



Michigan Justice Advocacy

**Townhall Update
11-Dec-2022**



MJA Dec. 11, 2022 Townhall Agenda

Welcome, Holiday greetings

- MJA Organization Introduction/background
- Remembering Danny Jones

Looking Back

- History Slides
- Legislative accomplishments (SB649 GT Introduction, other bills)
- April 27 Lunch & Learn
- Election Results – New Session Schedule

Looking Forward

- Meetings with Lawmakers
- Lunch & Learn (Focus on Re-entry and Fair Chance Hiring, Feb. 16, 2023)
- Bill sponsors for re-introduction
- Campaign to push the bills forward

NOTE: This meeting is being recorded

MJA – Who Are We?



We are a ~~newly formed~~ 501(c)(4) non-profit organization in the State of Michigan

MISSION



Advocate for legislative changes in the area of Criminal Justice Reform via direct and grassroots lobbying

INITIATIVE



See some form of Good Time credit system return to law by creating or driving legislation that is agreeable and addresses everyone's concerns

HOW



Network, develop partnerships and build a coalition with willing stakeholders

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Remembering Daniel “Danny” Jones

On the evening of Nov. 19th, 2022 the criminal justice reform community lost a friend and fighter for change. Daniel "Danny" Jones was shot and killed while sitting in a car at a gas station in Detroit. Police do not yet have any suspects or motive for this senseless action. Friends and family gathered to remember Danny on Saturday, Nov. 26th

Danny was for us at MJA the face of MI-CEMI. When MJA first started operating in 2020 we met with Danny in his role w/MI-CEMI and learned of his recent release from prison as a former juvenile lifer. Danny was warm and welcoming and happy to have more people in the fight for justice. His enthusiasm and excitement was encouraging and inspiring. You could hear in his voice the passion & gratitude for being given a second chance and we knew he was the real deal. Genuinely happy to be free and eager to stand up for others, we would cross paths with him at various events around the state as he showed up and fought for fairness and justice in the criminal legal system.

MJA will miss seeing Danny at future rallies and events around Michigan and we will miss his gentle & helpful spirit



Danny with MJA VP, Jessica Siminski in Lansing

MJA Short History

- Initial Plan
 - Contact every state senator (38) and every representative in the house (110)
- Outreach (to date)
 - Reached out to every lawmaker's office
 - Met w/29 Senators or their office
 - Met w/98 Representatives or their office
 - Reached out to every prosecutor's office (83 counties)
 - Met w/4 Prosecutors
 - Reached out to every sheriff's office
 - Met w/7 Sheriffs or their office
 - More than 200 interns have worked with MJA
 - Email newsletter to nearly 12,000 subscribers
 - JPay updates to ~700 incarcerated citizens
 - Over 2000+ followers on social media outlets
- Draft Bill
 - Secured pro bono legal support
 - Michigan based Clancy Advisors
 - Global law firm White & Case (NYC Based)
- Draft Bill complete end of April, 2021

The Drafting of The Good Time Bill Language

- Draft Bill
 - Written in plain English
 - Easy to read and understand
 - Policy points laid out clearly
- MJA presentation with attorney Saura Sahu & researcher Dr. Anne Maher (Safe & Just Michigan)
- YouTube Presentation => <https://youtu.be/pgKGEbc4S9I>



30 Day Credit for
30 Days Served



All sentences with
numbers will receive a
reduction to Minimums
& Maximums sentence
lengths



No credit earned for
Month that an
Individual receives a
Class I Misconduct



Retroactive for all
currently serving and
future incarcerated
individuals

Original Language of Bill Submitted to Sen. Irwin

PROPOSAL FOR NEW BILL MODIFYING MCL § 800.33

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, for each month in which a prisoner has not been found guilty of major misconduct, the prisoner must receive good time credit. In the absence of records of behavior, a prisoner must receive good time credit for each month as to which the Department of Corrections lacks a record that it found the prisoner guilty of major misconduct during that month.

(2) Under the corrections code, 1953 PA 232:

(a) A “month” means a calendar month.

(b) “Good time credit” means a reduction of 30 days from a prisoner’s sentence. Subject to subsection (7), good time credit must be deducted from a prisoner’s minimum and maximum sentence in order to determine his or her parole eligibility date and discharge date.

