

CAPITOL NEWS UPDATE

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FROM THE ASSOCIATE'S DESK

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"Men build too many walls and not enough bridges." - quote attributed to Joseph Fort Newton

In a world where we see base partisan disagreement color almost every single political conversation, the Michigan political community is closely watching Lansing for signs of... well, anything bipartisan, any signs of the House and Senate actively working together, any smoke signals that serious adults are sitting down together to hammer out a compromise state budget.

What did we see in the last weeks? Some good signs, some bad signs...such is life in the political arena. Both chambers are beginning to run each other's policy bills, which is always a step in the right direction. A "fix the roads" rally galvanized massive support and showcased the bipartisan nature of the need for road funding. Speaker Hall and Senate Majority Leader Brinks continue to spar publicly and privately, throwing Lansing's dream of budget kumbaya into chaos.

Ahead of us, an October 1st government shutdown looms large, so let us hope for more bridges and less walls in the coming weeks.

NEWS

CARBON SEQUESTRATION BILLS CLEAR SENATE WITH BIPARTISAN SUPPORT BUT VOCAL OPPOSITION

Senators in bipartisan votes passed legislation on Thursday that would enact state-level carbon sequestration regulations, which supporters touted as having potential environmental and business benefits, while opponents raised public health and energy cost concerns.

Members voted 29-7 in support of SB 394 and SB 396 and voted 31-6 to pass SB 395.

Collectively, the bills would create a regulatory framework and state permitting process. Provisions would also ensure input from landowners and those with mineral rights in project areas. The bills would also require the state to assume responsibility and liability for carbon sequestration sites after they have been completed.

Projects would be required to have a permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy to proceed.

Sen. Thomas Albert, R-Lowell, said he supported the bills because it made sense to have a state-level program, and it could help with enhanced oil recovery in the future.

Speaking on SB 396, he emphasized that his support for the proposal had nothing to do with the state's renewable energy law changes passed last session, which he staunchly opposed.

"I am not against green energy in and of itself, but I am against government mandates, especially when they make energy more costly and unreliable for Michigan residents," Albert said, admitting he had mixed feelings about the bills. "On one hand, the policy itself makes practical sense. On the other hand, looking at the bill in the context of our current energy policies in Michigan, the benefits become more convoluted. The mandates approved recently in Michigan are unworkable."

Sen. Jeff Irwin, D-Ann Arbor, speaking against the bills, called carbon capture an expensive boondoggle.

"It's certain to keep the party going for fossil fuel companies who don't want to reckon with the damage to our health and our climate that their operations are causing," Irwin said.

Irwin said the state should regulate carbon sequestration but should do it in an environmentally responsible way that reduces pollution, not generating more while storing some away.

Sen. Jonathan Lindsey, R-Coldwater, also opposed to the bills, saying he believed the purpose of the bills was to allow companies to cash in on federal tax credits for carbon sequestration, which max out at \$85 per ton.

"I don't think for a minute that we would be standing here debating this legislation today if it weren't for the case that people who are very important, very influential and have a lot of resources on both sides of the political aisle know that if the state of Michigan passes our own version of carbon sequestration regulation, that that allows them a fast-track to tap into federal tax credits," Lindsey said.

Several floor amendments offered for SB 396 were rejected prior to passage, including provisions that would have added more environmental and public health protections, raised the disposal fee and change where revenues collected from fees would be directed.

Sen. Sue Shink, D-Northfield Township, spoke to amendments she and Sen. Rosemary Bayer, D-West Bloomfield, offered to SB 396.

"I also know that carbon capture isn't the perfect technology, and that there are some simple things that we could add to these bills that would make carbon capture work better and also continue to allow it," Shink said. "None of these amendments would prevent carbon capture from happening in Michigan."

Bayer said stronger safeguards are needed if the state is to allow carbon sequestration and that the package as written falls short.

"They just don't have strong enough safeguards for our families, our water and the future of the state," Bayer said. "If we're going to implement carbon capture in Michigan, we need to make sure that it actually works."

