

# Here's Guide to State Senate Candidates in Monday's Election

STATE SENATOR  
14th District  
(Including Livonia, Plymouth, Township, Northville, Farmington, and a portion of Western Oakland County)

Term: 2 years.

Salary: \$10,000 per year plus \$1,250 expense, plus mileage.

Question Asked: Candidates?

The candidates were asked to limit their replies to 100 words.

1. What do you consider the chief issues facing Michigan today, and how should they be resolved?

modern educational program... Combat juvenile delinquency.

... Insure traffic safety on our streets and highways.

... Continue the fight for fair utility rates and service in the suburbs.

... County government reform with rules clearly spelled out.

Tax revision — The Democratic Party has long demanded tax reform and will put forth every effort to find a solution.

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EDWARD H. McNAMARA: 38; 12728 Dolores, Livonia; Manager at Mich. Bell Tel. Co.; Ph. B. U. of Detroit; Rotary Club of Monroe; Pres. Liv. Meadows Homeowners Assoc.; Vice Pres. Livonia City Council — My major in college was in Political Science. In addition, I have served as a school board member in Drb. Twp for 5½

years (Pres. 2 yrs.) and as a Councilman (3 yrs.) This education and experience has given me an excellent understanding of the needs of the schools and local governments.

1. Tax reform-relief to property tax payers, honest and dependable citizens and a more dependable revenue base to schools.

I believe these can be accomplished by enacting a modified form of the Swain-Sonney fiscal reform plan.

I also believe expansion of the community college program, expanded mental health facilities and improvement in the Workmans Compensation Law are necessary.

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While recognizing that it would be unwise to attempt to replace property taxes with a State Income Tax in one single move, we could start toward that goal with increased deductions in property taxes to be offset by a 1% State Tax. This will allow the state to maintain fiscal

balance in performing the duties of State Senator to wit: the formulation and passing of measures that will be the law of the State.

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