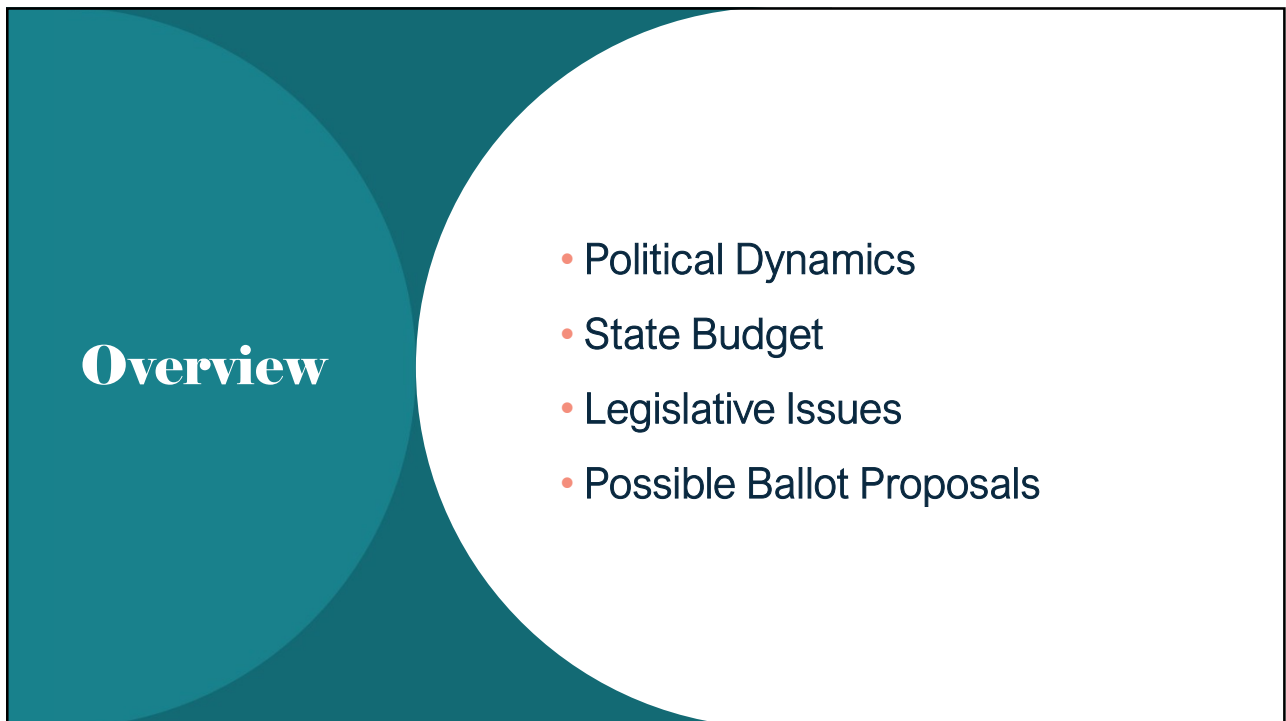




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Political Dynamics

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103rd Legislature

- House – 58 Republicans / 52 Democrats
- Senate - 19 Democrats / 18 Republicans
 - 35th District - Special May 5

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2026 Election Year

Federal:	U.S. Senate - 1
	U.S. House - 13
Statewide Offices:	Governor
	Attorney General
	Secretary of State
Michigan Legislature:	House – 110 Seats
	Senate – 38 Seats

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103rd Legislature Public Acts Legislature