She pointed to examples environmental groups noted in committee hearings on the bills concerning leaking infrastructure at carbon sequestration sites that have caused public health issues.

Environmental groups in statements were displeased with the Senate's votes on Thursday.

"These bills put all liability for closed projects on the backs of residents and deny Michiganders full recourse against owners of active sequestration sites," Charlotte Jameson, chief policy officer with the Michigan Environmental Council, said. "It is ironic that in the middle of a state budget crisis, our decision-makers are approving bills that could blow massive holes in future budgets."

Ben Poulson, state government affairs director for the Michigan League of Conservation Voters, said the bills could increase energy costs for residents and pass future costs of sequestration sites on to taxpayers.

"Instead of creating excuses for fossil fuel plants to pollute even more, we should be stopping carbon emissions at the source by expanding cleaner, more affordable renewable energy sources that we know will save ratepayers money," Poulson said.

John Sellek, spokesperson for the Michigan SUCCESS Coalition, which is supportive of the bills, in a statement thanked the Senate for moving the legislation this week.

"Thanks to this bipartisan victory, Michigan no longer has to stand by watching neighboring states protect their air with this high-tech technology while also snagging economic investment and good paying jobs," Sellek said. "We thank the Senate for approving the three-bill package and look forward to House action."

'WE'RE NOT GETTING ANYWHERE': HALL AND BRINKS MEET ON BUDGET; HOUSE GOP DEFENDS SPENDING PLAN

House Speaker Matt Hall and Senate Majority Leader Winnie Brinks met to discuss the state budget on Wednesday.

The meeting went poorly.

"We are not getting anywhere," Hall, R-Richland Township, said at a press conference Wednesday afternoon. "We're not getting anywhere because the Democrats in the Senate do not have a roads plan. I want to see their roads plan. Remember, they said we can't do anything because we've got to see the Republican budget? ... They see our budget. They see our roads plan... We have a state budget, and we don't have a roads plan from the Senate."

Brinks, D-Grand Rapids, shared a similarly frustrated-sounding statement on social media.

"I keep hearing that Speaker Matt Hall is calling me the problem. When you're taking breakfast and lunch from kids to balance your budget, I'm going to have a problem with that. When you gut health care and supports for moms and babies, then yeah, I'm going to be a problem. When you're cutting hundreds of police officers and services for crime victims, you better believe I'm going to cause a problem," she said. "That's his plan. And I pledge to the people of Michigan that I will be a 'problem' until Republicans start putting them first."

Hall said the problem was that the Senate has not passed a road funding plan and has not provided transparency about legislative funding requests.

"The Senate doesn't have a roads plan. The Senate refuses to do transparency in earmarks, and they're trying to spend probably \$6 billion more than we have," he said. "They're very unbalanced, and they're spending more than we have and they have no priorities. So, that makes it a challenge."

Senate Democrats, as recently as Wednesday, have said they can negotiate a road funding plan with the budget without presenting a proposal (see separate story).

The tough decisions should be made on their own before the House and the Senate negotiate, Hall said.

"We've shown them all of our cards," he said.

Hall, along with House Appropriations Chair Rep. Ann Bollin, R-Brighton, and House Appropriations Vice Chair Rep. Matt Maddock, R-Milford, stood behind their budget during the Wednesday press conference, despite criticisms from the Senate and several stakeholder groups in the week since they introduced and passed their proposal.

"We didn't have to gut it to cut it," Bollin said. "We did a very deliberative process: reducing these (full-time employees), pulling money back into our projects. Those are not even painful. Those I wouldn't even call cuts. I would call that really reinvesting in state taxpayer dollars. We need to do that."

Bollin went on to defend the process by which the House introduced and then passed its budget bills.

"We never stated out of the gate that we were going through the traditional process. Yes, we turned things upside down. We turned them inside out. And I'm very proud of the work," she said. "Our subcommittee chairs have been very, very involved in it and really helping us put forth a really good budget that is fiscally responsible. It's structurally balanced, it targets all of the priorities of people across Michigan. We were on a mission for Michigan, and this budget does deliver that."

