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Appendix A lists all past and present African American legislators, their districts, and the years they served. It notes when a legislator was appointed, resigned, or did not run for re-election (if that information is available).

Appendix B lists leadership and committee leadership positions that African American legislators have held.

Appendix C reports on African American legislators in each General Assembly, starting in 1876. Beginning with the 93rd General Assembly (2002-03), it reflects both elected and appointed members (available sources do not consistently report information on appointees to earlier General Assemblies). Appendix C also reports the number of African Americans who were elected to each General Assembly, followed in parentheses by the number (if any) who were appointed.

Appendix D lists the number of General Assemblies served by each African American legislator.

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Note

1. Heise, "Cecil Partee, Pioneer in Politics," *Chicago Tribune*, Aug. 17, 1994 (statement by former Lieutenant Governor Paul Simon, based on Illinois Constitution of 1870, Art. 5, sec. 19).

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Year first elected or appointed to each house</i>	<i>Years served*</i>	<i>District(s) represented</i>
<b>SERVED IN BOTH HOUSES</b>			
Alexander, Ethel Skyles (D) <sup>1</sup>	1978 H 1986 S	1979-83; 1983-86 1986-93	26; 32 16
Brookins, Howard B. (D)	1982 H 1986 S	1983-87 1987-93	36 18
Collins, Annazette (D) <sup>2</sup>	2000 H 2011 S	2001-11 2011-13	10 5
Hall, Kenneth (D) <sup>3</sup>	1966 H 1970 S	1967-71 1971-73; 1973-95	56 54; 57
Jefferies, Elga L. (D) <sup>4</sup>	2002 S 2006 H	2002-03 2006-09	3 26
Jones, Emil Jr. (D) <sup>5</sup>	1972 H 1982 S	1973-83 1983-93; 1993-2009	28 17; 14
King, William E. (R)	1924 H 1934 S	1925-27; 1929-35 1935-39	3 3
McLendon, James A. (D)	1964 H  1978 S	1965-67; 1969-73 1973-79 1979-83	24 22 34
Partee, Cecil A. (D)	1956 H 1966 S	1957-59; 1959-67 1967-77	22; 21 26
Roberts, Adelbert H. (R)	1918 H 1924 S	1919-25 1925-35	3 3
Shaw, William "Bill" (D)	1982 H 1992 S	1983-93 1993-2003	34 15
<u>Sims, Elgie R. Jr. (D)<sup>6</sup></u>	2012 H 2018 S	2012-18 2018-	34 17
Smith, Fred J. (D)	1942 H 1954 S	1943-55 1955-57; 1957-67; 1967-79	3 3; 11; 22
Smith, Margaret (D) <sup>7</sup>	1980 H 1982 S	1981-83 1983-93; 1993-2002	22 12; 3

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Taylor, James C. (D)	1968 H 1980 S 1982 H	1969-81 1981-83 1983-85	26 26 31
Trotter, Donne E. (D) <sup>8</sup>	1988 H 1992 S	1989-93 1993-2003; 2003-18	25 16; 17
Washington, Harold (D) <sup>9</sup>	1964 H 1976 S	1965-77 1977-81	26 26
<b>SERVED IN SENATE ONLY</b>			
<u>Belt, Christopher R.</u> (D) <sup>10</sup>	2018	2019-	57
Chew, Charles Jr. (D) <sup>11</sup>	1966	1967-83; 1983-86	29; 16
Clayborne, James F. Jr. (D) <sup>12</sup>	1995	1995-2018	57
Collins, Earlean (D)	1976	1977-83; 1983-93; 1993-99	21; 9; 4
Collins, Jacqueline Y. (D)	2002	2003-2022	16
<u>Harris, Napoleon III</u> (D)	2012	2013-	15
Hendon, Rickey R. (D)	1992	1993-2011	5
<u>Hunter, Mattie</u> (D) <sup>13</sup>	2003	2003-	3
Hutchinson, Toi W. (D) <sup>14</sup>	2009	2009-2019	40
<u>Johnson, Adriane</u> (D) <sup>15</sup>	2020	2020-	30
<u>Jones, Emil III</u> (D)	2008	2009-	14
<u>Lightford, Kimberly A.</u> (D)	1998	1998-	4
Meeks, James T. (I; D) <sup>16</sup>	2002	2003-13	15
Newhouse, Richard H. (D) <sup>17</sup>	1966	1967-83; 1983-91	24; 13
Obama, Barack (D) <sup>18</sup>	1996	1997-2004	13
Palmer, Alice J. (D) <sup>19</sup>	1991	1991-96	13

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<u>Peters, Robert</u> (D) <sup>20</sup>	2019	2019-	13
<u>Preston, Willie</u> (D)	2022	2023-	16
Raoul, Kwame (D) <sup>21</sup>	2004	2004-19	13
<u>Simmons, Michael</u> (D) <sup>22</sup>	2021	2021-	7
<u>Turner, Doris</u> (D) <sup>23</sup>	2021-	2021-	48
<u>Van Pelt, Patricia</u> (D)	2012	2013-	5
Wallace, William A. (D)	1938	1939-43	3
Wimbish, Christopher C. (D)	1942	1943-55	3
<b>SERVED IN HOUSE ONLY</b>			
<u>Ammons, Carol</u> (D)	2014	2015-	103
Anthony, John D. (R) <sup>24</sup>	2013	2013-16	75
Armstrong, Charles F. (D) <sup>25</sup>	1956	1957-65	22
Bailey, Patricia (D) <sup>26</sup>	2002	2003-05	6
Barnes, Eugene M. (D) <sup>27</sup>	1970	1971-73; 1973-80	28; 29
Bish, James E. (R)	1892	1893-95	3
Blackwell, George W. (R)	1928	1929-33	1
Boswell, Paul P. (R)	1964	1965-67	†
Braun, Carol Moseley (D) <sup>28</sup>	1978	1979-83; 1983-88	24; 25
Buckner, John C. (R)	1894	1895-97	5
<u>Buckner, Kambium</u> (D) <sup>29</sup>	2019	2019-	26
Bullock, Larry S. (D) <sup>30</sup>	1978	1979-83; 1983-86	22; 23
Burns, Will (D) <sup>31</sup>	2008	2009-11	26
Caldwell, Lewis A.H. (D)	1966	1967-73; 1973-79	29; 24

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<u>Canty, Mary Beth</u> (D)	2022	2023-	54
Carter, James Y. (D)	1954	1955-57; 1957-67; 1967-73	3; 21; 22
Carter, Richard A. (D)	1970	1971-73; 1973-75	19; 20
Clements, Floy (D)	1958	1959-61	22
<u>Collins, Lakesia</u> (D) <sup>32</sup>	2020	2020-	9
Collins, Otis G. (D)	1964	1965-73	21
Colvin, Marlow H. (D) <sup>33</sup>	2001	2001-12	33
Conner, Lycurgus J. (D)	1960	1961-65	22
Conyears-Ervin, Melissa (D) <sup>34</sup>	2016	2017-2019	10
Davis, Corneal A. (D)	1942	1943-57; 1957-67; 1967-79	1; 20; 22
Davis, Monique D. (D) <sup>35</sup>	1986	1987-93; 1993-2016	36; 27
<u>Davis, William</u> (D)	2002	2003-	30
Douglas, Warren B. (R) <sup>36</sup>	1918	1919-23; 1925-29	3
du Buclet, Kimberly (D) <sup>37</sup>	2011	2011-13	26
Dunkin, Kenneth (D) <sup>38</sup>	2002	2003-17	5
Ecton, George F. (R)	1886	1887-89	3
<u>Evans, Marcus C. Jr.</u> (D) <sup>39</sup>	2012	2012-	33
Ewell, Raymond W. (D)	1966	1967-83	29
<u>Flowers, Mary E.</u> (D)	1984	1985-93; 1993-2003; 2003-	31; 21 31
<u>Ford, La Shawn K.</u> (D)	2006	2007-	8
Foster, Cory (D) <sup>40</sup>	2012	2012	7
Gaines, Charles E. (R)	1974	1975-81	29
Gaines, Harris B. (R)	1930	1931-37	1

