

Legislative Spotlight: State Senator Jim Stamas (R-MI 36)

This is the latest in a monthly series of features on Michigan's legislative leaders, as we take a look at their district, their relationship with our industry and their thoughts on our homestate energy production. These legislative spotlights will be archived in the news section of the MOGA webpage and featured in MOGA's bi-weekly newsletter as well as in Michigan Oil & Gas News Monthly Report Editions.

We encourage you to reach out to the featured elected officials to thank them for supporting Michigan's oil and gas industry and to share the great work we do in their district.

MOGA has county-by-county fact sheets detailing the positive impact our industry has in every county of the state for your use. You can find these online at Michiganoilandgas.org or contact Michael at mcornelius@michiganoilandgas.org for more fact sheets.

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Senator Jim Stamas was first elected to the Michigan Senate in 2014 and re-elected in 2018 to represent Michigan's 36th state senate district. The district includes the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle.

The second term senator serves as the chair of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee and the Appropriations General Government subcommittee.

Before serving in the Senate, Stamas served three terms as State Representative, during two of which he was elected to serve as Majority Floor Leader. Prior to his terms in the state house, Stamas served two terms as a Midland County commissioner. He also was a Midland Township trustee from 1997–2004 and has served on the boards of the Midland Downtown Development Authority, Midland Downtown Business Association and Midland County Planning Commission.

In addition to his public service, Stamas served his country honorably in both the U.S. Army and the Michigan National Guard.

Throughout his legislature tenure, Senator Stamas has supported Michigan's energy industry. He joined MOGA members for the October membership meeting in 2018 and

has participated in the industry's petroleum luncheon in Lansing every year.

"Michigan's oil and gas producers provide affordable, safe and reliable resources to fuel our economy and heat our homes," said Sen. Stamas. "I want to thank our in-state producers who employ thousands of Michigan workers, support our local communities, and work hard to protect our environment."

Senator Stamas holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Northwood University and an associate's degree in business management from Delta College. He is the owner and former general manager of Pizza Sam's, the Midland eatery the Stamas family has owned for more than 50 years. Prior to running that

business, Stamas was self-employed as a realtor and was project manager at Case Systems. The Senator and his wife, Marsha, have been married for more than 30 years and have a daughter and a son.

The Senator does not have any in-district office hours scheduled, but welcomes phone calls or emails to his office. We encourage you to reach out to Senator Stamas by email at senjstamas@senate.michigan.gov or by phone at 517-373-7946 to thank him for supporting Michigan's oil and gas industry and share the great work we do in his district.



Shown welcoming Senator Jim Stamas (right) to the 2018 Annual Membership Meeting of MOGA at Sojourn Lakeside Resort are (left to right): 2018–19 MOGA Chairman Joel Myler, MOGA President Erin McDonough, and Sojourn Lakeside Resort owners Janice Lampert and Past MOGA Chairman Scott Lampert.

Michigan Oil and Gas Industry Economic Impact: Michigan Senate District 36

County	Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Projects	MNRTF Grants	Total Jobs (Direct and Induced)	Local Property Taxes Paid	Private Royalty Payments (2014)	All-Time Crude Oil Prod. (in 42 gal. bbl)	All-Time Nat. Gas Prod. (in Mcf)
MI 36	102	\$30,148,508	3,564	\$6,748,000	\$75,708,000	311,138,506	3,354,279,691
Alcona	5	\$644,100	74	\$99,000	\$4,010,000	2,837	100,514,215
Alpena	19	\$4,897,866	154	\$295,000	\$6,632,000	575,491	249,911,806
Arenac	5	\$2,140,700	201	\$339,000	\$2,143,000	55,362,591	49,268,067
Gladwin	6	\$801,689	9	\$20,000	\$3,445,000	41,869,523	19,859,877
Iosco	22	\$5,187,600	57	\$81,000	\$23,000	1,909,281	11,437,986
Midland	11	\$2,604,915	293	\$477,000	\$1,260,000	85,078,011	15,487,870
Montmorency	8	\$897,278	266	\$529,000	\$20,816,000	2,258,857	1,062,863,760
Oscoda	—	—	11	\$460,000	\$4,131,000	1,800,331	176,689,827
Otsego	17	\$9,518,860	2,433	\$4,333,000	\$31,772,000	110,186,680	1,629,742,878
Presque Isle	16	\$4,986,400	66	\$115,000	\$1,476,000	12,094,904	38,503,405