

Michigan Nurses Association Capitol Action Day 2024 Panelists



Sen. Sylvia Santana is the lead sponsor of SB 334, Minimum Staffing Ratios. Sen. Santana is a public servant who has successfully helped reform the state's justice system for adults and juveniles alike. She has also championed improvements to local government funding, increased funding to Michigan's public schools so students are well-prepared for their future and continues to work on policies that reduce racial disparities in health outcomes. She is serving her second term in the Michigan Senate.

Santana is very involved in her community, where she supports uplifting local organizations and individuals who are working hard to make the area the best place to live, work, and play. She is proud of the many cultures across the district and is deeply invested in efforts toward equity for women of color as it relates to businesses, health care, and more.

Sen. Stephanie Chang is the lead sponsor of SB 335, which would put a limit to excessive use of overtime for nurses. Sen. Chang has built a strong track record of getting things done for Michigan. In the state legislature, she has led on air quality and environmental justice, criminal justice reforms, affordable, safe drinking water, and immigrants' rights issues. She has passed bipartisan legislation on a range of issues including sexual assault education and prevention, an address confidentiality program for survivors of domestic violence, the COVID-19 water shutoff moratorium, female genital mutilation, nitrous oxide "whip-its", reentry services for wrongfully convicted individuals who were exonerated, improving Michigan's maritime economy, support of community crisis response to mental health emergencies, and establishing Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution. She is proud to have helped secure a historic community benefits agreement for Southwest Detroit residents near the Gordie Howe International Bridge and is active in her district advocating for the community's needs.



Sen. Jeremy Moss is the lead sponsor for SB 336, which would require hospitals to publicly disclose their nurse-to-patient ratios. Sen. Moss has prioritized policies supporting local government and local communities, as well as increasing transparency in state government. He is the President Pro Tempore of the Michigan Senate, where he is also serving his second term. Always looking to build relationships across the aisle, Moss has successfully had legislation signed into law to reduce unfair employment barriers for people with past criminal records, help homeowners make home improvements by lowering property taxes, allow public-private partnerships to rebuild crumbling bridges, and to create more pathways for students who dropped out of high school so they can complete their degree.