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Gardner, J. Horace (R)	1956	1957-65; 1967-73	21; 26
Giles, Calvin L. (D) <sup>41</sup>	1993	1993-2007	8
Golar, Esther (D) <sup>42</sup>	2005	2005-15	6
Goodwin, Quentin J. (D)	1978	1979-81	22
<u>Gordon-Booth, Jehan</u> (D)	2008	2009-	92
Graham, Deborah L. (D) <sup>43</sup>	2002	2003-10	78
Graham, Elwood (R)	1956	1957-65; 1967-73	22; 29
Green, Edward D. (R)	1904	1905-07; 1911-13	1
Greene, Ernest A. (R)	1936	1937-45; 1955-57	1
Greenwood, LaToya (D)	2016	2017-2022	114
Griffin, Charles A. (R)	1924	1925-29	1
Harewood, Richard A. (D)	1936	1937-39; 1957-59	3; 20
<u>Harper, Sonya M.</u> (D) <sup>44</sup>	2015	2015-	6
Harris, Willis (D)	1998	1999-2001	29
Henry, William C. (D) <sup>45</sup>	1979	1979-83; 1983	21; 18
Holloway, Robert H. (R)	1972	1973-75	29
Howard, Constance A. "Connie" (D) <sup>46</sup>	1994	1995-2003; 2003-12	32; 34
Huff, Douglas Jr. (D) <sup>47</sup>	1974	1975-83; 1983-88	20; 19
Hutchins, Ozie (D) <sup>48</sup>	1982	1983	17
Jackson, Eddie Lee Sr. (D) <sup>49</sup>	2009	2009-17	114
Jackson, Jesse (R)	1980	1981-83	29
Jackson, Robert R. (R)	1912	1913-19	3
Jefferson, Charles E. (D) <sup>50</sup>	2001	2001-14	67
Jenkins, Charles J. (R)	1930	1931-55	3
Jones, John G. (R)	1900	1901-03	5



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Jones, Lovana "Lou" (D) <sup>51</sup>	1986	1986-93; 1993-2003; 2003-06	23; 5; 26
Jones, Shirley M. (D) <sup>52</sup>	1988	1988-93; 1993-2003	19; 6
<u>Jones, Thaddeus</u> (D)	2010	2011-	29
Kelly, Robin (D) <sup>53</sup>	2002	2003-07	38
Kenner, Howard A. (D)	1994	1995-2003	24
Kersey, George T. (R)	1922	1923-25; 1927-31	3
Lane, Alexander (R)	1906	1907-11	<u>1</u>
LeFlore, Robert Jr. (D) <sup>54</sup>	1982	1983-93; 1993	15; 8
<u>Lilly, Camille Y.</u> (D) <sup>55</sup>	2010	2010-	78
Lucas, Benjamin H. (R)	1916	1917-19	<u>1</u>
Madison, Jesse D. (D)	1974	1975-79	21
Markette, Sharon G. (D) <sup>56</sup>	1983	1983-85	17
Martin, Dudley S. (R)	1940	1941-43	3
Martin, Peggy Smith (D)	1972	1973-75; 1977-79	26
Martin, William L. (R)	1898	1899-1901	5
<u>Mayfield, Rita</u> (D) <sup>57</sup>	2010	2010-	60
McNairy, Melvin (D)	1964	1965-67	†
<u>Meyers-Martin, Debbie</u> (D)	2018	2019-	38
Miller, David E. (D) <sup>58</sup>	2000	2001-10	29
Mitchell, Christian L. (D) <sup>59</sup>	2012	2013-19	26
Moore, Eugene (D) <sup>60</sup>	1993	1993-99	7
Morris, Edward H. (R)	1890	1891-93; 1903-05	1; 3
Morrow, Charles G. (D) <sup>61</sup>	1986	1986-93; 1993-2003; 2003-05	32; 26; 32

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Murphy, Harold (D)	1993	1993-2003	30
<u>Nichols, Cyril</u> (D) <sup>62</sup>	2021	2021-	32
Patrick, Langdon W. (D)	1972	1973-77; 1979-81	21
Patterson, Milton (D) <sup>63</sup>	2004	2005-09	32
Pelt, Owen D. (D)	1966	1967-69	26
Pouncey, Taylor (I) <sup>64</sup>	1974	1975-83; 1983	26; 31
Pugh, Coy (D) <sup>65</sup>	1993	1993-2000	10
Reaves-Harris, Pamela (D) <sup>66</sup>	2014	2015-17	10
Rhem, Sylvester (D)	1981	1981-83; 1983-85	26; 24
Rice, Nelson G.R. Sr. (D)	1982	1983-93	33
Riley, Al (D) <sup>67</sup>	2007	2007-19	38
<u>Robinson, Lamont J. Jr.</u> (D) <sup>68</sup>	2019	2019-	5
Robinson, William H. (D)	1954	1955-65	20
Sharp, Wanda (D) <sup>69</sup>	1999	1999-2001	7
Shumpert, Walter (D) <sup>70</sup>	1976	1977-79	21
Sims, Isaac R. (D)	1966	1967-73; 1973-75	19; 21
Skyles, Charles M. (D)	1944	1945-57	5
<u>Slaughter, Justin</u> (D) <sup>71</sup>	2017	2017-	27
Smith, Aubrey H. (D)	1934	1935-37	49
Smith, Calvin L. (D)	1964	1965-69	24
Smith, Derrick (D) <sup>72</sup>	2011	2011-12; 2013-14	10
<u>Smith, Nicholas K.</u> (D) <sup>73</sup>	2018	2018-	34
Stewart, Monica Faith (D)	1980	1981-83	29
Stratton, Juliana (D) <sup>74</sup>	2016	2017-18	5

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Stroger, Todd H. (D)	1993	1993-2003	31
<u>Tarver, Curtis J. II</u> (D)	2018	2019-	25
Thapedi, André (D) <sup>75</sup>	2008	2009-2021	32
Thomas, John W.E. (R)	1876	1877-79; 1883-87	2; 3
Thompson, Robert L. (D)	1968	1969-73; 1973-75	12; 13
Torrence, A. Andrew (R) <sup>76</sup>	1938	1939-40	3
Turner, Arthur (D) <sup>77</sup>	2010	2010-2020	9
Turner, Arthur L. (D) <sup>78</sup>	1980	1981-83; 1983-93; 1993-2010	21; 18; 9
Turner, Sheadrick B. (R)	1914	1915-17; 1919-29	1
Wallace, Litesa E. (D) <sup>79</sup>	2014	2014-19	67
Warfield, William J. (R)	1928	1929-45	5
Washington, Eddie (D) <sup>80</sup>	2002	2003-10	60
Washington, Genoa S. (R)	1966	1967-73	22
Washington, Jerry (D)	1984	1985-87	24
<u>Welch, Emanuel Chris</u> (D)	2012	2013-	7
Welters, Edward A. (R)	1944	1945-49	1
<u>West, Maurice A. II</u> (D)	2018	2019-	67
White, Jesse C. Jr. (D)	1974	1975-77; 1979-83; 1983-93	13; 8
<u>Williams, Jawaharial</u> (D) <sup>81</sup>	2019	2019-	10
Williams, Paul L. (D)	1986	1987-93	24
Williamson, Clarence B. (D) <sup>82</sup>	1980	1980-81	29
Wilson, Kenneth E. (D)	1954	1955-57; 1957-65	5; 21
Winters, Eddie (D) <sup>83</sup>	2012	2012-13	10

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Yarbrough, Karen (D) <sup>84</sup>	2000	2001-12	7
Young, Anthony L. (D)	1984	1985-93	17
Younge, Wyvetter H. (D) <sup>85</sup>	1974	1975-83; 1983-93; 1993-2008	57; 113; 114

Sources: Compiled by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability from Harold F. Gosnell, *Negro Politicians: The Rise of Negro Politics in Chicago* (1934), pp. 375-76; listing from Illinois State Historical Library entitled "Negro Legislators in Illinois, 1934-1964;" *Illinois Blue Books*; *Handbooks of the Illinois General Assembly*; and General Assembly Internet site.