(c) “Major misconduct” means any:

- i. Act of assault and battery
- ii. Assault resulting in serious physical injury
- iii. Escape
- iv. Failure to disperse
- v. Felony
- vi. Fighting
- vii. Homicide
- viii. Incite to riot or strike; rioting or striking
- ix. Possession of dangerous contraband
- x. Possession of a weapon
- xi. Sexual assault
- xii. Sexual misconduct
- xiii. Smuggling
- xiv. Substance abuse
- i.xv. Threatening behavior,

(3) A record of all major misconduct charges of which a prisoner has been found guilty must be maintained and given to the parole board as part of the parole eligibility report prepared for each prisoner under section 35 of 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.235.

(4) This section 33 applies to all prisoners under the jurisdiction of the Michigan Department of Corrections and applies retroactively with respect to any prisoner under the jurisdiction of the Michigan Department of Corrections as of [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE]. For each prisoner to whom this section 33 applies retroactively:

(a) Within two years of [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE], the Department of Corrections must recalculate such prisoner’s parole eligibility date and discharge date.

(b) If the prisoner earned good time credit or disciplinary credit under a prior Michigan law, all such credit must be treated as conclusive evidence that the prisoner did not engage in major misconduct during the respective time period for which credit had been granted.

(5) A prisoner must not earn good time under this section during any month in which the prisoner is found guilty of having committed a major misconduct. The amount of good time not earned as a result of being found guilty of a major misconduct must be limited to the amount of good time that would have been earned during the month in which the major misconduct occurred. Any good time not earned as a result of the prisoner being found guilty of a major misconduct must never be restored.

(6) A prisoner who is serving sentences concurrently accrues good time credit respectively and concurrently on each sentence. A prisoner who is serving consecutive sentences accrues good time credit on each respective sentence in consecutive order.

(7) This section must not be construed to allow good time credit in cases of commuted sentences unless so stipulated in the executive order commuting the sentence.

(8) The Department of Corrections must promulgate regulations implementing this statute within ninety (90) days of [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE]. For a period of two (2) years after [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE], the actions identified as major misconduct in subsection (3)(b) must be interpreted to have the definitions set forth for “Class I Misconduct” in Attachment A to Department of Corrections Policy Directive 03.03.105 effective as of July 1, 2018.

(9) For any period in which the Department of Corrections found the prisoner guilty of any form of misconduct, the prisoner must receive good time credit unless the Department of Corrections reviews the misconduct and determines that the misconduct meets the statutory definition of major misconduct. All such determinations are subject to de novo review.

(10) When interpreting this section 33, and in addition to other rights granted by the federal and state constitutions:

(a) Nothing herein can be construed to extend the parole eligibility date or discharge date of any prisoner beyond their parole eligibility date or discharge date as of [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE].

(b) In case of any ambiguity, this section must be construed in favor of granting good time credit to the prisoner.

(11) All references to “disciplinary credit” or “disciplinary time” in the Michigan Compiled Laws are hereby stricken.

Two Pages!!

Legislative Services Bureau (LSB) Language of Bill

SENATE BILL NO. 649

September 22, 2021. Introduced by Senators IRWIN, POLEHANKI, WOJNO, CHANG, SANTANA and GEISS and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

A bill to amend 1093 PA 110, entitled

"An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to state prisons, to state houses of correction, and branches of state prisons and reformatories, and the government and discipline thereof and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith,"

by amending section 33 (MCL 800.33), as amended by 1999 PA 148; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 33. (1) A record of all major misconduct charges for
2 which a prisoner has been found guilty shall ~~must~~ be maintained and
3 given to the parole board as part of the parole eligibility report

1 prepared for each prisoner pursuant to ~~under~~ section 35 of the
2 ~~corrections code of 1953~~, 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.235.

3 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a prisoner
4 who is serving a sentence for a crime committed before April 1,
5 1987, and who has not been found guilty of a major misconduct or
6 had a violation of the laws of this state recorded against him or
7 her shall in a calendar month must receive a reduction from his or
8 her sentence as follows: good time credit for that month equal to
9 the number of days in that month.

10 (a) During the first and second years of his or her sentence,
11 5 days for each month.

12 (b) During the third and fourth years, 6 days for each month.

