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Brad Williams

Vice President, Government Relations
Detroit Regional Chamber

Ramifications of the Results



Passing a Bill

56, 20, and 1 are the magic numbers

- ✓ History shows members miss votes
- ✓ Coalition building more important than ever



Some Chamber Priorities Have New Life

- ✓ Transportation funding
- ✓ Regional priorities
- ✓ Higher education support
- ✓ Economic development



The Chamber is the Bipartisan Voice

- ✓ Focus members on positive impacts of last decade
- ✓ Identify champions for business climate policies
- ✓ Push lawmakers towards stability

New Quadrant

Majority Leader Winnie Brinks
(D-Grand Rapids)



Sen. Minority Leader Aric Nesbitt
(R-Porter Township)



House Speaker Joe Tate
(D-Detroit)



House Minority Leader Matt Hall
(R-Marshall)





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Ned Staebler

Chief Executive Officer
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Navigating Resources as a Small Business

Paul Jones, Business Support Network Director, Invest Detroit

Regina Ann Campbell, President and CEO, Build Institute, LD XXXVII



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Growing a Small Business in Detroit

Charity Dean, President and CEO, Metro Detroit Black Business Alliance

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Quiana “Que” Broden

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Amanda Sweet

Community Manager

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Venture Capital in Michigan

Ara Topouzian, Executive Director, Michigan Venture Capital Association

Jim Tenzillo, Vice President, Invest Michigan, LD XLI





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Bamboo Panel

[Justin Wedes](#) - CEO - Flow Video @flow_vid

[Sanjay Sharma](#) - President and CEO - Ascendant Case Management @ascendantcares

[Ber-Henda Williams](#) - SOUL COACH and Founder - The Power of Girlhood @berhenda

[Angela Buccellato](#) - CEO and Founder - The Resume Rescue @theresumerescue



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Holiday Happy Hour: Thursday, December 8th
Airspace Link – Detroit

Next session: Thursday, December 15th
The Changing Role of Media in the Social Age
Detroit Regional Chamber Office

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