## General notes:

- \* Where two adjacent ranges of years are listed for a member, the member's district changed due to redistricting. No interruption in service occurred unless so noted in an endnote.
- † No House districts are shown for the 74th General Assembly, elected in 1964, because all House members were elected at large that year due to the General Assembly's failure to redistrict the House.

## Notes on individual members:

1. Ethel Skyles Alexander was appointed on July 16, 1986 to fill the vacancy due to the death of Charles Chew Jr.
2. Annazette Collins was appointed on December 9, 2000 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Representative Coy Pugh. She was appointed on March 14, 2011 to replace Senator Rickey R. Hendon, who resigned on February 24, 2011.
3. Kenneth Hall died on March 21, 1995.
4. Both Elga L. Jefferies and Mattie Hunter were appointed on December 19, 2002 to replace Senator Margaret Smith, who had resigned December 12, 2002. Elga L. Jefferies held the seat until January 8, 2003, when Mattie Hunter was sworn in. In 2006, Elga L. Jefferies was appointed to complete the term of the late Representative Lovana "Lou" Jones.
5. Emil Jones Jr. did not run for re-election in 2008.
6. Elgie R. Sims Jr. was appointed on August 3, 2012 to replace Representative Constance A. "Connie" Howard, who had resigned. He was appointed to the Senate on January 26, 2018 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Donne Trotter. He was elected in 2018 to the 101st General Assembly.
7. Senator Margaret Smith resigned on December 12, 2002.
8. Senator Donne E. Trotter was appointed on December 1, 1988 to replace Carol Moseley Braun, who had resigned to become Cook County Recorder of Deeds. He resigned his seat on January 19, 2018 and was replaced by then-Representative Elgie R. Sims, Jr.
9. Harold Washington resigned his seat on January 5, 1981 after being elected to Congress.

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10. Christopher R. Belt was appointed on January 4, 2019 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of James F. Clayborne Jr. from the 100th General Assembly. He was elected in 2018 to the 101st General Assembly.
11. Charles Chew, Jr. died on July 3, 1986.
12. James F. Clayborne, Jr. was appointed on April 17, 1995 to fill the vacancy due to the death of Kenneth Hall. He did not run for re-election in 2018, and resigned on December 31, 2018. Christopher R. Belt was appointed to fill the resulting vacancy for the 100th General Assembly. He was elected in 2018 to the 101st General Assembly.
13. Both Elga L. Jefferies and Mattie Hunter were appointed on December 19, 2002 to replace Senator Margaret Smith, who had resigned December 12, 2002. Elga L. Jefferies held the seat until January 8, 2003, when Mattie Hunter was sworn in.
14. Toi W. Hutchinson was appointed in January 2009 to replace Debbie Halvorson, who had been elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. She resigned on November 3, 2019 to take a position in the Pritzker administration. She was replaced by Patrick J. Joyce.
15. Adriane Johnson was appointed on October 11, 2020 due to the resignation of Terry Link.
16. James T. Meeks was elected in 2002 as an independent, and in 2006 was re-elected as a Democrat.
17. Richard H. Newhouse resigned on May 25, 1991.
18. Barack Obama was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2004. On November 6, 2004, Kwame Raoul was appointed to replace him.
19. Alice J. Palmer was appointed on June 6, 1991 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Richard H. Newhouse.
20. Robert Peters was appointed on January 6, 2019 to fill the vacancy after Kwame Raoul was elected Attorney General and resigned his Senate seat.
21. Kwame Raoul was appointed on November 6, 2004 to fill the seat vacated by U.S. Senator-elect Barack Obama. He was elected Attorney General in 2018 and resigned his Senate seat on January 5, 2019. Robert Peters was appointed to fill the resulting vacancy.
22. Michael Simmons was appointed on February 6, 2021 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Heather A. Steans.
23. Doris Turner was appointed on February 6, 2021 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Andy Manar to take a position in the Pritzker administration.
24. John D. Anthony was appointed on August 26, 2013 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Pam Roth. He resigned June 17, 2016 to take a position in the Department of Corrections.
25. Charles F. Armstrong died on March 8, 1965.
26. Patricia Bailey resigned on November 29, 2005.
27. Eugene M. Barnes resigned January 1, 1980 to become chairman of the Chicago Transit Authority.
28. Carol Moseley Braun was elected Cook County Recorder of Deeds, and resigned her seat on December 1, 1988.
29. Kambium Buckner was appointed on January 18, 2019 to fill the vacancy after Christian L. Mitchell resigned to become Deputy Governor.
30. Larry S. Bullock resigned on December 2, 1986.
31. Will Burns resigned in May 2011 after being elected a Chicago alderman. Kimberly du Buclet was appointed to fill the resulting vacancy on May 16, 2011.
32. Lakesia Collins was appointed on July 24, 2020 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Arthur Turner.

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33. Marlow H. Colvin was appointed on October 3, 2001 to complete the term of Todd H. Stroger. He resigned in late March 2012 to take a position as Vice-President for Government Affairs at Commonwealth Edison. Marcus C. Evans, Jr. was appointed to replace him.
34. Melissa Conyears-Ervin was appointed to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Pamela Reaves-Harris on January 8, 2017. She was elected in 2016 to the 100th General Assembly. On May 3, 2019 she resigned from the House after being elected Chicago City Treasurer. Jawaharial Williams was appointed to the seat she vacated.
35. Monique D. Davis resigned on December 30, 2016. Justin Slaughter was appointed on January 5, 2017 to fill the resulting vacancy for both the 99th and 100th General Assemblies.
36. Warren B. Douglas was also elected to the 59th General Assembly (1935-37), but died on December 3, 1934 before being sworn in.
37. Kimberly du Buclet was appointed on May 16, 2011 to fill the vacancy due to the election of Will Burns as a Chicago alderman. She did not run in 2012.
38. Kenneth Dunkin lost the primary election in 2016 to Juliana Stratton, who then won the general election.
39. Marcus C. Evans, Jr. was appointed to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Marlow H. Colvin.
40. Cory Foster was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the election of Karen Yarbrough as Cook County Recorder of Deeds. He did not run for election, but returned to his previous position in Governor Quinn's legislative office.
41. Calvin L. Giles was appointed on May 18, 1993 to fill the vacancy due to the death of Robert LeFlore, Jr. He lost the 2006 Democratic primary election.
42. Esther Golar was appointed on December 27, 2005 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Patricia Bailey. Esther Golar died September 21, 2015. Sonya M. Harper was appointed on October 20, 2015 to fill the seat.
43. Deborah L. Graham resigned to take a Chicago city council seat in 2010. The resulting vacancy was filled by Camille Y. Lilly.
44. Sonya M. Harper was appointed on October 20, 2015 to fill the vacancy due to the death of Esther Golar. She was then elected to the 100th General Assembly.
45. William C. Henry was appointed on April 18, 1979 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Walter Shumpert. He was elected to the Chicago City Council and resigned his House seat on April 25, 1983.
46. Constance A. "Connie" Howard resigned on July 9, 2012. The resulting vacancy was filled by the appointment of Elgie R. Sims, Jr.
47. Douglas Huff Jr. resigned on September 8, 1988.
48. Ozie Hutchins resigned on September 21, 1983.
49. Eddie Lee Jackson Sr. was appointed in 2009 to replace the late Representative Wyvetter H. Younge. He did not run for re-election in 2016.
50. Charles E. Jefferson was appointed on April 22, 2001 to complete the term of Representative Doug Scott. He resigned on July 2, 2014. The resulting vacancy was filled by the appointment of Litesa E. Wallace, his former chief of staff.
51. Lovana "Lou" Jones was appointed on December 3, 1986 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Larry S. Bullock. She died in 2006, and Elga L. Jefferies was appointed to replace her.
52. Shirley M. Jones was appointed on September 9, 1988 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Douglas Huff, Jr.

