## = Mike Cierpiot =

Mike Cierpiot (born January 14, 1953) is a Republican member of the Missouri House of Representatives. He represents the 30th District, which encompasses a part of Jackson County. Cierpiot currently serves as the Majority Floor Leader in the Missouri House.

## = = Personal life = =

Cierpiot was born January 14, 1953, in Kansas City, Missouri. He was educated at Longview Community College and the University of Missouri? Kansas City. He is married to Connie J. Cierpiot, who also served in the Missouri House of Representatives, and they have two sons, Patrick and Lucas, and two grandchildren, Ellie and Louis.

In addition to his career as a legislator , Cierpiot was once a network engineer for AT & T. Cierpiot and his family attend First Church of the Nazarene , in Blue Springs .

## = = Political career = =

Cierpiot has served in the Missouri House of Representatives since 2011. From 2011 to 2013, he represented District 56. As of 2013, he represents District 30. Before becoming a representative, he was a committee member of the Jackson County Republican Party from 1993 to 2003. Cierpiot currently intends to run unopposed in the 2014 election. Due to Missouri 's term limits, Cierpiot term as a state representative must end in 2018.

In November after the 2012 election Cierpiot was selected by House Republicans as the Assistant Majority Floor Leader . In August 2015 Cierpiot was selected by House Republicans as the Majority Floor Leader .

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= = = 2012 election = = =
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In 2012 , Cierpiot was unopposed in the Republican primary , and defeated Shere Alam (  ${\sf D}$  ) in the general election for Missouri 's 30th district .

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= = = Legislative assignments = = =
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In addition to his position as Assistant Majority Floor Leader, Mike Cierpiot is an ex officio member of all committees of the House, as well as a member of the following committees:

Elementary And Secondary Education

Leadership For Missouri Issue Development (vice chair)

Utilities (communications, energy, environmental and transportation)

Issue Development Standing Committee On Cowboy Caucus On Agricultural Issues

Missouri Sportsman Issue Development

Joint Committee on Missouri 's Promise

Oral Health Issue Development

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= = = Political views = = =
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Cierpiot describes himself as a conservative , and favors reducing government restrictions on business . He has expressed support for the use of tax incentives in an attempt to attract business to Missouri . He has expressed concern that western cities in Missouri are losing jobs to Kansas .

On September 12, 2012, Cierpiot voted to overturn Governor Jay Nixon 's veto of SB749. The bill allowed health insurance providers to refuse to provide coverage for contraception based on moral convictions.

In 2012, Cierpiot endorsed the Missouri Public Prayer Amendment, which was approved by Missouri voters on August 7, 2012.

In 2014, Cierpiot has voted in favor of reducing income taxes on individuals in Missouri, and against the use of red light cameras in the state.

Cierpiot has received a 92 % rating from the National Rifle Association , a 82 % rating from the American Conservative Union . , and a 96 % rating from the Missouri Chamber of Commerce , one of the highest in the Missouri House of Representatives .