

SPEAKERS PRO TEMPORE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 1835-2015¹

Representative	County of Residence	District	Session Years
Orin Howe	Washtenaw	Washtenaw	1835
Hiram Alden	Branch	Branch	1837
Alexander W. Buel	Wayne	Wayne	1838
Isaac Wixom	Oakland	Oakland	1839
Henry Acker ²	Jackson	Jackson	1840
Philo C. Fuller ³	Lenawee	Lenawee	1841
James B. Larue ⁴	Berrien	Berrien	1841
Edwin H. Lothrop	Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo	1842-1843
D. C. Walker	Macomb	Macomb	1844
William A. Pratt	Oakland	Oakland	1845
Augustus C. Baldwin	Oakland	Oakland	1846
James L. Glenn	Cass	Cass	1847
Hiram Stone	Monroe	Monroe	1848
Charles M. O'Malley	Mackinac	Mackinac	1849
Oliver C. Comstock ⁵	Branch	Branch	1849
John Stockton	Macomb	Macomb	1850
Calvin Britain	Berrien	Berrien	1851
Edward G. Morton	Monroe	2nd Monroe	1853
Robert R. Beecher	Lenawee	3rd Lenawee	1855
William H. Gregory	Wayne	4th Wayne	1857
Charles Dickey	Calhoun	2nd Calhoun	1859
William T. Howell	Newaygo	Newaygo	1861-1863
Augustus D. Griswold	Kent	3rd Kent	1865
Jonathan J. Woodman	Van Buren	1st Van Buren	1867
Benjamin W. Huston, Jr.	Tuscola	Tuscola	1869-1872
Claudius B. Grant	Washtenaw	1st Washtenaw	1873-1874
Ervin C. Watkins	Kent	4th Kent	1875
Nathaniel A. Hamilton	Berrien	2nd Berrien	1877
Edward P. Allen	Washtenaw	1st Washtenaw	1879
William Ball	Livingston	Livingston	1881-1882
George H. Hopkins	Wayne	1st Wayne	1883
Leonard M. Sellars	Kent	3rd Kent	1885
Erastus N. Bates	Allegan	2nd Allegan	1887
Walter W. Williams	Eaton	1st Eaton	1889
George F. Richardson	Ottawa	2nd Ottawa	1891
Charles W. Moore	Wayne	1st Wayne	1893
George W. Partridge	Wayne	1st Wayne	1895
Oramel B. Fuller	Delta	Delta	1897-1898
George E. Gillam	Alcona	Iosco	1899-1900
Sherman T. Handy	Iron	Dickinson	1901
Sheridan J. Colby	Wayne	1st Wayne	1903
Nicholas J. Whelan	Ottawa	1st Ottawa	1905
Charles E. Ward	Shiawassee	Shiawassee	1907
James M. Monroe	Gogebic	Gogebic	1909
John M. Perry	Osceola	Osceola	1911-1912
Charles H. McBride	Ottawa	1st Ottawa	1913
Wayne R. Rice	Newaygo	Newaygo	1915
Lynn J. Lewis	Van Buren	Van Buren	1917
Franklin Moore	St. Clair	2nd St. Clair	1919
Fred E. Dunn	Wayne	2nd Wayne	1921-1922
Thomas D. Meggison	Antrim	Antrim	1923
Robert B. MacDonald	Houghton	1st Houghton	1925-1926
Milton R. Palmer	Wayne	1st Wayne	1927
William J. Thomas	Kent	3rd Kent	1929
Vincent P. Dacey	Wayne	1st Wayne	1931-1932
Tracy W. Southworth	Monroe	Monroe	1933-1934
Carl DeLano	Kalamazoo	2nd Kalamazoo	1935-1936
Frank Berka	Saginaw	1st Saginaw	1937-1938
Maurice E. Post	Kent	3rd Kent	1939-1942
Victor A. Knox	Chippewa	Chippewa	1943-1946
Bert J. Storey	Ionia	Ionia	1947-1948
Robert M. Montgomery	Ingham	1st Ingham	1949-1952
William S. Broomfield	Oakland	4th Oakland	1953-1954
Andrew Bolt	Kent	1st Kent	1955-1956
Don R. Pears	Berrien	1st Berrien	1957-1958
Charles A. Boyer	Manistee	Wexford	1959-1960
Wilfred G. Bassett	Jackson	1st Jackson	1961-1964

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Albert R. Horrigan	Genesee	19 ⁶	1965-1966
Martin D. Buth	Kent	90	1967-1968
Stanley J. Davis	Kent	92	1969-1972
Matthew McNeely	Wayne	16	1973-1986
Teola P. Hunter ⁷	Wayne	5	1987-1992
Raymond M. Murphy	Wayne	7	1992-1994
Frank M. Fitzgerald ^{8,9}	Eaton	71	1993-1996
Raymond M. Murphy	Wayne	7	1997-1998
Patricia L. Birkholz	Allegan	88	1999-2002
Larry Julian	Shiawassee	85	2003-2004
Jerry O. Kooiman	Kent	75	2005-2006
Michael G. Sak	Kent	76	2007-2008
Pam Byrnes	Washtenaw	52	2009-2010
John Walsh	Wayne	19	2011-2014
Tom Leonard	Clinton	93	2015-

¹The speaker pro tem of the house of representatives acts as the presiding officer of that body in the absence of the speaker.