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53. Robin Kelly resigned to become Chief of Staff to State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias. Al Riley was appointed on January 1, 2007 to replace her.
54. Robert LeFlore Jr. died on May 3, 1993.
55. Camille Y. Lilly was appointed on April 24, 2010 to replace Deborah L. Graham, who had resigned to fill the 29th ward Chicago city council seat.
56. Sharon G. Markette was appointed on October 18, 1983 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Ozie Hutchins.
57. Rita Mayfield was appointed on July 7, 2010 to fill the vacancy due to the death of Representative Eddie Washington.
58. David E. Miller resigned and ran for state Comptroller in 2010, losing to Judy Baar Topinka.
59. Christian L. Mitchell resigned on January 11, 2019 after being appointed Deputy Governor.
60. Eugene Moore resigned on January 27, 1999 to become Cook County Recorder of Deeds.
61. Charles G. Morrow was appointed on July 16, 1986 to fill the vacancy due to the appointment of Representative Ethel Skyles Alexander to the Senate.
62. Cyril Nichols was appointed on April 8, 2021 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of André Thapedi.
63. Milton Patterson did not run for re-election in 2008.
64. Taylor Pouncey resigned on March 8, 1983.
65. Annazette Collins was appointed on December 9, 2000 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Representative Coy Pugh.
66. Pamela Reaves-Harris did not run for re-election in 2016. She resigned on January 6, 2017 and was replaced in the 99th General Assembly by Melissa Conyears-Ervin, who had been elected to that seat for the 100th General Assembly.
67. Al Riley was appointed in 2007 to replace Robin Kelly, who had resigned to become Chief of Staff to State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias. He did not run for re-election in 2018.
68. Lamont J. Robinson Jr. was appointed on January 2, 2019 to fill the vacancy when Juliana Stratton resigned after being elected Lieutenant Governor.
69. Wanda Sharp was appointed on January 29, 1999 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Eugene Moore.
70. Walter Shumpert was elected as a Chicago alderman and resigned his General Assembly seat on April 15, 1979.
71. Justin Slaughter was appointed on January 5, 2017 for both the 99th and 100th General Assemblies to fill the seat held by Monique D. Davis until her resignation.
72. Derrick Smith was appointed on March 25, 2011 to fill the vacancy of Annazette Collins, who had been appointed to the Senate. He was expelled from the House on August 17, 2012, and Eddie Winters was appointed to fill his seat. Derrick Smith was re-elected to the House for the 98th General Assembly. He was convicted of bribery and removed from office on June 10, 2014. The seat remained vacant until Pamela Reaves-Harris was elected to the 99th General Assembly.
73. Nicholas K. Smith was appointed on February 2, 2018 to fill the vacancy of Elgie Sims, Jr., who had been appointed to the Senate.
74. Juliana Stratton defeated Kenneth Dunkin in the primary election in 2016, and then won the general election. She resigned on December 31, 2018 after being elected Lieutenant Governor. Lamont J. Robinson, Jr. was appointed to fill the vacancy.
75. André Thapedi resigned on March 17, 2021. Cyril Nichols was appointed to fill the seat.
76. A. Andrew Torrence died on April 8, 1940.

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77. Arthur Turner was appointed on November 23, 2010 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of his father, Arthur L. Turner, who sought the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. He resigned on July 3, 2020. Lakesia Collins was appointed to fill the resulting vacancy.
78. Arthur L. Turner was elected to the 21st House district in 1980, but was defeated for re-election in 1982. On April 27, 1983 he was appointed to fill the vacancy in the 18th House district due to the resignation of William C. Henry. He resigned in 2010 to seek the nomination for Lieutenant Governor.
79. Litesa E. Wallace was appointed to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Charles E. Jefferson. She did not run for re-election to the House in 2018 after being chosen as Daniel Biss' running mate for Lieutenant Governor.
80. Eddie Washington died on June 4, 2010. Rita Mayfield was appointed to replace him.
81. Jawaharial Williams was appointed on May 17, 2019 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Melissa Conyears-Ervin after her election as Chicago City Treasurer.
82. Clarence B. Williamson was appointed on January 12, 1980 to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Eugene M. Barnes.
83. Eddie Winters was appointed to fill the vacancy due to Derrick Smith's expulsion. He ran for re-election, but lost the primary election to Smith.
84. Karen Yarbrough resigned on December 1, 2012 to become Cook County Reporter of Deeds. Cory Foster was appointed to fill the resulting vacancy, but did not run for election. Emanuel Chris Welch was elected to that seat in the 98th General Assembly.
85. Wyvetter H. Younge died on December 26, 2008. Eddie Lee Jackson Sr. was appointed to replace her.



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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable†</i>
<b>SERVED IN BOTH HOUSES</b>		
<b>Alexander, Ethel Skyles (D)</b>		
1979 House	-	
1981	-	
1983	Vice-Chairperson	Cities & Villages
1985	Chairperson	Elections
	Vice-Chairperson	Urban Development
1987 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Elections & Reapportionment
1989	Chairperson	Elections & Reapportionment
1991	Chairperson	Elections & Reapportionment
<b>Brookins, Howard B. (D)</b>		
1983 House	-	
1985	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
1987 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation
1989	Chairperson	Transportation
1991	Chairperson	Transportation
<b>Collins, Annazette (D)</b>		
2001 House	Vice-Chairperson	State Government Administration
2003	Chairperson	Juvenile Justice Reform
2005	Chairperson	Public Utilities
2007	Chairperson	Juvenile Justice Reform
	Chairperson	Public Utilities
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II—Criminal Law
2009	Chairperson	Juvenile Justice Reform
	Chairperson	Public Utilities
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II—Criminal Law
2011 Senate	-	
<b>Hall, Kenneth (D)</b>		
1967 House	-	
1969	-	
1971 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation
1973	-	
1975	Chairperson	Committees
1977	-	
1979	-	
1981	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive
1983	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive

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Hall, Kenneth (D) (cont'd)		
1985	Chairperson	Appropriations II
1987	Chairperson	Appropriations II
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive
1989	Chairperson	Appropriations II
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive
1991	Chairperson	Appropriations II
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive
1993	Minority Spokesperson	Appropriations
Jefferies, Elga L. (D)		
2002 Senate	-	
2006 House	-	
2007	Vice-Chairperson	Prison Reform
Jones, Emil Jr. (D)		
1973 House	-	
1975	-	
1977	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
1979	Chairperson	Insurance
1981	Assistant Minority Leader	
1983 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
1985	Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
1987	Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
	Vice-Chairperson	Local Government
1989	Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
	Vice-Chairperson	Local Government
1991	Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
1993	Minority Leader	
1995	Minority Leader	
1997	Minority Leader	
1999	Minority Leader	
2001	Minority Leader	
2003	President of the Senate	
2005	President of the Senate	
2007	President of the Senate	
King, William E. (R)		
1925 House	-	
1929	-	
1931	-	