13 (c) During the fifth and sixth years, 7 days for each month.

14 (d) During the seventh, eighth, and ninth years, 9 days for
15 each month.

16 (e) During the tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, and
17 fourteenth years, 10 days for each month.

18 (f) During the fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth,
19 and nineteenth years, 12 days for each month.

20 (g) From and including the twentieth year, up to and including
21 the period fixed for the expiration of the sentence, 15 days for
22 each month.

23 (3) Except as provided in section 34, all prisoners serving a
24 sentence for a crime that was committed on or after April 1, 1987
25 are eligible to earn disciplinary and special disciplinary credits
26 as provided in subsection (5). Disciplinary credits shall be
27 earned, forfeited, and restored as provided in this section.
28 Accumulated disciplinary credits shall ~~Subject to subsection (7)~~,
29 good time received under subsection (2) must be deducted from a

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LSB Language of Bill, Cont'd.

1 prisoner's minimum and maximum sentence in order to determine his
2 or her parole eligibility date and discharge date.

3 (4) This section shall ~~must~~ not be construed to allow good
4 time, ~~disciplinary credits, or special disciplinary credits~~ **credit**
5 in cases of commuted sentences unless so stipulated in the
6 executive order commuting the sentence.

7 (5) ~~Except as provided in section 34, all prisoners serving a~~
8 ~~sentence on December 30, 1982, or incarcerated after December 30,~~
9 ~~1982, for the conviction of a crime enumerated in section 33b(a)~~
10 ~~to(c) of 1963 PA 232, MCL 791.233b, are eligible to earn a~~
11 ~~disciplinary credit of 5 days per month for each month served after~~
12 ~~December 30, 1982. Accumulated disciplinary credits shall be~~
13 ~~deducted from a prisoner's minimum and maximum sentence in order to~~
14 ~~determine his or her parole eligibility dates.~~

15 A prisoner shall not earn disciplinary credits under this
16 subsection during any month in which the prisoner is found guilty
17 of having committed a major misconduct. The amount of disciplinary
18 credits not earned as a result of being found guilty of a major
19 misconduct shall be limited to the disciplinary credits that would
20 have been earned for the month in which the major misconduct
21 occurred. Any disciplinary credits not earned as a result of the
22 prisoner being found guilty of a major misconduct shall never be
23 earned or restored. The warden may order that a prisoner found
24 guilty of a major misconduct, including but not limited to charges
25 of rioting, inciting to riot, escape, homicide, or assault and
26 battery, forfeit all or a portion of the disciplinary credits
27 accumulated prior to the month in which the misconduct occurred. An
28 order forfeiting accumulated disciplinary credits shall be based
29 upon a review of the prisoner's institutional record.

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1 ~~The disciplinary credit committee, which is comprised of the~~
2 ~~prisoner's resident unit manager, custody officers in the resident~~
3 ~~unit with direct supervisory responsibilities over the prisoner,~~
4 ~~and the appropriate work or school assignment supervisor, shall be~~
5 ~~a part of the reclassification process and shall review, at least~~
6 ~~annually, the status of each prisoner in the housing unit who has~~
7 ~~forfeited disciplinary credits. The committee may recommend to the~~
8 ~~warden whether any forfeited disciplinary credits should be~~
9 ~~restored to the prisoner.~~

10 ~~In addition to disciplinary credits, a prisoner eligible for~~
11 ~~disciplinary credits under this subsection may be awarded 2 days~~
12 ~~per month special disciplinary credits for good institutional~~
13 ~~conduct on the recommendation of the disciplinary credit committee~~
14 ~~and the concurrence of the warden based on an annual review of the~~
15 ~~prisoner's institutional record. Special disciplinary credits shall~~
16 ~~not be awarded for any month in which a prisoner has been found~~
17 ~~guilty of a major misconduct.~~

18 ~~The department of corrections shall promulgate rules pursuant~~
19 ~~to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL~~
20 ~~24.201 to 24.328, necessary to implement this subsection not more~~
21 ~~than 180 days after December 30, 1982.~~

22 (5) (6) ~~On and after April 1, 1987, a~~ **A** prisoner shall ~~must~~
23 not earn good time under this section during any month in which the
24 prisoner is found guilty of having committed a major misconduct.
25 The amount of good time not earned as a result of being found
26 guilty of a major misconduct shall ~~must~~ be limited to the amount of
27 good time that would have been earned during the month in which the
28 major misconduct occurred. Any good time not earned as a result of
29 the prisoner being found guilty of a major misconduct shall ~~must~~

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1 never be earned or restored. A prisoner must be granted good time
2 **credit** under subsection (2) unless the prisoner's record under
3 subsection (1) indicates the prisoner was found guilty of a major
4 **misconduct** in that month.

