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Committees: Economic and Small Business Development; Education and Career Readiness; Insurance and Banking (Minority Vice Chair); Transportation and Infrastructure (Minority Vice Chair)

Biography: Democrat, of Taylor; born 1970, in Brooklyn, NY; spouse, Doug Geiss; two children; second-generation American with family from Panama and the Caribbean; bachelor's degree, developmental psychology, Brandeis University, 1993; master's degree in Art and Architectural History, Tufts University, 1998; formerly employed at the Museum of Fine Arts-Boston, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Rose Art Museum at Brandeis University as Director of Education, and the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History; published author and editor; founded and operates small editing and publishing service; adjunct professor/instructor, University of New Hampshire-Durham and Wayne County Community College District; first Afro-Latina elected to the Michigan Legislature; executive vice chair, Michigan Legislative Black Caucus; elected to the House of Representatives, November 2014 and 2016; elected to the State Senate, November 2018; Democratic Caucus Chair, 2019 to present.