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<b>King, William E. (R)</b> (cont'd)		
1933	-	
1935 Senate	-	
1937	-	
<b>McLendon, James A. (D)</b>		
1965 House	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
1977	Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
1979 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary I
1981	Chairperson	Judiciary I
<b>Partee, Cecil A. (D)</b>		
1957 House	-	
1959	-	
1961	Vice-Chairperson	Elections & Reapportionment
1963	-	
1965	Chairperson	Elections
1967 Senate	Minority Spokesperson	Savings & Loan Division of Financial Institutions
1969	Minority Spokesperson	Education
	Minority Spokesperson	Savings & Loan Division of Financial Institutions
1971	President Pro Tempore Chairperson	Rules
1973	Minority Leader Minority Spokesperson Minority Spokesperson	Committee on Committees Executive
1975	President of the Senate Chairperson	Rules
<b>Roberts, Adelbert H. (R)</b>		
1919 House	-	
1921	-	
1923	-	
1925 Senate	Chairperson	Criminal Procedure
1927	Chairperson	Criminal Procedure
1929	Chairperson	Criminal Procedure
1931	Chairperson	Lincoln Memorial
1933	-	

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<b>Shaw, William "Bill" (D)</b>		
1983 House	-	
1985	-	
1987	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
1989	Chairperson	Aeronautics
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
1991	Chairperson	Constitutional Officers
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
1993 Senate	-	
1995	Assistant Minority Leader	
1997	Assistant Minority Leader	
1999	Assistant Minority Leader	
2001	Assistant Minority Leader	
	Minority Spokesperson	Environment & Energy
<b><u>Sims, Elgie R. Jr. (D)</u></b>		
2012 House	-	
2013	Vice-Chairperson	Mass Transit
2015	Chairperson	Judiciary—Criminal
2017	Chairperson	Judiciary—Criminal
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue & Finance
2018 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary
2019	Chairperson	Judiciary
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
2021	Chairperson	Appropriations
	Vice-Chairperson	Criminal Law
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations
2023	Majority Caucus	
	Appropriations Leader	
<b>Smith, Fred J. (D)</b>		
1943 House	-	
1945	-	
1947	-	
1949	Vice-Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
1951	-	
1953	-	
1955 Senate	-	
1957	-	
1959	-	
1961	-	
1963	-	
1965	-	

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1967	Minority Spokesperson	Credit Regulations of Division of Financial Institutions
Smith, Fred J. (D) (cont'd)	Minority Spokesperson	Public Welfare & Registration and Miscellany
1969	Minority Spokesperson	Credit Regulations of Division of Financial Institutions
	Minority Spokesperson	Public Welfare & Registration and Miscellany
1971	Chairperson	Committee on Committees
	Chairperson	Welfare
1973	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
1975	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
1977	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
	Vice-Chairperson	Elections & Reapportionment
Smith, Margaret (D)		
1981 House		
1983 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
1985	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance, Pensions & Licensed Activities
1987	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
1989	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
	Vice-Chairperson	Labor
1991	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
	Vice-Chairperson	Labor
1993	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health & Welfare
1995	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health & Welfare
1997	Deputy Minority Caucus Chair	
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II—Criminal Law
	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health & Welfare
1999	Minority Caucus Chair	
2001	Minority Caucus Chair	
Taylor, James C. (D)		
1969 House		
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	Chairperson	Cities & Villages
1977	Chairperson	Cities & Villages
1979	Assistant Majority Leader	
1981 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Local Government
1983 House	Chairperson	Elections

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<b>Trotter, Donne E. (D)</b>		
1989 House	-	
1991	Vice-Chairperson	Health Care
1993 Senate	-	
1995	Minority Spokesperson	Local Government & Elections
1997	Minority Spokesperson	Appropriations
1999	Minority Spokesperson	Appropriations
2001	Minority Spokesperson	Appropriations
2003	Chairperson	Appropriations
2005	Chairperson	Appropriations I
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
2007	Majority Caucus Whip	
	Chairperson	Appropriations I
	Vice-Chairperson	Environment & Energy
2009	Chairperson	Appropriations I
	Co-Chairperson	Committee on Deficit Reduction
2011	Majority Caucus	
	Chairperson	
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
2013	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
2015	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
2017	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations I
<b>Washington, Harold (D)</b>		
1965 House	-	
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	Chairperson	Judiciary I
1977 Senate	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II
1979	Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
<b>SERVED IN SENATE ONLY</b>		
<b><u>Belt, Christopher R. (D)</u></b>		
2019	-	
2019	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2021	Chairperson	Education
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety & Infrastructure
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation

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<b>Chew, Charles Jr. (D)</b>		
1967	Minority Spokesperson	Industrial Affairs
1969	Minority Spokesperson	Industrial Affairs
1971	Chairperson	Transportation
1973	Minority Spokesperson	Transportation & Public Utilities
1975	Chairperson	Transportation
1977	Chairperson	Transportation
1979	Chairperson	Transportation
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Health, Welfare & Corrections
1981	Chairperson	Transportation
1983	Chairperson	Transportation
1985	Assistant Majority Leader	
<b>Clayborne, James F. Jr. (D)</b>		
1995	-	
1997	-	
1999	Minority Spokesperson	Revenue
2001	Minority Spokesperson	Revenue
2003	Majority Caucus Whip	
	Chairperson	Environment & Energy
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Pension Investments
2005	Majority Caucus Whip	
	Chairperson	Environment & Energy
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2007	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Environment & Energy
2009	Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
	Sub-Chairperson	Executive Subcommittee on Amendments
2011	Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
2013	Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
2015	Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
2017	Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary
<b>Collins, Earlean (D)</b>		
1977	Vice-Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
1979	Vice-Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
1981	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
1983	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce

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<b>Collins, Earlean (D)</b> (cont'd)		
1985	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
1987	Chairperson	Transportation
	Vice-Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
1989	-	
1991	Assistant Majority Leader	
1993	Assistant Minority Leader	
1995	Minority Spokesperson	Executive
1997	Minority Spokesperson	Executive
 <b>Collins, Jacqueline Y. (D)</b>		
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue
2005	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations I
	Sub-Chairperson	Revenue Subcommittee on Special Issues
2007	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Sub-Chairperson	Subcommittee on Housing
2009	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2011	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2013	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2015	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2017	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2019	Majority Caucus Whip	
	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2021	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Criminal Law
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
 <b><u>Harris, Napoleon III (D)</u></b>		
2013	-	
2015	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2017	Chairperson	Agriculture
	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce and Economic Development
2019	Chairperson	Insurance
	Vice-Chairperson	Telecommunications & Information
	Technology	
2021	Majority Caucus Whip	
	Chairperson	Insurance
	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce
	Co-Chairperson	Pension Investments



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<u>Harris, Napoleon III (D)</u>		
(cont'd)		
2023	Chairperson Majority Caucus Whip	Insurance
<u>Hendon, Rickey R. (D)</u>		
1993	-	
1995	Minority Spokesperson	State Government Operations
1997	Minority Spokesperson	Executive Appointments
1999	Minority Spokesperson	Licensed Activities
2001	-	
2003	Assistant Majority Leader Vice-Chairperson Co-Chairperson	Environment & Energy Executive Appointments
2005	Assistant Majority Leader Co-Chairperson	Executive Appointments
2007	Assistant Majority Leader Chairperson Chairperson	Executive Appointments Rules
2009	Assistant Majority Leader Vice-Chairperson	Executive
<u>Hunter, Mattie (D)</u>		
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Health & Human Services
2005	Chairperson	Appropriations III
2007	Chairperson	Appropriations III
2009	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Sub-Chairperson	Human Services Public Health Subcommittee on Amendments
2011	Majority Caucus Whip Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Human Services Public Health
2013	Majority Caucus Whip Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Human Services Legislative Petitions Public Health
2015	Majority Caucus Whip Chairperson	Energy and Public Utilities
2017	Majority Caucus Whip Chairperson	Energy
2019	Majority Caucus Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Energy and Public Utilities
2021	Majority Caucus	