5 (7) The department of corrections shall promulgate rules
6 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
7 MCL 24.201 to 24.328, prescribing how much of his or her
8 accumulated good time or accumulated disciplinary credits the
9 prisoner may forfeit if found guilty of 1 or more major
10 **misconducts**.

11 (8) The warden may order that a prisoner found guilty of a
12 major misconduct forfeit all or a portion of the good time
13 accumulated prior to the month in which the misconduct occurred.

14 (9) The good time committee, which is comprised of the
15 prisoner's resident unit manager, custody officer in the resident
16 unit with direct supervisory responsibility over the prisoner, and
17 the appropriate work or school assignment supervisor, shall be part
18 of the reclassification process. The good time committee shall
19 recommend to the warden the amount of special good time to be
20 awarded and the restoration of any accumulated good time that has
21 been forfeited.

22 (10) The warden, as a reward for good conduct, may restore to
23 a prisoner the whole or any portion of the good time or
24 disciplinary credits forfeited because of a finding of guilty for a
25 major misconduct. However, forfeited good time or disciplinary
26 credits shall not be restored without the recommendation of the
27 disciplinary credit committee or good time committee and the prior
28 written approval of the deputy director in charge of the bureau of
29 correctional facilities or the deputy director in charge of the

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SB649 Tie-Barred w/SB650, SB651 & SB652

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~~bureau of field services. Disciplinary credits or good time allowances that have not been earned because of institutional misconduct shall not be restored.~~

(6) ~~(11)~~ A prisoner who has been sentenced concurrently for separate convictions ~~shall~~ **must** have his or her good time ~~or disciplinary credits~~ computed on the basis of the longest of the concurrent sentences. If a prisoner is serving consecutive sentences for separate convictions, his or her good time ~~or disciplinary credits~~ **shall** ~~shall~~ **must** be computed and accumulated on each sentence individually, ~~and all good time or disciplinary credits that have been earned on any of the sentences shall be subject to forfeiture pursuant to subsections (5) and (8).~~

(12) The warden of an institution may grant special good time allowances to eligible prisoners who are convicted of a crime that is committed before April 1, 1987. Special good time credit shall ~~not exceed 50% of the good time allowances under the schedule in subsection (2). Special good time shall be awarded for good conduct only and shall not be awarded for any month in which a prisoner has been found guilty of a major misconduct.~~

~~(13) The parole board shall be exclusively empowered to cause the forfeiture of good time or disciplinary credits earned by a prisoner at the time of a parole violation.~~

~~(14) A prisoner subject to disciplinary time is not eligible for good time, special good time, disciplinary credits, or special disciplinary credits.~~

(15) The court may order the reduction or forfeiture of 1 or more of the following credits pursuant to section 5513 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.5513:

~~(a) Good time-~~

Retroactively applied

Tie-bar

A device to condition the effectiveness of legislation on the enactment or passage of other specified legislation.

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~~(b) Disciplinary-~~

~~(c) Special disciplinary-~~

(7) Subject to this subsection, the department of corrections shall recalculate the parole eligibility date and discharge date for each prisoner serving a sentence on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection who is eligible for good time credits under subsection (2) as a result of the amendatory act that added this subsection. The parole eligibility date for a prisoner who earns good time credits under subsection (2) must not be recalculated to a date before the prisoner has served 1/2 of his or her minimum sentence.

Enacting section 1. Sections 34 and 35 of 1893 PA 118, MCL 800.34 and 800.35, are repealed.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless **Senate Bill No. 650** of the 101st Legislature is enacted into law.

SB650 – Last Paragraph

Enacting section 1. Sections 33b and 33c of the corrections code of 1953, 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.233b and 791.233c, are repealed.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless **Senate Bill No. 649** of the 101st Legislature is enacted into law.