The House Republican budget includes funding for roads, reduces debt, does not take on more long-term liabilities and makes record investments in per-pupil funding for education, Bollin said, all for about \$7 billion less than the budget proposed by the Senate and the executive office.

Bollin also said that items not included in the House budget are not cuts, but rather one-time funding that was not carried over from the last fiscal year.

"One-time funding is one-time funding. The intent is that it is not ongoing," she said. "Why wouldn't one-time funding be just one time? Because in the past, that is somewhat how Lansing has operated. They just called it one-time, but it is actually ongoing. We are trying to correct the problem...It's not a cut— it's just not a second time."

Bollin also addressed the elimination of full-time employee positions.

She said during the budget process through conversations with state departments, the House learned that some departments were contracting unfilled positions.

"To me, that's not very transparent, and as an appropriator, tell me that. Put it as another line item. Let's be transparent and accountable," she said. "Why don't you have those positions filled? Sometimes we hear, 'Oh, we

couldn't find anybody to fill them; they don't like the wages, they may be too low.' Whatever, could be a number or reasons. But most of those positions are vacant positions, and the ones that aren't are filled by contract employees of subcontract companies. Let's put them as a line item, and let's show it."

House Republicans could not say how many of the full-time employees eliminated from the budget were temporarily vacant while departments worked to hire someone to replace an employee that had left or found a new job.

"It's very difficult to get this information from departments," Bollin said. "We hope that they can partner with us, help us get more information on this. Certainly, if the department needs employees, we want to equip them. ... We want people to believe in their state government and to get a response, and to get that out in a timely manner, efficiently, and actually get the right answer."

Bollin said she remained committed to finishing the budget by September 30, which is the Constitutional deadline.

"I look forward to continuing this journey," she said. "I'm confident if there's a will, we can get this done by September 30. But there has to be a will to make cuts. This is not about growing government. The money simply is not there, and we can't continue on this course."

MHA RAISES CONCERNS ABOUT HOUSE BUDGET, HALL DECRIES ORGANIZATION AS PARTISAN

Hospitals are concerned about the number of employees they might lose if the House Republican budget is adopted as the final version of the state's budget.

The Michigan Health and Hospital Association said as many as 20,000 hospital jobs could be lost across the state and lead to a \$4.9 billion loss to the state's economy.

House Speaker Matt Hall, R-Richland Township, said hospitals' concerns over the House budget were driven by partisanship.

The MHA's estimates are based on the more than \$2.5 billion in potential hospital funding reductions included in HB 4706. The effects on the hospital labor force would be especially devastating because 60% of a hospital's budget is due to labor, the MHA said.

"Health care is the largest private-sector employer in the state, with hospitals employing the most direct jobs within the sector with approximately 222,000 employees," said MHA CEO Brian Peters. "Our calculations show the House version of the state budget could ultimately lead to a 9% reduction in the direct hospital workforce. Hospitals are one of the largest employers in each of their communities, meaning job losses to this magnitude would be felt in every corner of Michigan."

The losses would be driven by the new language in the budget that places \$2.5 billion of hospital provider-tax funding payments in contingency line, which the MHA said could jeopardize timely hospital payments, as well as eliminating at least \$100 million in funding from the Specialty Network Access Fee, which reimburses physicians who care for patients covered by Medicaid. Another concern was eliminating \$10 million to support the Maternal Levels of Care verifications and the MI-AIM safety program for birthing hospitals.

Hall was unmoved by the concerns of Peters and the MHA.

"One of the biggest lies I'm hearing are from the hospitals, and I really think they should consider replacing their leadership. Is his name Brian Peters? He's not a very good leader, and he's leading the organization in the direction toward the Democrat Party," he said. "When are the hospitals going to say thank you to President Trump from the \$250 million Michigan's expected to get from the One Big Beautiful Bill for rural hospitals? You never hear them talk about it."

Hall went on to say that hospitals were just looking for ways to add to their bottom line.

"They're lying about our budget, and they're becoming very partisan," he said. "Some of them are making millions, these CEOs."

Peters fired back in a Wednesday evening statement.

