



Midterm Election Results, November 2014

The midterm elections saw big wins for the Republican Party in Michigan. Despite predictions that the Governor's race would be one of the closest in decades, Governor Snyder never lost the lead to Democrat candidate Mark Schauer. Republicans won the other statewide offices with Republican Attorney General Bill Schuette and Republican Secretary of State Ruth Johnson defeating their challengers. Michigan voters also strengthened the GOP control of the State House and Senate. Below is a summary of Tuesday's results.

United States House of Representatives

Republicans hold 244 seats in the House while Democrats hold 180. Of the 14 seats that Michigan holds, Republicans will hold 11 and Democrats will hold 5.

United States Senate

Republicans hold 52 seats in the Senate while Democrats hold 43. Democratic U.S. Rep. Gary Peters defeated former Secretary of State Terri Land to become the new U.S. senator from Michigan. Mr. Peters led Ms. Land 54% to 41%

Michigan House of Representatives

Of the 110 seats in the Michigan House, Republicans will hold 63 while Democrats will hold 47. Today, the House Republican caucus elected Rep. Kevin Cotter as House Speaker for the 2015-2016 session and Rep. Al Pscholka as House Appropriations Committee chair. House Democrats re-elected Rep. Tim Greimel as House minority leader, and elected Rep. Sam Singh as minority floor leader.

Michigan Senate

Of the 38 seats in the Michigan Senate, Republicans will hold 27 while Democrats will hold 11. The Republicans have chosen Senate Majority Floor Leader Arlan Meekhof to serve as the majority leader for next term. Democratic Sen. Jim Ananich has been voted the Senate minority leader for next term by his Senate Democratic peers. Senate Democrats also elected Sen. Morris Hood III to the post of minority floor leader.

Governor

Governor Rick Snyder has succeeded in his bid for a second term, winning re-election over Democrat Mark Schauer.

Attorney General

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette will keep his seat, beating out Democratic challenger Mark Totten.

Wolf Proposals

Michiganders voted no on two referendums that theoretically would have shot down the idea of wolf hunting in the state, had the legislature not already run an end-around.