74 Public Acts

7 Public Acts to
date

2025

2026

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 2025 Public Acts			
The following is a compilation of public acts enacted into law in 2025 that may impact townships as well as those bills vetoed.			
Public Act (Links to Enrolled HB/SB information)	Category	Synopsis	Effective Date
PA 1	Minimum Wage	Modifies the hourly wage rate.	Effective Feb. 21, 2025
PA 2	Earned Sick Benefits	Modifies requirements for employers to provide earned sick time.	Effective Feb. 21, 2025
PA 13	Marketable Title	Revises marketable title act to change various requirements and procedures related to recording marketable title to an interest in land.	Effective Sep. 29, 2025
PA 14	Appropriations	Provides appropriations for state budget for October 1 to 6, 2025.	Effective Oct. 1, 2025
PA 16	Transportation Funding	Creates the Neighborhood Roads Fund and the Infrastructure Projects Authority Fund and prescribes the distribution of money from each fund.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 17 & 19	Sales & Use Tax	Amends the General Sales Tax Act and the Use Tax Act to exempt, beginning January 1, 2026, the sale of eligible fuel from the sales tax and the storage, use, or consumption of eligible fuel from the use tax.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 20	Motor Fuel Tax	Increases the tax levied on motor fuel from 31 cents per gallon to at least 51 cents per gallon beginning January 1, 2026.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 21	Natural Resources Trust Fund	Provides funding for projects through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for land acquisition projects and development projects.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 22	Appropriations	Provides appropriations for the state budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 and supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2024-2025.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 23	Marijuana	Creates a 24 percent excise tax on certain wholesale sales or transfers of marijuana and directs the revenue to the Neighborhood Roads Fund.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 27	Personal Property Tax	Requires the unused funds to reimburse municipalities for certain revenue lost due to the small business property tax exemption lapse to the general fund.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 29	Water Certification Fees	Extends the sunset (expiration date) to Oct. 1, 2029, for provisions that authorize the Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy to charge fees for training and certification programs for individuals to become certified operators of a public water supply.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 30	Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA)	Extends the sunset (expiration date) to Oct. 1, 2029, for provisions that authorize the Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy to charge fees authorized under NREPA for hazardous waste user charges, land and water permit fees, operator training and certification fees, surface water discharge fees and stormwater discharge fees.	Effective Oct. 7, 2025
PA 32 & 33	Enhancements Grants	Prescribes the public disclosure requirements for legislatively directed spending items (referred to as "earmarks") in the budget process.	Effective Jan. 1, 2026

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Holdover from 102nd Session

- 9 bills not presented to Governor in 2023-24 Term
 - Litigation - MI Supreme Court
- HB 6058 – Amends PA 152
 - Publicly Funded Health Insurance
 - Require local governments, school districts to pay a greater share of employees' health insurance premiums

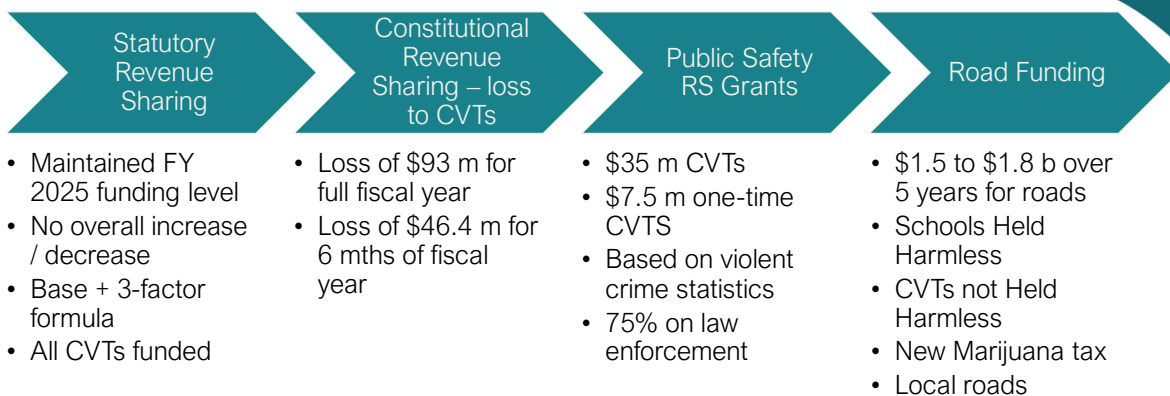
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State Budget

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FY 2025-2026 Budget – Current Year:

Statutory RS + Constitutional RS + Public Safety RS ?+ Road Funding =



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FY 2026 New Grant Programs

- Public Safety Revenue Sharing Grant Program
 - CVTs - \$35 m annual + \$7.5 m one-time
 - Restricted to public safety uses (75% law enforcement)
 - One payment – April 2026
- Fire Equipment / Gear Grants - \$8 m
 - \$4 m on-call, part time or volunteer departments
 - Applications / Deadlines

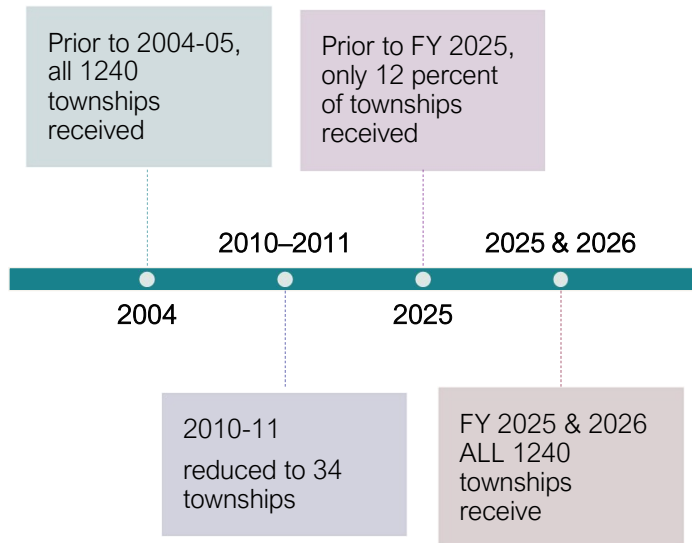
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FY 2027 Executive Budget Highlights

- \$88.1 billion
 - *\$1.8 billion gap to address*
- Proposal to address gap
 - \$630 m reductions, efficiencies
 - \$400 m from state's rainy-day fund
 - \$780 m new revenue
- Constitutional Revenue Sharing - \$1.045 b
- Statutory Revenue Sharing – maintain FY 26
- Public Safety Rev. Sharing Grants - \$35.1 m

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Statutory (CVT) Revenue Sharing



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Legislative Directed Spending Items

- What is a LDSI?
- Public Act 33 of 2025 requires presentation at a hearing of the chamber in which it is proposed
- Legislators submit requests at least 45 days before a budget vote
- Requests must include the sponsor, recipient, amount, purpose and conflict-of-interest certification
- Recipients must generally be local units of government or nonprofits

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Legislative Issues

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Property Taxes

Governor's Proposal

- Relief for homeowners 65 Years+
- 10% property tax cut for 335,000
- Expands Homestead Property Tax Credit
- \$90 m estimated impact to General Fund

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Property Taxes

Senate Proposal

(Senators Anthony & Hoitenga)

- Modifies Homestead Property Tax Credit
- Increases accessibility - 500,000 residents
- Raises maximum allowable annual credit
- Increases % of rent to 25%
- \$300 m impact to General Fund
- Lowers property tax threshold to 3% of household income
- SBs 344-345

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Property Taxes

Speaker's Proposal

- Estimated \$4.9 b in property tax cuts
- Raises estimated \$4.73 b new revenue
- Expands sales tax base – adds new items
- Eliminates: 6-mill SET, all personal property taxes, pop-up on homes sales & state real estate transfer tax
- Mandates minimum rollback of \$1 b in utility rates

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Housing Reform – Preemption

Lot Size Minimum - HBs 5529-5530

- Prohibits minimum parcel size greater than 1,500 sq feet for single-family dwelling if accessible / served by *public* water & sewer

Site Plan Requirements - HB 5531

- Creates a 60-day shot clock after receipt of *any* plan to review
- Limits ability for additional studies to be required for same application

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Housing Reform – Preemption

Minimum Dwelling Size – HB 5581

- Prohibits a minimum are greater than 500 sq feet for a dwelling

Duplex by Right – HB 5584

- Creates statewide definition of a duplex and mandates a duplex be a permitted use in any district where a single-family residence is permitted and not be subject to any different procedures than single-family residence

