State Representative
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D–68th Representative District

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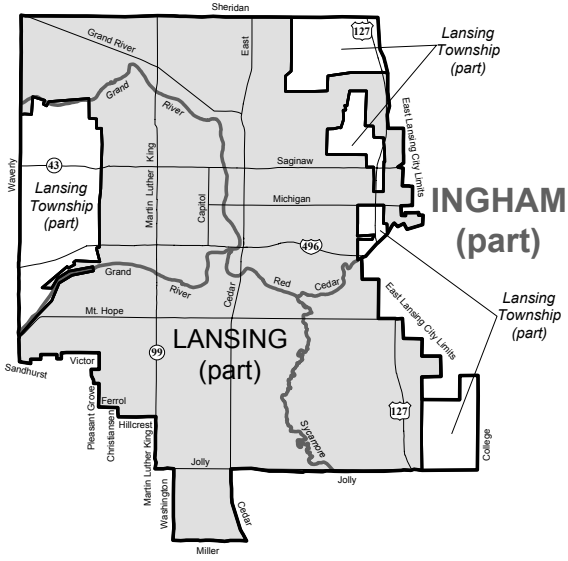
Committees: Appropriations (Subcommittees: Education (Minority Vice Chair); Higher Education (Minority Vice Chair); Community Health)

Biography: Democrat of Lansing; married to Doug Langham; graduate of Western Michigan University (history, political science, and secondary education); former high school and adult education teacher; former director of Women's Programs for the Lansing YWCA; 21 years as director of volunteer services at Ingham Regional Medical Center; former executive director of the Lansing Community College Foundation; 11 years as a councilmember at large on the Lansing City Council (1996-2006) serving as president (2004), vice president (1998-1999), and chair of every standing committee; longtime member and president (2003-2005) of the Michigan Municipal League's Michigan Women in State Government; former board member, Capital Area United Way, Mildred Erickson Foundation; volunteer with Greater Lansing Housing Coalition, American Red Cross, Greater Lansing Food Bank; past member and chair of the Ingham County Women's Commission; former president of Michigan Capital Girl Scout Council, Junior League of Lansing, Friends of the Lansing Public Library, Friends of the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame and Historical Center, Lansing Rotary Foundation Board of Directors; former member of Capital Region Community Foundation Board of Directors and Dart Bank Board of Directors; recipient of Athena Award for leadership, Belen Award for management, Diana Award for community service; co-chair of Legislative Women's Caucus; co-chair of House Local Government Caucus; co-chair of Capitol Caucus; elected to the House of Representatives, 2006, 2008, 2010; Democratic Caucus Vice Chair.