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	Chairperson	
<u>Hunter, Mattie</u> (D) (cont'd)	Vice-Chairperson	Ethics
2023	Vice-Chairperson	Executive Appointments
	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice Chairperson	Public Health
	Vice-Chairperson	Executive Appointments
Hutchinson, Toi W. (D)		
2009	Vice-Chairperson	State Government & Veterans Affairs
2011	Chairperson	Revenue
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation
2013	Chairperson	Revenue
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation
2015	Chairperson	Revenue
2017	Chairperson	Revenue
2019	Chairperson	Revenue
<u>Johnson, Adriane</u> (D)		
2020	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Environment and Conservation
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Safety
2023	Chairperson	Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Environment and Conservation
<u>Jones, Emil III</u> (D)		
2009	Vice-Chairperson	Licensed Activities
2011	Chairperson	Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Licensed Activities
2013	Chairperson	Local Government
	Vice-Chairperson	Licensed Activities and Pensions
2015	Chairperson	Local Government
	Vice-Chairperson	Licensed Activities and Pensions
2017	Chairperson	Local Government
	Vice-Chairperson	Licensed Activities and Pensions
2019	Chairperson	Licensed Activities
2021	Deputy Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Licensed Activities
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Safety
2023	-	

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<u>Lightford, Kimberly A. (D)</u>		
1998	-	
1999	-	
2001	Minority Spokesperson	Financial Institutions
2003	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2005	Chairperson	Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Sub-Chairperson	Financial Institutions Predatory Lending
2007	Chairperson	Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
2009	Assistant Majority Leader	
2011	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2013	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2015	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2017	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
2019	Senate Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
2021	Senate Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
2023	Senate Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Assignments
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Education
<u>Meeks, James T. (I; D)</u>		
2003	Vice-Chairperson	State Government
2005	Chairperson	Housing & Community Affairs
	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce & Economic Development
2007	Chairperson	Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Housing & Community Affairs
2009	Chairperson	Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue
2011	Chairperson	Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue
<u>Newhouse, Richard H. (D)</u>		
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	

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<b>Newhouse, Richard H. (D)</b> (cont'd)		
1975	Chairperson	Pensions, Personnel & Veterans Affairs
1977	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
1979	Chairperson	Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
1981	Chairperson	Higher Education
1983	Chairperson	Higher Education
1985	Chairperson	Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue
1987	Assistant Majority Leader	
1989	Chairperson	Commerce & Economic Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
1991	Chairperson	Commerce & Economic Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Affairs
<b>Obama, Barack (D)</b>		
1997	-	
1999	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health & Welfare
2001	Minority Spokesperson	Public Health & Welfare
2003	Chairperson	Health & Human Services
<b>Palmer, Alice J. (D)</b>		
1991	-	
1993	Minority Spokesperson	Commerce & Industry
1995	Minority Spokesperson	Revenue
<b><u>Peters, Robert (D)</u></b>		
2019	-	
2019	Vice-Chairperson	Local Government
2021	Chairperson	Public Safety
2023	Chairperson	Labor
	Vice-Chairperson	Human Rights
<b><u>Preston, Willie (D)</u></b>		
2023	Vice-Chairperson	State Government
<b>Raoul, Kwame (D)</b>		
2004	-	
2005	Vice-Chairperson	Pensions & Investments

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<u>Raoul, Kwame (D)</u> (cont'd)		
2007	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Pensions & Investments Judiciary—Criminal Law
2009	Chairperson Chairperson	Pensions & Investments Redistricting
2011	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson	Criminal Law Pensions & Investments Redistricting
2013	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Co-Chairperson	Criminal Law Judiciary Public Pensions & State Investments
2015	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson	Criminal Law Judiciary
2017	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Criminal Law Judiciary Criminal Law
<u>Simmons, Michael (D)</u>		
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Healthcare Access and Availability
2023	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Human Rights Behavioral and Mental Health
<u>Turner, Doris (D)</u>		
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Veterans Affairs
2023	Chairperson	Agriculture
<u>Van Pelt, Patricia (D)</u>		
2013	-	
2015	Vice-Chairperson	Public Health
2017	Chairperson	Public Health
2019	Chairperson	Public Health
2021	Chairperson	Healthcare Access and Availability
2023	Chairperson	Local Government
<u>Wallace, William A. (D)</u>		
1939	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Reapportionment Civil Service
1941	-	

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<b>Wimbish, Christopher C. (D)</b>		
1943	-	
1945	-	
1947	-	
1949	-	
1951	-	
1953	-	
<b>SERVED IN HOUSE ONLY</b>		
<u>Ammons, Carol (D)</u>		
2015	-	
2017	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
2019	Chairperson	Higher Education
2021	Majority Conference Chairperson	Small Business, Tech Innovation, and Entrepreneurship
2023	Chairperson	Small Business, Tech Innovation, and Entrepreneurship
	Vice-Chairperson	Prescription Drug Affordability & Accessibility
<b>Anthony, John D. (R)</b>		
2013	-	
2015	-	
<b>Armstrong, Charles F. (D)</b>		
1957	-	
1959	-	
1961	-	
1963	-	
1965	Vice-Chairperson	Education
<b>Bailey, Patricia (D)</b>		
2003	2003	
2005	-	
<b>Barnes, Eugene M. (D)</b>		
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations II
1977	Chairperson	Appropriations II
1979	Chairperson	Appropriations II

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Bish, James E. (R) 1893	(Information for that General Assembly is not available.)	
Blackwell, George W. (R) 1929 1931	- -	
Boswell, Paul P. (R) 1965	-	
Braun, Carol Moseley (D) 1979 1981 1983 1985 1987	- - Assistant Majority Leader Vice-Chairperson Assistant Majority Leader Assistant Majority Leader	Human Services
Buckner, John C. (R) 1895	(Information for that General Assembly is not available.)	
<u>Buckner, Kambium</u> (D) 2019 2021 2023	- Vice-Chairperson Assistant Majority Leader Vice-Chairperson	Tourism Appropriations—General Services
Bullock, Larry S. (D) 1979 1981 1983 1985	- - Vice-Chairperson Chairperson	Financial Institutions State Government Administration & Regulatory Review
Burns, Will (D) 2009	-	

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<b>Caldwell, Lewis A.H. (D)</b>		
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
1977	Chairperson	Public Utilities
<u><b>Canty, Mary Beth (D)</b></u>		
2023	-	
<b>Carter, James Y. (D)</b>		
1955	-	
1957	-	
1959	Vice-Chairperson	Banks & Savings & Loan Associations
1961	-	
1963	-	
1965	Vice-Chairperson	Executive
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
<b>Carter, Richard A. (D)</b>		
1971	-	
1973	-	
<b>Clements, Floy (D)</b>		
1959	-	
<u><b>Collins, Lakesia</b></u>		
2020	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Child Care Accessibility & Early Childhood
2023	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility Adoption & Child Welfare
<b>Collins, Otis G. (D)</b>		
1965	-	
1967	-	
1969	-	



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Collins, Otis G. (D) (cont'd) 1971	-	
Colvin, Marlow H. (D) 2001	-	
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Local Government
2005	Chairperson	Consumer Protection
	Vice-Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
2007	Chairperson	Consumer Protection
	Vice-Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
2009	Chairperson	Consumer Protection
	Vice-Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
2011	Majority Conference Chair	
Conner, Lycurgus J. (D) 1961	-	
1963	-	
Conyears-Ervin, Melissa (D) 2017	-	
2017	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance: Property & Casualty
2019	Chairperson	Child Care Accessibility & Early Childhood Education
Davis, Corneal A. (D) 1943	-	
1945	-	
1947	-	
1949	Vice-Chairperson	Enrolling, Transcribing & Typing of Bills
1951	-	
1953	-	
1955	-	
1957	-	
1959	Chairperson	License & Miscellany
1961	Chairperson	Public Aid, Health, Welfare & Safety
1963	-	
1965	Chairperson	Public Aid, Health, Welfare & Safety
1967	-	
1969	-	