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Housing Reform – Preemption

Accessory Dwelling Units – HB 5585

- Creates a statewide definition of accessory dwelling unit (ADU)
- Mandates ADUs be a permitted use of property & not subject to a public hearing
- Prohibits ADUs from being subject to density calculations, additional parking requirements and owner occupancy requirements
- Allows mobile homes in any residential zone

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Housing Reform – Preemption

Parking Requirements – HB 5582

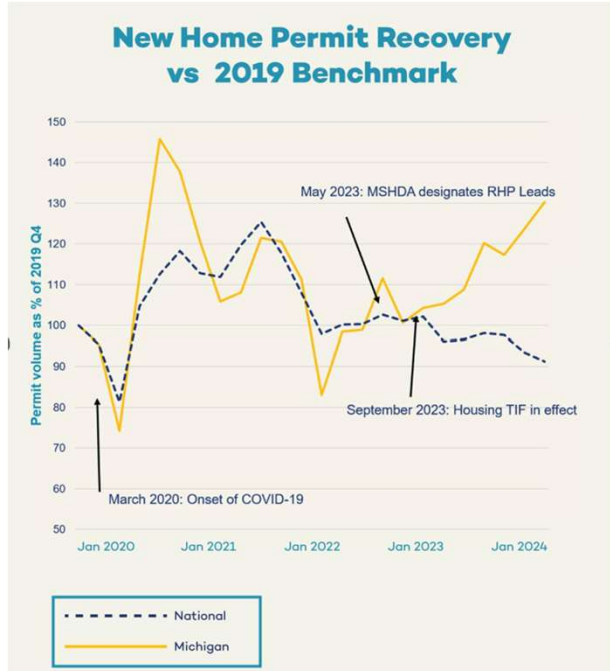
- Mandates not more than 1 space per dwelling for multifamily dwelling
- Allows mobile homes in any residential zone

Minimum Setback Requirements – HB 5583

- Mandates setback requirements at 15 feet or less from front property line or 5 feet from side or rear dwelling / outbuilding if local unit is located in or adjacent to a metropolitan statistical area (MSA)
- Up to 25-foot setback may be allowed from a wetland, inland lake or stream or ordinary high-mark of Great Lakes or Lake St. Clair

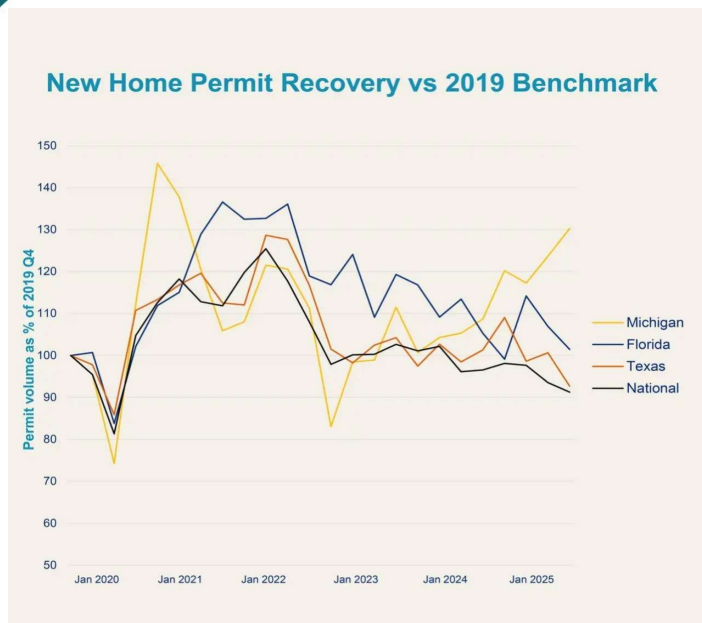
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New Home Permits – MI v National



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New Home Permits – MI v Other States



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We Need Your Help to Protect Local Decision-Making & Community-Led Housing Solutions

- Stand united in opposition to zoning preemption legislation that **would strip locally elected officials of their decision-making authority**, dismiss years of community planning work and amount to a clear override from Lansing on local voices and voter-backed decisions.
- We are asking for your **immediate help** in opposing this proposal.
- **Add your signature today** to the online letter and join our effort to protect local decision-making and oppose this proposal.
- **Local government leaders, both elected and nonelected**, within every Michigan community are encouraged to submit.