Sept. 23, 2021 - Senator Irwin Introduces SB649

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Good Time Makes Good Sense: Sen. Irwin Proposes “Good Time Credit” for Inmates

LANSING, Mich. (Sept. 23, 2021) — Sen. **Jeff Irwin** (D-Ann Arbor) introduced Senate Bills 649-652 restoring Michigan’s “Good Time” and “Earned Time” systems. This set of four bills will improve safety inside prisons and save millions of dollars by allowing incarcerated individuals to earn credits toward their release through good behavior.

Until 1978, Michigan had a good time credit system that allowed a person to receive up to 15 days of credit per month for good behavior and completing programs that make the person more likely to be successful upon release. In 1982, in response to an increasing prison population and state corrections spending, the legislature implemented an earned time system. This system was then eliminated by the 1998 Truth in Sentencing Act that requires inmates to serve every day of their minimum sentence.

“The push for ‘Tough on Crime’ policies did nothing to reduce crime. It ruined entire communities, packed our jails and created a runaway prison industrial complex,” said Sen. Jeff Irwin, “Restoring these policies would go a long way to making prisons safer while reducing state spending, incarceration times and our prison population.”

This legislation amends Michigan’s Prison and Corrections Codes restoring Michigan’s good time credits. It requires that incarcerated individuals earn good time credit on a monthly basis for demonstrating positive behavior and a likelihood of success upon release. If an individual committed misconduct that month, their good time credit can be revoked.

Michigan is [one of just six](#) states without a statewide Good Time or Earned Time policy for incarcerated individuals. [Nearly 1-in-4](#) Michigan prisoners have served more than 10 years as sentence lengths have [increased by 60-percent](#) since 2005. Out of fifty states, Michigan has the [tenth largest prison population](#), the [22nd highest incarceration rate](#) and spends the [sixth most](#) on corrections. Several studies of the public safety and cost-benefits resulting from credit systems have shown that they not only save states millions of dollars by reducing prison populations they also reduce recidivism rates, [one such study](#) showed that New York saved \$369 million over a nine-year period by allowing 24,000 people to reduce their sentences by six months.

“Allowing a person to earn a reduced sentence by bettering themselves so they can re-enter society successfully is good for everyone. It reduces recidivism, reduces crime and allows people to rebuild their lives,” Sen. Irwin said, “Good time makes good sense.”

Good Time Introduction

Bill #	HB4489			HB4670			SB649		
Introduced	Status		Introduced	Status		Introduced	Status		
3/10/2021	House Judiciary Committee		4/21/2021	Rules & Competitiveness		9/22/2021	Senate Judiciary & Public Safety		
Lead Sponsor	Affiliation	District	Lead Sponsor	Affiliation	District	Lead Sponsor	Affiliation	District	
Kyra Harris Bolden	D	35	Bronna Kahle	R	57	Jeff Irwin	D	18	
Co-Sponsors			Co-Sponsors			Co-Sponsors			
Abdullah Hammoud	D	15	Bradley Slagh	R	90	Dayna Polehanki	D	7	
Abraham Aiyash	D	4	Bryan Posthumus	R	73	Paul Wojno	D	9	
Amos O'Neal	D	95	Tyrone Carter	D	6	Stephanie Chang	D	1	
Brenda Carter	D	29	Julie Calley	R	87	Sylvia Santana	D	3	
Darrin Camilleri	D	23				Erika Geiss	D	6	
David LaGrand	D	75				Curtis Hertel	D	23	
Felicia Brabec	D	55				Jeremy Moss	D	11	
Helena Scott	D	7				Rosemary Bayer	D	12	
Jewell Jones	D	11				Betty Jean Alexander	D		
Jim Ellison	D	26							
Jim Haadsma	D	62							
Julie Brixie	D	69							
Julie Rogers	D	60							
Kara Hope	D	67							
Kelly Breen	D	38							
Kevin Hertel	D	18							
Mari Manoogian	D	40							
Padma Kuppa	D	41							
Rachel Hood	D	76							
Regina Weiss	D	27							
Ronnie Peterson	D	54							
Samantha Steckloff	D	37							
Sarah Anthony	D	68							
Shri Thanedar	D	3							
Tenisha Yancey	D	1							
Terry Sabo	D	92							
Tyrone Carter	D	6							
Total	28		5			10			