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Davis, Corneal A. (D) (cont'd)		
1971	Assistant Minority Leader	
1973	Assistant Minority Leader	
1975	Assistant Majority Leader	
1977	Assistant Majority Leader	
Davis, Monique D. (D)		
1987	-	
1989	Vice-Chairperson	Implementation of Chicago School Reform
1991	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
1993	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
1995	Spokesperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
1997	Chairperson	Appropriations—Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
1999	Chairperson	Appropriations—Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2001	Chairperson	Appropriations—Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2003	Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2005	Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2007	Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2009	Chairperson	Insurance
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2011	Chairperson	Insurance
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2013	Chairperson	Insurance
	Vice-Chairperson	Financial Institutions
2015	Chairperson	Insurance
<u>Davis, William (D)</u>		
2003	-	
2005	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2007	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2009	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Tollway Oversight

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<u>Davis, William</u> (D) (cont'd)		
2011	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2013	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2015	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2017	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2019	Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
	Vice-Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
2021	Assistant Majority Leader	
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson	Executive Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
Douglas, Warren B. (R)		
1919	—	
1921	—	
1925	—	
1927	—	
du Buclet, Kimberly (D)		
2011	—	
Dunkin, Kenneth (D)		
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce & Business Development
2005	Chairperson	Tourism & Conventions
	Vice-Chairperson	Child Support Enforcement
2007	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce & Business Development
	Chairperson	Tourism & Conventions
2009	Vice-Chairperson	Juvenile Justice Reform
2011	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Chairperson	Tourism & Conventions
2013	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Chairperson	Tourism & Conventions
2015	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Chairperson	Tourism & Conventions

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Ecton, George F. (R) 1887	(Information for that General Assembly is not available.)	
<u>Evans, Marcus C. Jr. (D)</u>		
2012	-	
2013	Vice-Chairperson	Business Occupational Licenses
2015	Chairperson	Economic Development & Housing
	Vice-Chairperson	Business & Occupational Licenses
2017	Chairperson	Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges
	Vice-Chairperson	Business & Occupational Licenses
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation: Vehicles & Safety
2019	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue & Finance
2021	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
2023	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Health
<u>Ewell, Raymond W. (D)</u>		
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
1975	-	
1977	Chairperson	Higher Education
1979	-	
1981	-	
<u>Flowers, Mary E. (D)</u>		
1985	-	
1987	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
1989	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
1991	Chairperson	Real Estate Law
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
1993	Assistant Majority Leader	
1995	Spokesperson	Insurance
1997	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access
1999	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access

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Flowers, Mary E. (D) (cont'd)		
2001	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access
	Vice-Chairperson	Commerce & Business Development
2003	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2005	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access
2007	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Access
	Vice-Chairperson	Smart Growth & Regional Planning
2009	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2011	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2013	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2015	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2017	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2019	Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2021	Deputy Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility
2023	Deputy Majority Leader	
<u>Ford, La Shawn K. (D)</u>		
2007	-	
2009	Vice-Chairperson	Youth & Family
2011	Chairperson	Small Business Empowerment & Workforce Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Tollway Oversight
2013	Chairperson	Small Business Empowerment & Workforce Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Health Care Availability and Accessibility
	Vice-Chairperson	Tollway Oversight
2015	Chairperson	Restorative Justice
	Chairperson	Small Business Empowerment
	Vice-Chairperson	Health Care Availability and Accessibility
2017	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Chairperson	Restorative Justice
	Vice-Chairperson	Tourism, Hospitality & Craft Industries
2019	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
2021	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Restorative Justice
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Restorative Justice

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Foster, Cory (D) 2012	-	
Gaines, Charles E. (R) 1975	-	
1977	Minority Spokesperson	Human Resources
1979	-	
Gaines, Harris B. (R) 1931	-	
1933	-	
1935	-	
Gardner, J. Horace (R) 1957	-	
1959	-	
1961	-	
1963	-	
1967	Chairperson	Public Welfare
1969	Chairperson	Public Welfare
1971	Chairperson	Public Welfare
Giles, Calvin L. (D) 1993	-	
1995	-	
1997	Chairperson	State Government Administration & Election Reform
1999	Chairperson	Local Government
2001	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2003	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
2005	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education
Golar, Esther (D) 2005	-	
2007	Vice-Chairperson	Disability Services
2009	Chairperson	Public Policy & Accountability
	Vice-Chairperson	Disability Services
2011	Chairperson	Disability Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Housing

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Golar, Esther (D) (cont'd)		
2013	Vice-Chairperson	Housing
2015	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies
Goodwin, Quentin J. (D)		
1979	-	
<u>Gordon-Booth, Jehan (D)</u>		
2009	-	
2011	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges
2013	Chairperson	Accountability & Administrative Review
2015	Assistant Majority Leader	
2017	Assistant Majority Leader	
2019	Deputy Majority Leader Vice-Chairperson	Child Care Accessibility & Early Childhood Education
2021	Speaker Pro Tempore Chairperson	Child Care Accessibility & Early Childhood Education
2023	Deputy Majority Leader/ Speaker Pro Tempore	
Graham, Deborah L. (D)		
2003	-	
2005	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
2007	Chairperson	Renewable Energy
2009	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Renewable Energy Electric Utility Oversight
Graham, Elwood (R)		
1957	-	
1959	-	
1961	-	
1963	-	
1967	Vice-Chairperson	Banks & Savings and Loan Associations
1969	Vice-Chairperson	Banks & Savings and Loan Associations
1971	Vice-Chairperson	Banks & Savings and Loan Associations

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Green, Edward D. (R)		
1905	-	
1911	-	
Greene, Ernest A. (R)		
1937	-	
1939	Chairperson	Charities & Corrections
1941	Vice-Chairperson	Efficiency & Economy
1943	-	1955 -
Greenwood, LaToya (D)		
2017	-	
2019	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
2021	Majority Conference Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Health Care Availability & Accessibility Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
Griffin, Charles A. (R)		
1925	-	
1927	-	
Harewood, Richard A. (D)		
1937	-	
1957	-	
<u>Harper, Sonya M. (D)</u>		
2015	-	
2017	Vice-Chairperson	Business Incentives for Local Communities
2019	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Economic Opportunity & Equity Agriculture & Conservation
2021	Chairperson	Agriculture & Conservation
2023	Chairperson	Agriculture & Conservation



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Harris, Willis (D) 1999	-	
Henry, William C. (D) 1979 1981 1983	- - -	
Holloway, Robert H. (R) 1973	-	
Howard, Constance A. "Connie" (D) 1995 1997 1999 2001 2003 2005 2007 2009 2011	- Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	 Children & Youth Computer Technology Children & Youth Computer Technology Children & Youth Computer Technology Computer Technology Computer Technology Human Services Judiciary II—Criminal Law Human Services Judiciary II—Criminal Law Human Services
Huff, Douglas Jr. (D) 1975 1977 1979 1981 1983 1985 1987	- - Vice-Chairperson - Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson	  Higher Education  Local School District Reorganization Local School District Reorganization Public Utilities Election Law Local School District Reorganization
Hutchins, Ozie (D) 1983	-	

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Jackson, Eddie Lee Sr. (D)		
2009	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
2011	Chairperson	Armed Forces & Military Affairs
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
2013	Chairperson	Counties & Townships
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
2015	Chairperson	Counties & Townships
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
Jackson, Jesse (R)		
1981	-	
Jackson, Robert R. (R)		
1913	-	
1915	-	
1917	-	
Jefferson, Charles E. (D)		
2001	-	
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Elections & Campaign Reform
2005	Chairperson	Elections & Campaign Reform
2007	Majority Conference Chairperson	
2009	Assistant Majority Leader	
2011	Assistant Majority Leader	
2013	Assistant Majority Leader	
Jenkins, Charles J. (R)		
1931	-	
1933	-	
1935	-	
1937	-	
1939	Chairperson	Judicial Practice & Uniform Laws
1941	Chairperson	Judicial Practice & Uniform Laws
1943	Chairperson	Judicial Practice & Uniform Laws
1945	Chairperson	Judicial Practice & Uniform Laws
1947	-	
1949	-	
1951	Chairperson	Appropriations
1953	Chairperson	Appropriations

