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MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Description	Ban local food and beverage taxes	Corporate subsidies sold as the "Good Jobs" package	Tax capture scheme sold as the "MiThrive" package	Reduce state personal income tax rate	Public school employee pension reform	Repeal rule banning car running in driveway	Ban discrimination against charter schools when selling property	Exempt residential painters and decorators from state licensing	Revise teacher certification exceptions	Allow small LCC landlords to represent themselves in eviction	Subsidize certain grocery stores in urban areas	Bring Michigan law in line with the Supreme Court's Citizens United ruling	"Bad driver tax" repeal and amnesty	Limit state department rulemaking authority	Impose state licensure regime on pain management facilities	Repeal a school hiring preference mandate	Authorize Flint "promise zone" tax increment financing
Bill #	HB 4999	SB 242	SB 111	HB 4001	SB 401	HB 4215	SB 249	HB 4608	HB 5141	HB 4463	HB 4207	SB 335	HB 5079	HB 4205	HB 4404	HB 4166	SB 98
Roll Call Vote #	HRC 294	HRC 260	HRC 94	HRC 5	HC 216	HRC 84	HRC 230	HRC 229	HRC 504	HRC 280	HRC 377	HRC 271	HRC 373	HRC 121	HRC 440	HRC 77	HRC 314
Sponsor	Rep. VerHeulen	Sen. Stamas	Sen. Horn	Rep. Chatfield	Sen. Phil Pavlov	Hughes	Sen. Mike Shirkey	Rep. Noble	Rep. Bronna Kahle	Rep. Scott VanSingel	Rep. Andy Schor	Sen. Dave Robertson	Rep. Dare Rendon	Rep. Triston Cole	Rep. Sam Singh	Rep. Mary Whiteford	Sen. Jim Ananich
AFP Position	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No

Summaries (by column):

- **Ban local food and beverage taxes (HB 4999):** Stops local units of government in Michigan from imposing excise taxes on food or beverages. Among other things, this bill bans taxes on soft drinks. *Note: This bill is an appropriate legal and philosophical state pre-emption of local authority because it preserves and protects free exchange from encroachment.*
- **Corporate subsidies sold as the "Good Jobs" package (SB 242):** One bill in a broader package that redistributes $200 million of state revenue to certain businesses. Eligible companies would get cash subsidies for up to 10 years equal to half or all of the income tax paid by their employees.
- **Tax capture scheme sold as the "MiThrive" package (SB 111):** One bill in a broader package that allows certain well-connected real estate developers to capture a portion of the tax revenue collected by government within a specific geographic location, including sales, use, and income tax revenue totaling as much as $1 billion.
- **Reduce state personal income tax rate (HB 4001):** To cut the state income tax from the current 4.25 percent to 4.05 percent over two years. And then gradually reduce the rate by a quarter of a percentage point annually till it reaches 3.9% (if lawmakers keep $1 billion in the state's rainy day fund). *Note: 3.9% is the rate taxpayers were promised it would roll back down to when it was raised to 4.35% in 2007 by Gov. Granholm.*
- **Public school employee pension reform (SB 401):** One bill in a package that overhauls the public school employee retirement system in order to incentivize fully-funded, contribution-driven retirement accounts. This is accomplished by establishing a system of generous employer contributions in the defined contribution system and greater cost-sharing in the traditional pension option.
- **Repeal rule banning car running in driveway (HB 4215):** Repeals a rule that prohibits leaving an unattended vehicle running other than on a public street or highway. Allows individuals to "warm up" a car in their own driveway without fear of a potential fine.
- **Ban discrimination against charter schools when selling property (SB 249):** Closes various loopholes that public school districts and local governments have exploited to avoid having to sell property to a charter or private school.
- **Exempt residential painters and decorators from state licensing (HB 4608):** To exempt residential painters and decorators from state licensure mandates and fees.
- **Revise teacher certification exceptions (HB 5141):** To reduce barriers to the teaching profession by allowing someone who holds a career and technical education program.
- **Allow small LCC landlords to represent themselves in eviction (HB 4463):** To allow a landlord who is a single-person or married couple and organized as a 'limited liability company' to represent themselves in an eviction proceeding if they choose to do so without having to hire a lawyer.
- **Subsidize certain grocery stores in urban areas (HB 4207):** To authorize roughly $1–$2 million in state subsidies for grocery stores operating in urban areas where the nearest other store is farther than 1 mile. This would come from money earmarked to an existing business subsidy program.
- **Bring Michigan law in line with the Supreme Court's Citizens United ruling (SB 335):** To bring Michigan law in line with the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in the Citizens United vs. FEC case, which said political spending is protected under First Amendment free-speech rights as long as it is done independently of a candidate or party.
- **"Bad driver tax" repeal and amnesty (HB 5079):** To add a workforce training payment program as an alternative to payment of outstanding "driver responsibility fees" ("bad driver tax").
- **Limit state department rulemaking authority (HB 4205):** To prohibit a state department from enacting rules (regulations) more strict than required by federal standards unless required by state law or the department director can demonstrate need to do so.
- **Impose state licensure regime on pain management facilities (HB 4404):** To impose a state licensing regime on pain management facilities.
- **Repeal a school hiring preference mandate (HB 4166):** To repeal a law that requires Intermediate School District special education programs to give preference in hiring to individuals who worked for a regular school district's special education program, or one run by a state agency.
- **Authorize Flint "promise zone" tax increment financing (SB 98):** A bill to expand the number of tax increment financing zones in the "promise zone" program. These are geographic areas that are allowed to "capture" a portion of any increases in the state portion of school property tax revenue, and use the money to partially subsidize college tuition for local students.