"The Speaker is wasting Michiganders' time and resources doubling down on defending these disastrous budget cuts and resorting to personal attacks. Attacking me does not change the real cuts his budget threatens to make against patients, health care workers and hospitals. I'm happy to be the target of his outrage and criticism if that distracts him from cutting funding for those who report to work every day to save lives," he said. "The fact is the Rural Health Transformation funding is a lottery ticket that pales in comparison to the more than \$8.5 billion hospitals would lose from state and federal cuts. State lawmakers have no influence on when or how much federal rural money is distributed. At best, it would only make up for 3% of these cuts, if it comes to fruition. We will not be bullied away from defending our patients. We remain steadfast in our commitment to protecting healthcare access throughout Michigan."

House Appropriations Chair Rep. Ann Bollin, R-Brighton, said that House Republicans were committed to affordable and accessible health care.

"We are working very hard to make sure that our most vulnerable can continue to be covered, and the hospitals are a part of this. They should be," she said. "We're not trying to shut down hospitals, leave people on the streets, not make people get the drug that they need. We're trying to ensure that people have affordable and accessible health care, and what is reasonable. But it has grown out of control. ... We have to make the investment in people, and that what we're committed to doing in our budget."

ROAD WORKERS URGE LAWMAKERS TO PASS ROAD FUNDING PLAN

The Capitol lawn was covered in neon yellow and orange last Wednesday as road construction workers and labor unions rallied to call on lawmakers to pass a long-term funding plan for road and bridge construction in the upcoming budget.

The rally featured union and construction workers telling their own stories of both working and driving on their local roads, voicing concerns about losing their jobs or seeing the road conditions take a hit without it.

Jon Hudgins, a member of the Operating Engineers 324 Journeyman and employee of M&M Excavating, said with his wife and three kids, his career is about providing for them with the fair wages and benefits he receives now. But, with no funding plan, his job stability is in danger, he said.

Hudgins said he has worked in other states in the past and "their roads are better, their bridges are stronger, and their workers are busier," and Michigan just needs to catch up not with a "band aid" but with a long-term solution.

"I don't want to leave my state to do my job, and none of us do," Hudgins said. "We want to stay here, build here and raise our families here, but if Lansing can't pass a real road funding plan, skilled workers will have no choice but to leave."

Megan Jaglowski, a carpenter with Hardman Construction, said while she is still an apprentice, it does not take 20 years to see the infrastructure falling apart across the state. She said the damage hasn't come out of nowhere but it's a result of "years of neglect."

"The people in charge sat on their hands while the rest of us kept it running," Jaglowski said. "Am I right? Or am I right? They ignored it, we carried it, and now they want us to patch up decades of neglect with scraps and excuses."

She said road workers aren't just about fixing problems but preventing disasters and keeping the economy moving. She said the workers aren't here for a "handout" instead wanting real investment instead of more speeches on what the state needs.

Arlandar Washington, a business manager at LiUNA Local 355, also called out the Legislature for "finger pointing," saying instead they need to start road paving and bridge building.

"We need the legislators in Lansing to turn off the scoreboard and take a step in the right direction," Washington said.

Lansing Mayor Andy Schor was also in attendance, saying one of the things he hears from residents every day is about a road not being fixed in their neighborhood or constantly hitting potholes on local streets. He said he spends a lot of the time explaining to people that there is a need for \$300 million in Lansing alone to fix the local roads after putting in \$3.5 million.

"I don't want to hear from folks about busted axles," Schor said. "I don't want to hear from folks about the freeze-thaw and breaking up the potholes. I'll fix your pothole in 48 hours, but that doesn't fix the road."

While the House passed a road funding plan back in March that boosted funding by \$3 billion, which is in step with Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's major goal of getting her Mi Road Ahead Plan through for long-term funding, the Senate has not yet acted on a road funding plan.

House Speaker Matt Hall, R-Richland Township, said in a Wednesday press conference that the Senate needed to pass a roads plan to move things forward.

"I'll just point out the Senate has no roads plan. ... We've had a roads plan for months," Hall said. "I don't think it should be our responsibility to tell them what their roads plan is. ... If they don't have a roads plan, they can adopt our roads plan."

