State Representative
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D–8th Representative District

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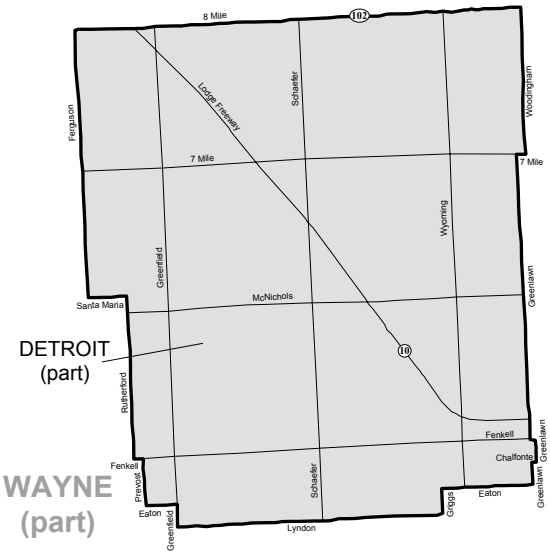
Committees: Appropriations (Chair) (Subcommittees: Investigations, Intergovernmental Affairs and Oversight (Chair); Supplementals (Chair); Special Governmental Operations (Vice Chair)); House Fiscal Agency Governing Board (Chair); Legislative Council

Biography: Democrat, of Detroit; born January 6, 1953, in Royal Oak Township; lifelong Detroit resident; married to Maria Hazel Drew Cushingberry, children, George III and Brandon, son of Edna and George Sr. (deceased), siblings, Carey Walter, Dennis Barton, Dr. Allen B. Cushingberry; graduate of Cass Tech High School; B.A. (with distinction) in black studies and political science with communications minor, M.A. in political science, urban politics, policy, and administration, and Ph.D. candidate in political science, Wayne State University; J.D., University of Detroit Mercy; youngest person ever elected to the Michigan House of Representatives (age 21), serving from 1975 to 1982; 16 years as a member of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners; member, New Mount Vernon Baptist Church – Royal Oak Township; Assistant Sunday School superintendent, and chair, Political and Social Action Committee, New Prospect Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Agriculture Commission chair, Rev. S. Leon Whitney; assistant pastor, New Starlight Baptist Church, Rev. C.L. Petty, senior pastor; principal attorney, George Cushingberry, Jr. and Associates PLLC; TV/radio producer and host of "The Prospector Reveals" TV-33 UHF/Radio 88.1FM; active with the NAACP, the Concerned Citizens Council Youth Task Force, and the Afro-American Museum of Detroit; reelected to the House of Representatives, 2004, 2006, 2008; historian, Michigan Legislative Black Caucus.