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Richard LeBlanc (Michigan)

Richard LeBlanc was a Democratic member of the Michigan House of Representatives, representing the 18th District from January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2013.

Rep. LeBlanc worked for the Ford Motor Company in Westland and was a member of the United Auto Workers Union. He was a member of law enforcement for the cities of Westland. LeBlanc has also been a reserve police officer for the city of Canton. He resides in Westland with his wife, Cheryl LeBlanc, and has two sons named Rick and Jeff. They are Roman Catholic.

Richard LeBlanc

Democratic Party

Prior offices

Westland City Council

Michigan House of Representatives District 18
Successor: Sarah Roberts
Predecessor: Glenn Anderson

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Personal

Profession Reserve Police Officer, Canton

Previous offices held

LeBlanc served as an officer and trustee for Wayne/Westland Community Schools, Board of Education from 1992 to 1995. He was elected to the Westland City Council, where he served from 1995 to 2001 and 2003 to 2006.

Political campaign history

In 2006 he filed to run for the seat being vacated by Rep. Glenn S. Anderson, who ran successfully for the Michigan State Senate. LeBlanc won easily in the heavily Democratic 18th District, which is located in Wayne County and includes the Detroit suburb of Westland.

Voting record

Key votes of 2009-2010

- **Click below to see how this representative voted.**
- Super Speedway, Lawmakers voting on whether TO EXTEND A SPECIAL TAX PERK for a super speedway.
- Driver Responsibility Fees, Lawmakers voting on whether TO IMPOSE "driver responsibility fees."
- Crony Capitalism, Lawmakers voting on whether TO RESTRICT THE RIGHT of shareholders to sell their own stock.
- Right to Work, Lawmakers voting on an amendment SUPPORTING RIGHT-TO-WORK zones.
- Dept. of State Cost-Saving, Lawmakers voting on whether TO SLOW DOWN PROGRESS ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S COST-SAVING CONSOLIDATION PLAN.
- Golf Carts, Lawmakers voting on whether TO SUBSIDIZE the production of electric vehicle batteries.
- Home Court Disadvantage, Lawmakers voting on whether TO GIVE MORE TAXING POWER to local government in Kalamazoo so it can finance a taxpayer-subsidized sports arena.
- Fire Safe Cigarettes, Lawmakers voting on whether TO BAN the sale of cigarettes that are not "fire safe."
- Balancing Act, Lawmakers voting on a budget to CUT REVENUE SHARING PAYMENTS to local governments as a way to balance the state budget without raising taxes.
- Balancing Act 2, Lawmakers voting on a cut of less than 3 percent to K-12 school aid payments so as to balance the state budget without tax increases.
- A Good Tax Gone Bad?, Lawmakers voting on the Michigan Business Tax.
- It's From the Children, Lawmakers voting on whether to RAID $90 MILLION from the Michigan Higher Education Student Loan Authority.
- Left Behind, Lawmakers voting on whether TO FINANCE "No Worker Left Behind" with a 59.9 percent increase in general fund spending in the 2009 DELEG budget.
- First Class Schools, Lawmakers voting on whether to keep Detroit Public Schools' "first class" status even though the district no longer meets the population standard.
- Politically Correct Capitalism, Lawmakers voting on whether to INCREASE SUBSIDIES for plug-in traction battery packs used in electric cars.
- Politically Correct Capitalism 2, Lawmakers voting on whether to GIVE SUBSIDIES for Michigan film production.
- Politically Correct Capitalism 3, Lawmakers voting on whether to INCREASE ELECTRIC CAR SUBSIDIES for a subsidiary of a Korean battery company.
- Secret Ballot, Lawmakers voting on whether to keep a SECRET BALLOT for union elections.
- Property Taxes Assaulted Again, Lawmakers voting on whether to allow public schools to EXPAND THE USE OF SINKING FUND property tax spending.
- Sneak Attack, Lawmakers voting on whether to allow public schools to EXPAND THE USE OF SINKING FUND property tax spending.
- Grapes of Wrath, Lawmakers voting on whether TO BAN home shipment of beer and wine to Michigan consumers.
- Subsidize Manufacture of Electric Cars, Lawmakers voting on whether to authorize a refundable Michigan Business Tax credit for makers of plug-in traction battery packs used in electric cars.
- Authorize Special Tax Breaks for Ethanol Gas Stations, Lawmakers voting on whether to authorize a non-refundable Michigan Business Tax credit equal to 30 percent of the costs incurred by a gas station to convert existing pumps and tanks, or acquire new ones that deliver E85 ethanol or biodiesel fuel.

More voting record details

- List of all of Richard LeBlanc's roll call votes, bills introduced, and floor amendments from MichiganVotes.org (use site's "advanced search" to narrow by date range, issue category and/or keyword).
- List of Richard LeBlanc's 0 missed roll-call votes

Committee assignments

2011-2012

In the 2011-2012 legislative session, LeBlanc served on these committees:

- Appropriations, Vice Chair
- Subcommittee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Vice Chair
- Subcommittee on State Police, Vice Chair
- Subcommittee on Supplementals, Vice Chair
- Subcommittee on Transportation

2009-2010

In the 2009-2010 legislative session, LeBlanc served on these committees:

- Appropriations (Democratic Vice Chair)

Elections

2010

See also: Michigan House of Representatives elections, 2010

LeBlanc won election to the District 18 seat in 2010. He had no primary opposition. He defeated Floyd Collins in the general election on November 2, 2010.[8][9]

Michigan House of Representatives, District 17 General election (2010)	
Candidates	Votes
✓ Richard LeBlanc (D)	16,668
Floyd Collins (R)	9,985
Hal Dunn (U.S. Taxpayers of Michigan)	9,985

2008

On November 4, 2008, Richard LeBlanc ran for District 18 of the Michigan House of Representatives, beating Harold Dunn.[8]

Richard LeBlanc raised $31,937 for his campaign.[10]

Michigan House of Representatives, District 18	
Candidates	Votes
✓ Richard LeBlanc (D)	28,955
Harold Dunn (UST)	3,730

Campaign donors

2010

In 2010, LeBlanc received $70,356 in campaign donations. The largest contributors are listed below.[11]

Michigan House of Representatives 2010 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2008

In 2008 Richard LeBlanc collected $31,937 in donations.[6]

His five largest contributors in 2008 were:

Donor	Amount
Michigan Beer & Wine Wholesalers Association	$4,842
Michigan State Police Troopers Association	$2,600
Michigan Education Association	$2,525
Westland Fire Fighters Association	$2,000
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	$2,000

Campaign contributions

Contributions Report from Michigan Secretary of State

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Scorecards

Tea Party Scorecard

The Independent Tea Party Patriots, a Michigan Tea Party group, grades the votes of this and every other Michigan legislator on "core tea party issues" in a regularly-updated scorecard. 100% is considered an ideal rating.[7]

January 2011 - March 2012

Richard LeBlanc received a **31%** rating on the January 2011 - March 2012 Tea Party Scorecard.[7]

External links

- Richard LeBlanc's personal website
- Michigan Legislature - Representative Richard LeBlanc
- Legislative Profile from Project Vote Smart
- Biography from Project Vote Smart
- Michigan Votes - Richard LeBlanc
- Campaign Contributions: 2008, 2006
- Richard LeBlanc on LinkedIn

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Footnotes

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Political offices		
Preceded by -	Michigan House of Representatives District 18 2006 – 2013	Succeeded by Sarah Roberts (D)

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