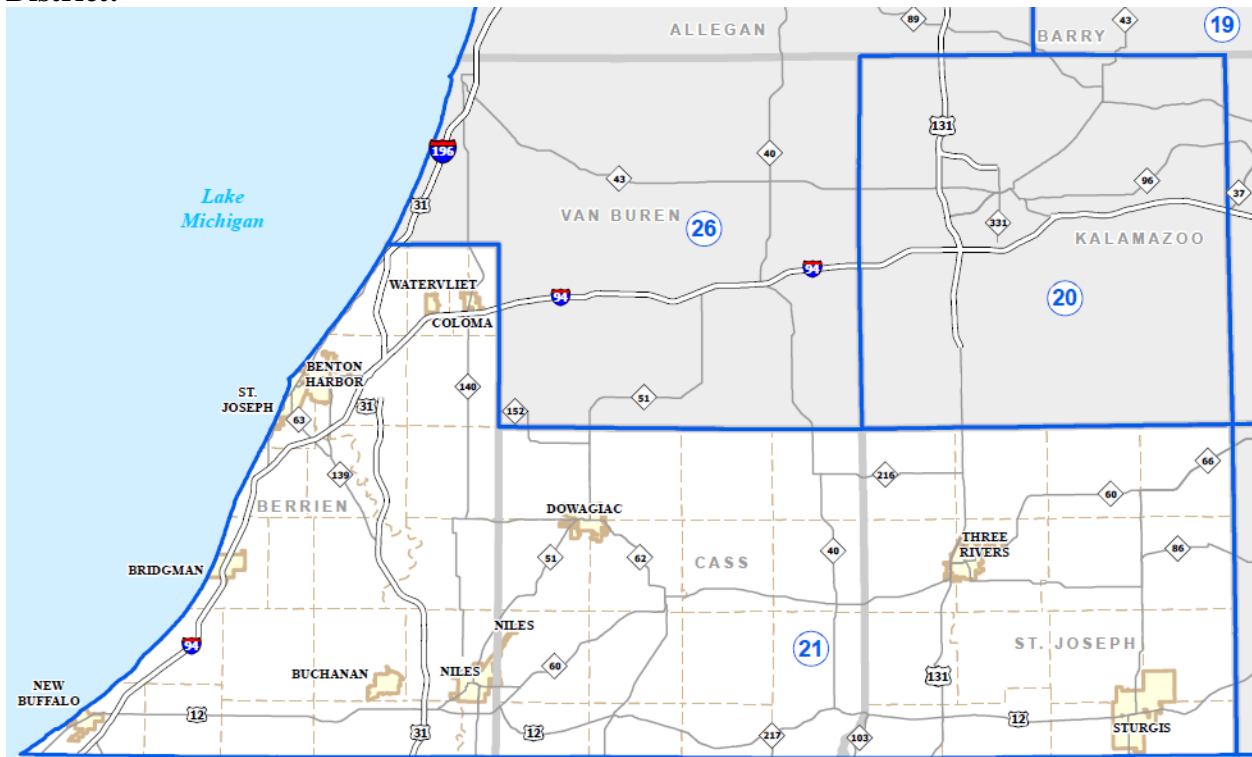
Senator Proos serves as vice chair of the Energy and Technology and Local Government committees and is a member of the Finance and Michigan Competitiveness committees. As a member of the Senate Appropriations committee, he serves as chair of the Corrections and Judiciary subcommittees, and is also a member of the Human Services subcommittee.

Sen. Proos is a 1988 graduate of Lake Michigan Catholic High School. He holds a bachelor of Political Science from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI and a Master's in Higher Education Administration from Michigan State University.

Proos has previously worked on the staff of Congressman Fred Upton in several different capacities. Proos also worked as vice president of Heritage Homes Inc. of Michigan in Berrien County.

Proos is active in many Southwest Michigan groups including the Rotary Club of St. Joseph/Benton Harbor and the United Way of Southwest Michigan. He is a board member of the Berrien Community Foundation and member of St. Joseph the Provider Knights of Columbus Chapter of St. Joseph Catholic Parish and the Coloma American Legion Post 362. He was also a member of the Lakeland Regional Health System Community Benefits Committee and HOSTS mentor for Benton Harbor Area Schools.

**District:**



District includes the counties of Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph.

## Sen. Steve Bieda (D – Warren) 9<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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**Bio:**

In 2002, Sen. Bieda was elected State Representative. His public service has continued with his election to the state Senate in 2010 and in 2014.

In August 2015, he was able to bring a piece of Michigan history back to the Capitol lawns. Two cannons had been located on the east Capitol lawns – as a reminder of Michigan’s role in the Civil War, for nearly 60 years before they were melted down during World War II, as part of the war effort. Working with Senator Mike Kowall, he was able to bring two historical replicas to take their rightful place on the Capitol lawn.

Prior to Sen. Bieda’s service in the state legislature, he worked as a director of labor relations in Warren and a senior policy analyst for Michigan’s House of Representatives. He also enjoys the distinction of being the only living Michigander to design a coin for the U.S. Mint. He also chaired the Thomas Edison Silver Dollar Project, which commemorated the 125th anniversary of the invention of the light bulb.

Raised in Warren, he is a lifelong resident of Macomb County. After attending Cousino High School, Sen. Bieda went on to receive a bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Wayne State University. Later, he earned his juris doctor from University of Detroit Mercy School of Law as well as a Master of Tax Law degree from Wayne State University Law School.

**District:**



District includes, in the County of Macomb, the cities of Center Line, Eastpointe, Fraser, Roseville, and Warren and the Township of Clinton.

# Sen. Rebekah Warren (D – Ann Arbor)

## 18<sup>th</sup> Senate District



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**Bio:**

A long-time resident of Ann Arbor, Sen. Warren was first elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2006, where she served for four years. She is now in her second term as State Senator.

Warren is the Democratic Vice-Chair of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, and in 2011 was appointed to represent Michigan on the prestigious Great Lakes Commission, an interstate compact focused on water use and conservation. In addition to the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, she serves as Democratic Vice-Chair of the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform, the Senate Committee on Michigan Competitiveness, and the Senate Committee on Economic Development and International Investment, as well as a member of the Senate Committee on Finance.

Prior to her work as a lawmaker, Warren served as executive director of a statewide women's healthcare non-profit for seven years, and remains dedicated to those issues.

**District:**



District includes, in the County of Washtenaw, the cities of Ann Arbor, Milan, Saline, and Ypsilanti and the townships of Ann Arbor, Augusta, Pittsfield, Salem, Superior, York, and Ypsilanti.