

# Reapportionment: Dems eye Broomfield seat

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Chambers of commerce and state Republicans are raising money for a 1990 battle over congressional and legislative reapportionment. They fully expect organized labor will be active on the Democratic side.

"Reapportionment gives us in the business community the best chance to see change in Congress, the state Legislature and county boards," said Robert LaBrant, vice president, general counsel and lobbyist for the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce.

Metropolitan suburbs could lose two congressional seats, gain a state Senate seat and probably gain a state House seat, he said. The party that wins control of the State Capitol in 1990 will write the reapportionment laws.

With 98 percent of U.S. representatives routinely reelected, LaBrant told a western Oakland County audience, the makeup of Congress can be changed only after a 10-year U.S. census.

"Reapportionment is the most important political decision to be made in a decade," he told a luncheon audience of chamber leaders in Novi.

MICHIGAN WILL lose two of its 18 House seats by 1992, it is widely agreed.

Detroit will continue to have two districts. Somewhere in the suburban ring will absorb the loss," he said.

Republicans will target the 14th District seat of Dennis Hertel, D-De-

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troit. Democrats will target either the 18th District of William Broomfield, R-Birmingham, or the 2nd District of Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth.

Chamber officials are seeking donations of \$19.89 (no corporate checks) for their political action fund to aid candidates. Amy Hamlin of the Novi chamber said the fund will be used only in legislative races, not local ones.

State Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, is leading a Michigan Reapportionment Fund that LaBrant said will raise money for computer support and possible litigation.

He said chambers are being asked to aid that fund. He reported the state chamber gave \$10,000 and local chambers a total of \$12,000. "Attorneys aren't cheap," added Bullard. "It costs money to fight a battle like that."

**BIG WINNERS** in Congress after the census will be California, 4-6 seats; Texas, 3-4; Florida, at least 3; Arizona and Georgia, 1-2 each. Big losers will be New York, 3; Pennsylvania, 2-3; Michigan, Ohio

and Illinois, 2 each.

Congressional reapportionment will be done by act of the Michigan Legislature. Currently the state House is 61-49 Democratic, the Senate is 20-18 Republican, and the governor who signs bills is a Democrat — a possible political deadlock unless the 1990 elections change things.

"In 1992, for the first time since

1968, Republicans may have a shot at control of the state House," said LaBrant, adding that Democrats have their shot, too.

"For us in the business community, politics will not get any cheaper. Swing districts will be very expensive," he said.

**ON THE LEGISLATIVE** side, LaBrant predicted Detroit will lose one of its state Senate seats and that it will probably go somewhere in Oakland or Macomb counties.

Detroit will lose three or four state House seats. Western Oakland and Livingston counties will gain one of them, he predicted.

Reapportionment of the Legislature will be done by the Legislature itself for the first time since the

1950s. Reason: The State Apportionment Commission always had deadlocked, 4-4, along party lines, forcing the high court itself to handle legislative reapportionment. So the State Supreme Court declared the Apportionment Commission invalid.

In 1991, courts will intervene only if the Legislature is deadlocked. The State Supreme Court would handle

legislative reapportionment, the federal court, congressional reapportionment.

In addition, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1986 that partisan gerrymandering is subject to court jurisdiction, LaBrant said. But the courts have never taken a case in which partisan gerrymandering was charged.

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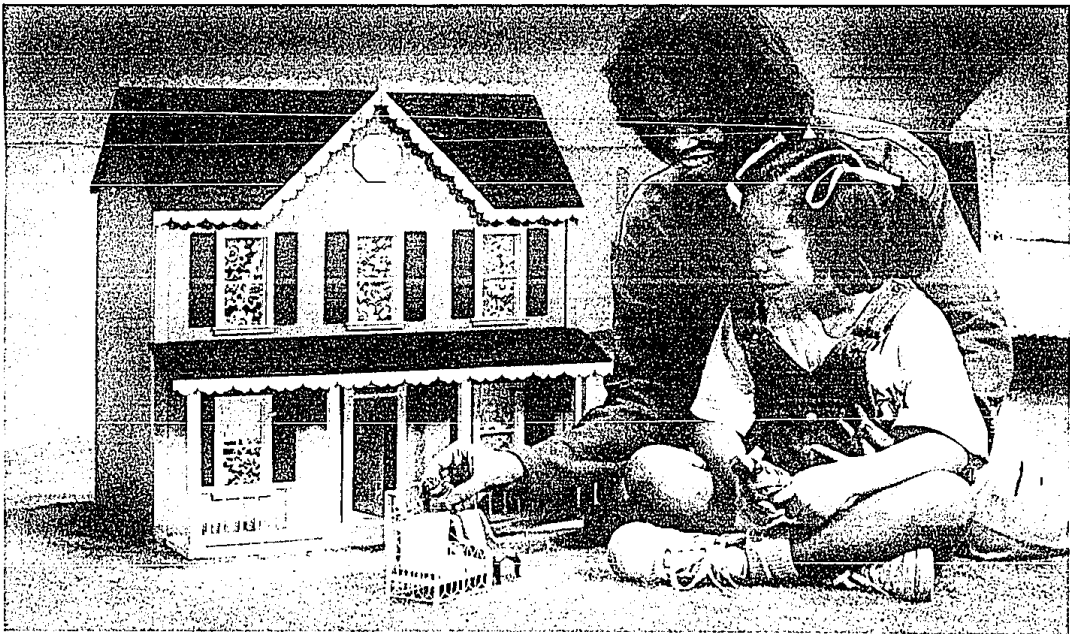
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Scientists made the discovery while searching for a formula to lower cholesterol. In a controlled study of a test group of people, cholesterol levels remained unchanged, but the doctors were astounded to find that every patient who used the formula lost weight. The published report of this study stated: "A highly significant decrease in body weight was seen" in patients who received the formula.

The formula was then tested at another prestigious European university hospital. Again, all patients lost weight even though they did not change their eating habits. The report detailing this study published in the British Journal of Nutrition, stated: "Body weight was significantly reduced even though the patients were specifically asked not to alter their eating habits." One patient in this study lost more than 40 pounds.

According to one informed source, the active ingredient comes from a 100% natural botanical source and contains no drugs or stimulants. When taken before meals, it binds with the food you eat and "ties up" calories, especially those from fats, suppressing their absorption.

A significant portion of the calories ingested therefore pass through the digestive system unabsorbed. The body has to get energy to replace the lost calories, so it starts to burn stored fat, which can result in rapid body weight loss. Clinical testing has verified the safety of this formula for long-term use.

The formula is marketed in capsule form in the United States under the trade name Cal-Ban 3000. A firm located in Tampa, Florida, has exclusive North American distribution rights. A review of the customer files of this company revealed the names of hundreds of people who have lost as much as 20, 40 or 80 or more pounds overall with Cal-Ban 3000. This appears to be a golden opportunity for people who are plagued by fat and cellulite that they can't seem to lose by conventional methods.

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