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ACT NOW!

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Housing Reform – Partnership

MI Home Program – HBs 5660-5661

- Funding for Housing Readiness Incentive Grants to assist local governments in updating zoning regulations to support housing needs
- Creates a statewide platform to identify housing opportunities and connect the state, local units of government and developers
- Creates grants for builders and developers to assist in building or rehabilitation of qualified residential property - cap of \$100,000 for new construction & \$50,000 for rehab per dwelling units with maximum of not more than 1/3 cost of the construction or rehabilitation

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Housing Reform – Partnership

MI Home Program – HBs 5660-5661

- Creates a revolving loan fund to assist with financing gaps for residential property construction or rehabilitation
- Continues funding for the Employer-Assisted Housing Fund to promote public-private partnerships with state matching employer contributions for workforce housing

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Elections

Primary Date to May – SBs 692-697

- Eliminate August
- February option

Term of Office – SBs 240-243, HBs 4358-4359, 4698-4699

- Modifies date to Dec. 1

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Elections

Millage Proposals – HB 4583

- Require all taxing authorities to place millage proposals on November general election ballot

Clerk Appointment – HB 5717

- Provide new procedure when the township clerk and deputy township clerk are not available to perform certain election related functions

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Employment / Labor

Workers' Comp – SB 161

- Expands eligible individuals
- Expands scope

Minimum Staffing – SB 319, HB 5290

- Police & fire personnel
- Collective bargaining/binding arbitration

Paid Military Leave – HB 5233

- Require 26 paid days for military leave for full-time police & fire personnel

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Energy / Environment

Statewide Sanitary Code
SB 771

Repeal of PA 233
HBs 4027-4028

Drain Code revisions

Wastewater Collection Systems

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Tax

Property Tax Reform – 3 proposals to date

Revenue Sharing Trust Fund – SBs 559-561, HBs 4311-4312

Utility Personal Property – replace with specific tax

Battery Energy Storage Systems - Alternative tax

Postmark – Payment Date – HB 4799

Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemption - expand

Special Assessment Deferment – HBs 4079-4080

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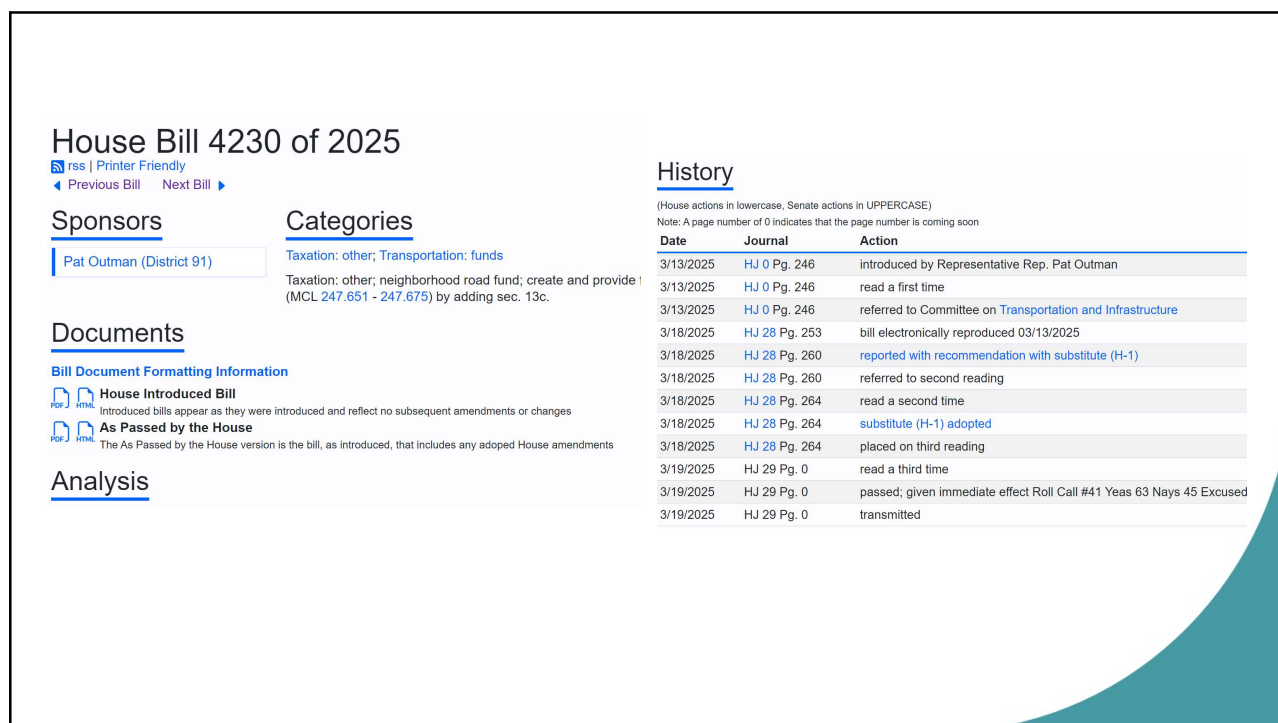
103rd Legislature – Township Priorities