Senate Minority Leader Aric Nesbitt, R-Porter Township, in a floor speech Wednesday laid the blame for a lack of a road funding plan at the feet of legislative Democrats. He said Democrats have taken the workers like those at the Capitol for granted.

"Politicians who insisted they would fix the damn roads haven't done a damn thing for six years," Nesbitt said, saying the lack of action is a reason some Michigan residents have turned from the Democrats.

He urged the Senate to take up the road funding plan passed earlier this year by the House.

Sen. Sam Singh, D-East Lansing, repeated comments made to reporters last month that there does not need to be road funding plans from each chamber before beginning negotiations.

"The governor has a plan. House Republicans have a plan. We can get in a room and negotiate that," Singh said. "The idea that there has to be three, four, five, competing plans is not needed. What is needed is people to be in the room and have a real discussion."

Singh said sometimes one chamber takes the lead on an issue in negotiations with the governor and that can be the case with a road funding deal. He added that the Senate has concerns with both the governor's plan and the House plan, but those issues can be addressed at the negotiating table.

WHITMER LEAVES FOR JAPAN AND SINGAPORE TRIP, RETURN DATE NOT SPECIFIED

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has embarked on an economic development trip to Japan and Singapore, her office announced Sunday after repeatedly declining to confirm the travel plans.

Whitmer is joined on the trip by representatives from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and members of the private and public sectors from across the state. Her office described the travel as a mission to "highlight Michigan's competitive advantages, address the impact of tariffs and trade policy shifts and showcase the state as a stable, attractive destination for investment."

"Singapore is one of the most dynamic economies in the world, a global hub for finance, advanced manufacturing, and clean energy. By making this first-of-its-kind visit, we are opening the door for new trade opportunities, building connections with business leaders and showing that Michigan is a reliable and innovative partner for the future," Whitmer said in a statement. "At the same time, we will deepen our decades-long relationship with Japan, reinforcing our partnerships in key shared industries. Whether tariffs shift or global markets fluctuate, Michigan remains open for business and eager to collaborate."

MEDC CEO Quentin Messer said the trip is reflective of the state's priorities, past and future, in terms of foreign investment relationships.

"In Japan, we are recommitting to a relationship that has been foundational to our state's success, while in Singapore, we are laying the groundwork for partnerships that will shape the next chapter of Michigan's growth," Messer said in a statement. "Deepening existing in-market relationships and cultivating new ones with leading providers of financial capital especially in advanced manufacturing and innovation ensure that we remind the world that our state is truly an international one. Remaining globally engaged, in-person and not virtually, as we have throughout our history is critical to Michigan staying competitive and resilient."

The delegation will meet with government officials, corporate leaders and alumni of Michigan universities while on the trip and also attend the Midwest U.S.-Japan Association Conference, at which Whitmer is expected to give remarks.

The governor's delegation is comprised of Messer, Chief Innovation Ecosystem Officer Ben Marchionna; AISIN World Corp. of America Executive Vice President Shin Sasaki and AISIN World Corp. of America Vice President Joe Rohatynski; Battle Creek Unlimited President & CEO Joe Sobieralski and Vice President of Attraction Robert Corder; Battle Creek Mayor Mark Behnke; Novi Mayor Justin Fischer and City Manager Victor Cardenas; DENSO International America Vice President Bob Townsend; Detroit Regional Partnership Managing Vice President Alan Weber; Japan Consul General in Detroit Hajime Kishimori; Lakeshore Advantage President Jennifer Owens; Oakland County Executive Dave Coulter and Business Development Manager Michael Abdallah; Toyota Motor North America Vice President of Integrated Vehicle Systems Nick Sitarski; University of Michigan Associate Vice President for Research – Innovation Partnership and Economic Impact Kelly Sexton and Senior Directors of International Giving and Engagement Eun Ja Ya and Bin Zhao.