Previous Years	Bill #	Sponsors
2020	SB1242	1
2018	HB5666	2
2009	HB4498	1



Sentencing Credit Bill Comparison

Bill #	HB4489	HB4670	SB649
Name	Disciplinary Credits	Productivity Credits	Good Time Credits
Eligibility	All except Life	Limited => Murder, Sex Offense & Human Trafficking excluded	All except Life
Retroactive	No	No	Yes
Amount of Credit	Complicated Year 1 & 2 = 5 Days Year 3 & 4 = 6 Days Year 5 & 6 = 7 Days Year 7, 8 & 9 = 9 Days Year 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 = 10 Days Year 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 = 12 Days Year 20 & beyond = 15 Days	Complicated 120 Days for diploma program 90 Days for non-diploma program Up to 20 Days/month for MDOC program Capped at 20% of sentence or 2 years	Simple 30 Days/month

April 27th 2022 Legislative Lunch & Learn



**Michigan
Justice
Advocacy**
Lunch & Learn

April 27th 12-1pm in the Mackinac Room
Special thanks to Safe & Just Michigan, and Saites Bro. for providing lunch

MJA invites you to learn more about Sentencing Credits in Michigan prisons from 3 guest speakers!

Sophie Ordway, legal research analyst at Detroit Justice Center, will start with a presentation outlining the history of Truth In Sentencing and Credits in the state of MI.

Joe Haveman will speak on his history as a lawmaker and the political landscape in Michigan that has led to his belief that the restoration of credits are beneficial for MI and why now is an appropriate time for such changes.

Sheri Ray former IN, NC and Federal Corrections Officer, will join us from LEAP to speak on credits and the implementation in other states' correctional systems.

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/368Jvjl>

- Purpose
 - Educate Lawmakers on the history of Truth In Sentencing (TIS)
 - Explain why a Good Time policy is needed after two decades of TIS
- Speakers
 - Sophie Ordway – Legal Research Analyst
 - Joe Haveman – Former Michigan lawmaker
 - Sheri Ray – Former corrections officer from IN
- Full presentation available on MJA YouTube
 - <https://youtu.be/pWjYUer5IE0>





Looking Forward

Nov. 8th 2022 Election Results And The Future



SB649 List of Sponsors & Nov. 8, 2022 Election Status



Lead Sponsor
Senator Jeff Irwin (D)
District 18 => 15
✓ Won Election



Senator Stephanie Chang (D)
District 1 => 3
✓ Won Election



Senator Erika Geiss (D)
District 6 => 1
✓ Won Election



Senator Sylvia Santana, (D)
District 3 => 2
✓ Won Election



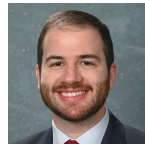
Senator Curtis Hertel Jr. (D)
District 23



Dayna Polehanki (D)
District 7 => 5
✓ Won Election



Paul Wojno (D)
District 9 => 10
✓ Won Election



Jeremy Moss (D)
District 11 => 7
✓ Won Election



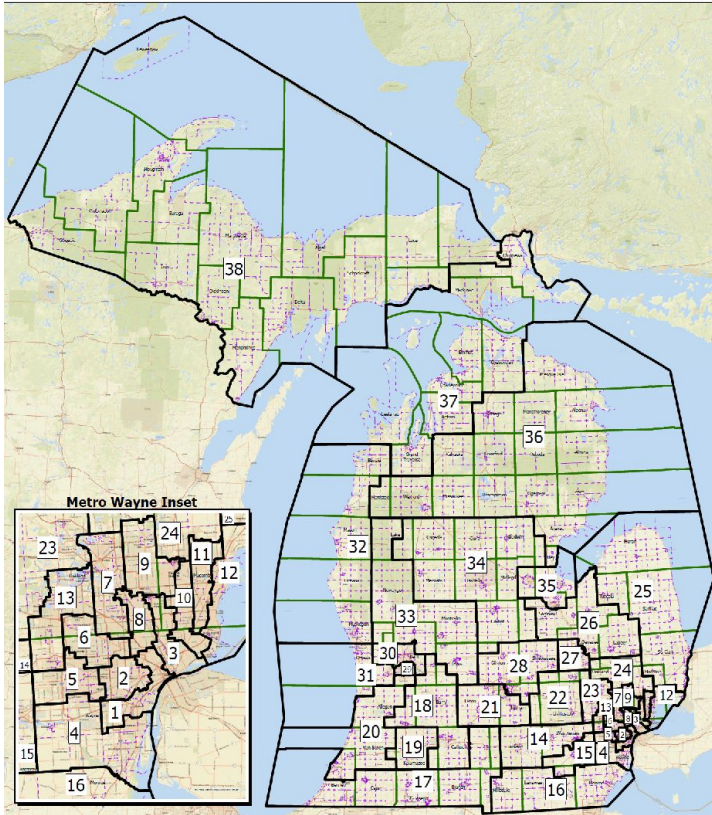
Rosemary Bayer (D)
District 12 => 13
✓ Won Election