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100%	Sue Allor	106	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
100%	Gary Glenn	98	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
100%	Michele Hoitenga	102	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
100%	Steven Johnson	72	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
100%	Tim Kelly	94	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	X	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
100%	John Reilly	46	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
94%	Tom Barrett	71	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
94%	Pamela Hornberger	32	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
94%	Jim Runestad	44	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
94%	Lana Theis	42	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
88%	Julie Alexander	64	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
88%	Jeff Noble	20	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
82%	John Bizon	62	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Lee Chatfield	107	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Triston Cole	105	R	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Laura Cox	19	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Gary Howell	82	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Tom Leonard	93	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	James Lower	70	R	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Aaron Miller	59	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Jim Tedder	43	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
82%	Jason Wentworth	97	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Thomas Albert	86	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Diana Farrington	30	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Joseph Graves	51	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Kim LaSata	79	R	✔	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Dan Lauwers	81	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Daire Rendon	103	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
76%	Mary Whiteford	80	R	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
75%	Eric Leutheuser	58	R	✔	NV	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Tommy Brann	77	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Julie Calley	87	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Edward Canfield	84	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Ben Frederick	85	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Beth Griffin	66	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Roger Hauck	99	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Brandt Iden	61	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Bronna Kahle	57	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Klint Kesto	39	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Beau LaFave	108	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Steve Marino	24	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Curt VanderWall	101	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Hank Vaupel	47	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Rob VerHeulen	74	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Roger Victory	88	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
71%	Michael Webber	45	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x
65%	Chris Afendoulis	73	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Joseph Bellino Jr.	17	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Kathy Crawford	38	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Daniela Garcia	90	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Holly Hughes	91	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Jim Lilly	89	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Peter Lucido	36	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Jason Sheppard	56	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Scott VanSingel	100	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
65%	Jeff Yaroch	33	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
59%	Martin Howrylak	41	R	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x
59%	Larry Inman	104	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x
59%	Michael McCready	40	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x
59%	Brett Roberts	65	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x
57%	David Maturen	63	R	✔	x	x	x	NV	✔	X	X	✔	✔	x	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x
41%	David Pagel	78	R	✔	x	x	x	✔	✔	✔	✔	x	✔	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x
35%	Rose Mary Robinson	4	D	x	✔	✔	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	✔
24%	Darrin Camilleri	23	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x
24%	Abdullah Hammoud	15	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x
24%	Sylvia Santana	9	D	x	✔	✔	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
20%	LaTanya Garrett	7	D	x	✔	✔	x	NV	NV	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
19%	Tim Greimel	29	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	NV	x	x	x	x	x
19%	Kevin Hertel	18	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	NV	x	x	x
18%	Winnie Brinks	76	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Stephanie Chang	6	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Scott Dianda	110	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Pam Faris	48	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Erikca Geiss	12	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Christine Greig	37	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Vanessa Guerra	95	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Jon Hoadley	60	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Robert Kosowski	16	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Donna Lasinski	52	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Frank Liberati	13	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Phil Phelps	49	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Yousef Rabhi	53	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Robert Wittenberg	27	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18%	Adam Zemke	55	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
14%	Jewell Jones	11	D	x	NV	x	NV	x	NV	x	x	✔	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
13%	Bettie Cook Scott	2	D	x	✔	x	x	x	NV	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
13%	Jim Ellison	26	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	NV
12%	Wendell Byrd	3	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	John Chirkun	22	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Cara Clemente	14	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Tom Cochran	67	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Fred Durhal, III	5	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Brian Elder	96	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Sherry Gay-Dagnogo	8	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Patrick Green	28	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Leslie Love	10	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Jeremy Moss	35	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Sheldon Neeley	34	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Kristy Pagan	21	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Ronnie Peterson	54	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Terry Sabo	92	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Sam Singh	69	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Tim Sneller	50	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	William Sowerby	31	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
12%	Henry Yanez	25	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
6%	David LaGrand	75	D	x	✔	x	x	x	✔	x	x	x	NV	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
no score*	Sarah Cambensy	109	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
no score*	Tenisha Yancey	1	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

KEY
- NV — no vote
- x — voted against the AFP position
- - — no possible vote
- ✔ — voted in line with the AFP position

*Possible votes fewer than half of votes scored; therefore, no score assigned.
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