

Greater Grand Rapids NAACP State Report Card

Criminal Justice														Grades		
Issues	Endorsing Party	HB	SB	NAACP	Steven Johnson District 72	Bryan Posthumus District 73	Mark Huizenga District 74	David Lagrand District 75	Rachel Hood District 76	Tommy Brann District 77	Thomas Albert District 86	Aric Nesbitt District 26	Interim Senator District 28	Winnie Brinks District 29		
Require the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) to develop guidelines for third-party investigations of officer-involved deaths. It would require each agency to develop a publicly available policy that meets those guidelines. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		473													
Allow MCOLES to revoke the license of an officer who used excessive force causing death or serious bodily harm. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		475													
Exempt a police union from representing a member in a disciplinary action if it is determined by the union that the grievance is without merit. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		477												Co-Sponsor	
Ban the use of the chokehold as a restraint method except to save a life. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		478													
Ban the use of "no-knock" warrants except in certain circumstances and better define "knock and enter" warrants. A "no-knock" warrant was executed in the shooting death of Breonna Taylor, a Black woman, during a botched raid in 2020 in Louisville, Ky. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		479												Co-Sponsor	
Establish an affirmative duty to intervene to prevent the excessive use of force by another officer and allow for disciplinary action for those who fail to do so. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		480													
Require use of force policies for all police agencies to include a verbal warning and exhaustion of alternatives before using deadly force. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		481												Co-Sponsor	
Require training standards regarding de-escalation, implicit bias, and behavioral health be developed by MCOLES and require continuing education for law enforcement officers. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		482												Co-Sponsor	
Prohibit a person from knowingly or intentionally failing to activate a body-worn camera for law enforcement purposes to interfere with a present or future official proceeding or an internal law enforcement investigation. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		484												Co-Sponsor	
Establish in the state Freedom of Information Act that the release of law enforcement disciplinary records "is not an unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy," which means details of this information as specified in the This bill are not exempt from disclosure. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4291						Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor							
Prohibit mental health professionals on performing conversion therapy on LGBTQ youths	D	4651	367					Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor						Co-Sponsor	
Classify the false reporting of a crime or suspected crime, based solely on the alleged perpetrator's race or ethnicity, as a hate crime, and Senate Bill 63 would designate the act as a Class G felony. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		62_63													
Law enforcement would be prohibited from using projectiles, like rubber bullets, and chemical weapons, like tear gas, to disperse a crowd that is not engaged in rioting	D	HB 5020														
Economic Justice														Grades		
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Low-income households would be eligible to request state assistance paying for their broadband internet bill. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	HB 5034							Co-Sponsor							
Restoring the 2018 Legislature passed citizen-initiated legislation to guarantee paid sick time to its original legislation. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4177						Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor							
Equal pay for equal work bill package. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4576_78-87 [1]						Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor							
Would prohibit residential evictions during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4181 & 4259							Co-Sponsor							
Raises the State Minimum wage to \$15 and indexes it to inflation. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4413														
Repeal right to work legislaion from 2012 (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4175 & 4176							Co-Sponsor							

Education															
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Require schools to teach African American History. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		414												
Elimination Critical Race Theory from public schools. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		460												
Would create a student loan forgiveness program for eligible teachers that covers up to \$300 per month in student loan payments as long as the recipient remains in the field. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)		5099							Co-Sponsor						
A "fair pay" proposal, would create a three-tiered best practice bonus system (\$20, \$30, and \$35 per pupil) based on whether teachers receive 95%, 100% or 110% of the average salary of like-educated individuals in their area. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)		5109							Co-Sponsor						
Would allow teachers to use discretion when deciding whether to retain a student not reading at grade level by third grade. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)		4574							Co-Sponsor						
Would create a career-technical program in teacher preparation that allows high school students to work toward meeting teacher certification requirements through courses and experiential learning. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)		5107							Co-Sponsor						
Resume enforcement of the law for third graders and also add the same mandate for fourth graders. Those who fail standardized reading tests must be held back and not allowed to move ahead to 4th or 5th grade. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		265												
Suspending or expelling students for being chronically absent or truant would be prohibited. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		68											Co-Sponsor	
Would prohibit various actions that could shame students for receiving free lunches. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		102												
Establish a testing program for lead in school water. The bill would require test results to be posted publicly online. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4248						Co-Sponsor							
Would allow college students to claim a tax credit equal to the amount of the sales tax they paid on any textbooks required for their courses. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)		5087	566									Majority Vice Chair		Co-Sponsor	
Environmental Issues															Grades
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Environmental protection: air pollution; civil and administrative fines; utilize to benefit communities affected by pollution. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		54											On Committee Co-Sponsor	
Ensure kids throughout Michigan can access lead-free drinking water at schools and childcare centers. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	Bi Partisan		184-85											On Committee Co-Sponsor	
Public utilities: water utilities; human right to water act; create. Creates new act (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		342											On Committee Co-Sponsor	
Water utilities; water shutoff protection act; enact. Creates new act. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		343											On Committee Co-Sponsor	
Water utilities; annual water rate disclosure; require, and provide specific information regarding shut-off statistics. Creates new act. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		345											On Committee Co-Sponsor	
Environmental protection: permits; denial or imposition of additional conditions on; provide for when projects are located in environmentally overburdened communities. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D		439											On Committee	
Seeks to expand commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) financing for infrastructure projects that remediate environmental and water quality hazards, such as lead paint and PFAS. The bill would also waive a current requirement that contractors must guarantee energy savings that cover the initial costs of the project. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	5011							Co-Sponsor						
Health Care Issues															Grades

Strict voter ID. SB 303 removes the affidavit option for voters without ID. Requires clerks to issue provisional ballots to voters without ID. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.) SB 304 amends the provisional ballot notice to add that a provisional ballot will only be tabulated if, within 6 days after the election, the voter verifies his/her voter registration record with the clerk or establishes his/her identity with the clerk by using ID for election purposes ALONG WITH a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, gov't check, or other gov't document. It also adds that fee waivers are available under existing law for certain individuals to obtain free state ID cards.	R		303/304												
Requires the full text of a ballot proposal to be provided to a voter. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		307												
Requires signature verification training for all clerks and precinct inspectors. It would prohibit a presumption of validity of any signature. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		308												
Prohibits SOS from providing AV ballot applications unless requested. It would prohibit links to AV applications on the SOS website. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	R		310												
Miscellaneous															
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Issuing Drivers License to Undocumented Persons. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4835	433					Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor	
Increasing Background Checks on all Firearms. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4869-71	454-456						Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor	
Would prohibit discrimination based on traits historically associated with race, such as hair texture. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4275			On Committee Committee Chair _____			On Committee	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor	
Transparency in State Govt (Passed State House)	Bi Partisan	4383-92				Co-Sponsor		On Committee	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor	
Expanded Civil Rights for the LBGTQ (Elliot Larsen Act)* (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	4297	208		On Committee			On Committee	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor	
Lynchings would be banned, additionally threatening a noose will come with a charge and Jail time. (Referred to committee, no further action at this time.)	D	5085						Minority Vice Chair Co- Sponsor _____	Co-Sponsor						

[1] 77 is in the Commerce committee