- **Revenue Sharing Trust Fund** - Protect & preserve funding for local units
- **Revenue Sharing** – Maintain / increase funding
- **Property Taxes** – Ensure reform maintains funding for local governments
- **Local Decision-Making** - Support local governments and their residents in determining actions best for their community

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Possible Ballot Proposals

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Potential 2026 Ballot Proposals

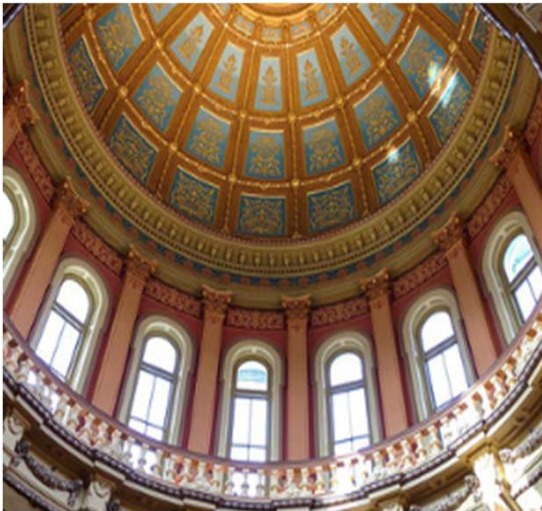
- Constitutional Convention
- AxMITax
- Americans for Citizen Voting
- Michiganders for Money out of Politics
- Voters to Stop Pay Cuts
- Bottle deposit expansion

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Constitutional Amendment

- Prohibit property taxes – real and personal
- Require supermajority vote for tax increase
- *Limited replacement revenue for local gov't for limited purposes only*
 - “essential gov’t services”
 - “essential infrastructure services”
- No replacement for other purposes

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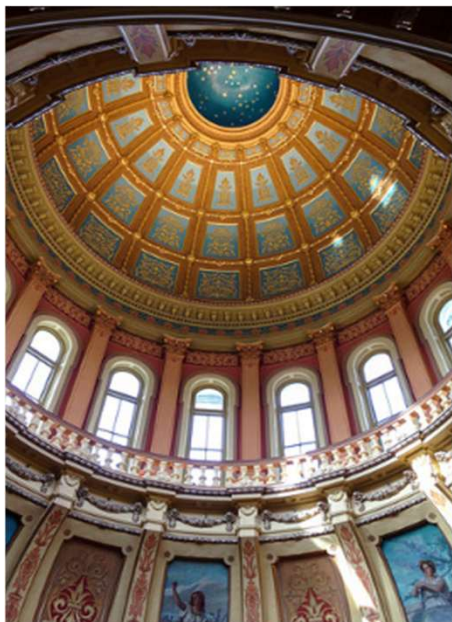
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