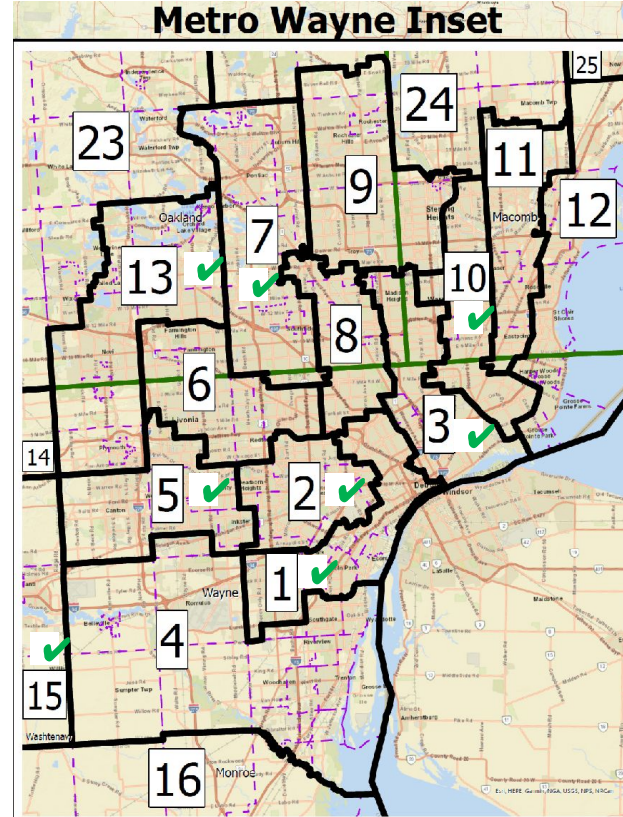
Betty Jean Alexander (D)
District 5

New District Maps – Support is All From S.E. Michigan

2022 Michigan State Senate Districts (Linden)



Metro Wayne Inset





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Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Thursdays, 8:30 AM
Harry T. Gast Appropriations Room
3rd Floor, Capitol Building
100 S. Capitol Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

Judiciary and Public Safety

Welcome to the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee web page. I welcome citizens to contact me or other committee members regarding bills or proposals our committee is addressing. Individuals needing special accommodations to participate in a committee meeting may contact my Committee Clerk to request the necessary assistance.

If for any reason you believe the information on this website is incomplete or incorrect, please contact [Jackie Mosher](#) at 517-373-5312.

Meeting Documents for

Written Testimony

Document	Person/Organization	Bills for Testimony	Subject	Pro/Con/Neutral
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**Announced Chairperson for 2023-2024
Senate Judiciary Committee**

Co-Sponsor of SB649
Introduced SB649

Discuss House Judiciary Committee Makeup

Judiciary

Tuesday, 9:00 AM, Room 519, House
Office Building, Lansing, MI

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(R) Graham Filler (C)

(R) Mike Mueller (Maj. VC)

(R) **Steven Johnson**

(R) Bronna Kahle

(R) Daire Rendon

(R) Ryan Berman

(R) Douglas Wozniak

(R) TC Clements

(D) David LaGrand (Min. VC)

(D) Tenisha Yancey

(D) Kyra Bolden

(D) Kara Hope

(D) Kelly Breen

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Proverbs 29:7a "The righteous care about justice for the poor ..."