²Elected speaker of the house of representatives January 8, 1840.

³Elected speaker of the house of representatives January 6, 1841.

⁴Elected speaker pro tem April 3, 1841.

⁵Elected February 12, 1849, to preside in speaker's three-day absence.

⁶The Apportionment and Districting Plan of 1964 changed the method of naming legislative districts by counties to a numbering system. Under the previous system, the county was the basis for the district name, and each county, if qualified, had numbered districts within its borders. See Constitution of 1835, art. 4, secs. 3, 4; Constitution of 1850, art. 4, secs. 3, 4; Constitution of 1963, art. 4, sec. 3.

⁷Resigned from the house of representatives January 17, 1992.

⁸Elected co-speaker pro tem January 13, 1993. Pursuant to the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives and the *Democratic/Republican Leadership Agreement re Organization of the Michigan House of Representatives*, both ratified by resolutions adopted January 13, 1993, Democratic and Republican co-speakers pro tem were elected by the house of representatives and authorized to preside during alternating months. See 1993 Journal of the House (No. 1, January 13, 1993).

⁹Elected speaker pro tempore January 11, 1995.

CLERKS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 1835-2015¹

Session Years	Name and Address	Session Years	Name and Address
1835-1836	George R. Griswold, Detroit	1903-1907	Charles S. Pierce, ² Oscoda
1837	Anthony Ten Eyck, Detroit	1907-1912	Paul H. King, ³ Lansing
1838	Jed P. C. Emmons, Detroit	1912-1927	Charles S. Pierce, Lansing
1839	Elijah J. Roberts, Detroit	1929-1936	Myles F. Gray, Lansing
1840-1841	Mark Howard, Ann Arbor	1937-1938	T. Thomas Thatcher, Ravenna
1841-1843	Elijah J. Roberts, Detroit	1939-1944	Myles F. Gray, Lansing
1844	Augustine W. Hovey, Pontiac	1945-1965	Norman E. Philleo, ⁴ Lansing
1845	Ezra Williams	1966-1980	T. Thomas Thatcher, Lansing
1846-1849	Augustine W. Hovey, Pontiac	1981-1983	Thomas S. Husband, ⁵ East Lansing
1850-1853	Daniel P. Bushnell, Detroit	1983-1984	William A. Ryan, Detroit
1855	Henry Barns, Detroit	1985-1994	David H. Evans, ⁶ Haslett
1857-1859	Charles V. DeLand, Jackson	1993-1996	Melvin DeStigter, ^{6,7} Hudsonville
1861-1863	Edward W. Barber, Charlotte	1997-1998	Mary Kay Scullion, Lansing
1864-1872	Nelson B. Jones, Lansing	1999-2006	Gary L. Randall, Elwell
1873-1889	Daniel L. Crossman, Williamston	2007-2010	Richard J. Brown, Bessemer
1891-1892	Lyman A. Brant, Detroit	2011-	Gary L. Randall, Elwell
1893-1901	Lewis M. Miller, Lansing		

¹The office of clerk of the house of representatives is an elective position, by members of the house, in each odd-numbered year in which the legislature meets. The powers and duties of the post are established by the adopted rules of the house of representatives, which govern the day-to-day operations of that body.

²Resigned October 7, 1907; succeeded by Paul H. King.

³Resigned February 26, 1912; succeeded by Charles S. Pierce.

⁴Resigned January 1, 1966; succeeded by T. Thomas Thatcher.

⁵Resigned May 2, 1983; succeeded by William A. Ryan.

⁶Elected co-clerk of the house January 13, 1993. Pursuant to the Standing Rules of the House of Representatives and the *Democratic/Republican Leadership Agreement re Organization of the Michigan House of Representatives*, both ratified by resolutions adopted January 13, 1993, Democratic and Republican co-clerks of the house were elected by the house of representatives and authorized to act during the periods prescribed in the agreement and the rules. See 1993 Journal of the House (No. 1, January 13, 1993).

⁷Elected clerk of the house January 11, 1995.