Whitmer's office did not specify when the governor will return to Lansing, though previous trade missions have typically lasted two weeks. Amid ongoing budget negotiations and with a government shutdown deadline at the end of the month, Whitmer and her representatives have been adamant that her travel will not interfere with the budgetary process and that the governor will be available to lawmakers regardless of her physical location.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 15

Rep. Tim Kelly (R) - Golf Outing

The Emerald Golf Course, 2300 West Maple Road, St. Johns, 9 a.m.

Rep. Curt VanderWall (R) & Rep. John Roth - Michigan Majority Leadership Fund Event

Willow Winery, 10702 East Hilltop Road, Suttons Bay, 5:30 p.m.

Rep. Steve Frisbie (R) - Evening Fundraiser

The Home of Kathy-Sue and Terry Vette, 458 Country Club Drive, Battle Creek, 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 16

Rep. Ken Borton (R) - Breakfast Reception

Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 8 a.m.

Rep. Ann Bollin (R) - Breakfast Reception

Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 8 a.m.

Rep. Mike Harris (R) - Make it Mike Fundraiser

Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 11:30 a.m.

Rep. Rachelle Smit (R) - Birthday Reception

Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 12 p.m.

Rep. Alabas Farha (D) - Fall Fundraiser

Michigan Health and Hospital Association, Suite 1200, 110 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, 1 p.m.

House Speaker Matt Hall (R) - Evening Reception

Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 5:30 p.m.

- Sept. 17**
- Sen. Sylvia Santana (D) - Breakfast Reception**
Michigan Realtors Association, 720 North Washington Avenue, Lansing, 8:30 a.m.
- Rep. Jamie Thompson (R) - Lunch Reception**
Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 11 a.m.
- Rep. Kelly Breen (D) - Fall Fundraiser**
Kelly's Downtown, 220 South Washington Square, Lansing, 12 p.m.
- Rep. John Fitzgerald (D) - Birthday Fundraiser**
Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 18**
- Rep. Jason Woolford (R) - Breakfast Reception**
Freedom Fund, 123 West Allegan Street, 6th Floor, Lansing, 8 a.m.
- Sen. Sam Singh (D) - Breakfast Reception**
Michigan Health & Hospital Association, 2112 University Park Drive, Okemos, 8:30 a.m.
- Sen. Rosemary Bayer (D) - Lunch Reception**
Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 11:30 a.m.
- Rep. Matt Longjohn (D) - National Talk Like a Pirate Day Fundraiser**
Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 23**
- Rep. Erin Byrnes (D) - Fall Fundraiser**
Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 10 a.m.
- Rep. Bill G. Schuette (R) - Majority Fund Fall Fundraiser**
Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 12 p.m.
- Rep. Mai Xiong (D) & Council Member Ron Frederick (D) - In-District Fall Fundraiser**
Blue Goose Inn, 28911 Jefferson Avenue, St. Clair Shores, 4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 24**
- Sen. Veronica Klinefelt (D) - Breakfast Reception**
Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 8:30 a.m.
- Sen. Darrin Camilleri (D) - Lunch Reception**
Michigan Health & Hospital Association, 2112 University Park Drive, Okemos, 11:30 a.m.
- Rep. Jason Morgan (D) - Fall Fundraiser**
Michigan Municipal League, First Floor, 208 North Capitol Avenue, Lansing, 11:30 a.m.
- Rep. Mai Xiong (D) - Fall Fundraiser**
Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street, Lansing, 11:30 a.m.

- Sept. 24** **HRCC's GOPToberfest**
Hop & Vine Room, Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, 332 Townsend Street,
Lansing, 5:30 p.m.
- Sept. 25** **Rep. Parker Fairbairn (R) - Breakfast Reception**
Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 8 a.m.
- Rep. Natalie Price (D) - Campaign Event**
Michigan Municipal League, First Floor, 208 North Capitol Avenue, Lansing, 9 a.m.
- Rep. Cam Cavitt (R) - Lunch Reception**
Governors Room, Karoub Associates, 121 West Allegan Street, Lansing, 11:30 a.m.
- Sept. 26** **Rep. Joe Pavlov (R) - Dinner in the District**
Hosted at the Home of John & Ann Kendrick, 6026 Wildrose Lane, Butcherville, 5 p.m.

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