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Committees: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (Minority Vice Chair); Transportation (Minority Vice Chair); Judiciary; Local, Urban and State Affairs; Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs

Biography: Democrat, of Taylor; born May 24, 1945, at Roanoke, Virginia; wife, Iva; children, Brian and Tracy; attended Wayne State University, Western Michigan University, Schoolcraft College, and Wayne County Community College; U.S. Air Force, 1962-1966; 30 years with Ford Motor Company; appointed employee support services representative for the United Auto Workers Local 245, 1985-1997; served UAW Local 245 as Bargaining Committee person, 1976-1995, committee person at-large, and Education Committee person; auxiliary police officer, 1979-1984; appointed to the Water Commission in Taylor in 1984 and to the position of constable in 1985, and subsequently elected constable, 1987-1989; also served the Taylor community on the Planning Commission (1993-1997) and on the City Council (1989-1997); elected to the House of Representatives in a special election, June 1997, reelected 1998, 2000; elected to the State Senate, November 2002, 2006.