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Jones, John G. (R) 1901	(Information for that General Assembly is not available.)	
Jones, Lovana "Lou" (D) 1986	-	
1987	-	
1989	Assistant Majority Leader	
1991	Assistant Majority Leader Chairperson	Reapportionment
1993	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Registration & Regulation Judiciary II
1995	Spokesperson	Registration & Regulation
1997	Assistant Majority Leader	
1999	Assistant Majority Leader	
2001	Assistant Majority Leader	
2003	Assistant Majority Leader	
2005	Assistant Majority Leader Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
Jones, Shirley M. (D) 1988	-	
1989	-	
1991	Vice-Chairperson	Aging
1993	Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Registration & Regulation Judiciary II
1995	Spokesperson	Public Utilities
1997	Chairperson	Public Utilities
1999	Chairperson	Public Utilities
2001	Chairperson Co-Chairperson	Public Utilities Telecommunications Review
<u>Jones, Thaddeus</u> (D) 2011	-	
2013	Vice-Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Cities & Villages Labor & Commerce
2015	Chairperson	Community College Access & Affordability
2017	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson	Labor & Commerce Community College Access & Affordability
2019	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson	Labor & Commerce Insurance

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<u>Jones, Thaddeus</u> (D) (cont'd) 2021 2023	Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson	Labor & Commerce Insurance Insurance
Kelly, Robin (D) 2003 2005 2007	- Vice-Chairperson -	Mass Transit
Kenner, Howard A. (D) 1995 1997 1999 2001	- Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Labor & Commerce State Government Administration State Government Administration Health Care Availability & Accessibility
Kersey, George T. (R) 1923 1927 1929	- - -	
Lane, Alexander (R) 1907 1909	(Information for those General Assemblies is not available.)	
LeFlore, Robert Jr. (D) 1983 1985 1987 1989  1991 1993	- Vice-Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Chairperson	Aging Aging Small Business Aging Appropriations—Human Services Appropriations—Human Services
<u>Lilly, Camille Y.</u> (D) 2010 2011	- Vice-Chairperson Vice-Chairperson	Business Occupational Licenses Health & Healthcare Disparities

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<u>Lilly, Camille Y. (D)</u> (cont'd)		
2013	Chairperson	Museums, Arts, & Cultural Enhancement
	Vice-Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
2015	Chairperson	Museums, Arts, & Cultural Enhancement
	Vice-Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
2017	Chairperson	Insurance: Property & Casualty
	Chairperson	Museums, Arts, & Cultural Enhancement
2019	Chairperson	Financial Institutions
	Chairperson	Museums, Arts, & Cultural Enhancements
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
2021	Chairperson	Appropriations—Human Services
	Chairperson	Museums, Arts, & Cultural Enhancements
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations—Health & Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
Lucas, Benjamin H. (R)		
1917	-	
Madison, Jesse D. (D)		
1975	-	
1977	-	
Markette, Sharon G. (D)		
1983	-	
Martin, Dudley S. (R)		
1941	-	
Martin, Peggy Smith (D)		
1973	-	
1977	-	
Martin, William L. (R)		
1899	(Information for that General Assembly is not available.)	

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<u>Mayfield, Rita (D)</u>		
2010	-	
2011	Vice-Chairperson	Small Business Empowerment & Workforce Development
2013	Chairperson	Police & Fire
	Vice-Chairperson	Energy
2015	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education:
	Licensing Oversight	
2017	Chairperson	Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight
	Vice-Chairperson	Aging
	Vice-Chairperson	Community College Access & Affordability
2019	Chairperson	Appropriations—Elementary & Secondary Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
2021	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Police & Fire Committee
2023	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
<u>McNairy, Melvin (D)</u>		
1965	-	
<u>Meyers-Martin, Debbie (D)</u>		
2019	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Economic Opportunity & Equity
2023	Chairperson	Consumer Protection
<u>Miller, David E. (D)</u>		
2001	-	
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation & Motor Vehicles
2005	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation & Motor Vehicles
Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education	2007
	Co-Chairperson	Pension Funds Management
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation & Motor Vehicles
2009	Majority Conference Chairperson	
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation, Regulation, Roads & Bridges

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Mitchell, Christian L. (D)		
2013	-	
2015	Vice-Chairperson	Juvenile Justice & System-Involved Youth
2017	Chairperson	Economic Opportunity
	Vice-Chairperson	Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, & IT
2019	-	
Moore, Eugene (D)		
1993	-	
1995	-	
1997	Chairperson	Revenue
	Vice-Chairperson	Registration & Regulation
Morris, Edward H. (R)		
1891	(Information for those General Assemblies is not available..)	
1903		
Morrow, Charles G. (D)		
1986	-	
1987	Vice-Chairperson	Housing
1989	Vice-Chairperson	Housing
1991	Chairperson	Economic & Urban Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Housing
1993	Chairperson	Housing, Economic & Urban Development
1995	Spokesperson	Privatization, De-Regulation, Economic & Urban Development
1997	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
1999	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
2001	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities 2003 Chairperson
Appropriations—Public Safety	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
Murphy, Harold (D)		
1993	-	
1995	-	
1997	Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation & Motor Vehicles
1999	Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
2001	Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
<u>Nichols, Cyril</u> (D)		
2021		
2023	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
Patrick, Langdon W. (D)		
1973		
1975	-	
1979	-	
Patterson, Milton (D)		
2005	-	
2007	Vice-Chairperson	Computer Technology
Pelt, Owen D. (D)		
1967	-	
Pouncey, Taylor (I)		
1975		
1977		
1979		
1981	-	
1983	-	
Pugh, Coy (D)		
1993	Vice-Chairperson	Cities & Villages
1995	Spokesperson	Appropriations—Education
1997	Chairperson	Human Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Human Services
1999	Chairperson	Revenue
Reaves-Harris, Pamela (D)		
2015		



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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Rhem, Sylvester (D)		
1981	-	
1983	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
Rice, Nelson G.R. Sr. (D)		
1983	-	
1985	-	
1987	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
1989	Chairperson	Elections
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
1991	Chairperson	Election Law
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
Riley, Al (D)		
2007	-	
2009	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Cities & Villages
2011	Chairperson	Cities & Villages
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—General Services
	Vice-Chairperson	Counties & Townships
2013	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Mass Transit
2015	Assistant Majority Leader	
2017	Chairperson	State Government Administration
	Vice-Chairperson	Mass Transit
<u>Robinson, Lamont J. Jr. (D)</u>		
2019	- (Appointed at end of 100th General Assembly; no committees assigned)	
2019	Vice-Chairperson	Prescription Drug Affordability
2021	Chairperson	Cyber Security, Data Analytics, & IT
	Chairperson	Tourism
	Chairperson	Cyber Security, Data Analytics, & IT
2023	Chairperson	Cyber Security, Data Analytics, & IT
Robinson, William H. (D)		
1955	-	
1957	Chairperson	Public Aid, Health, Welfare & Safety
1959	-	
1961	-	
1963	Chairperson	Public Aid, Health, Welfare & Safety

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Sharp, Wanda (D) 1999	-	
Shumpert, Walter (D) 1977	-	
Sims, Isaac R. (D) 1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
Skyles, Charles M. (D) 1945	-	
1947	-	
1949	-	
1951	-	
1953	-	
1955	-	
<u>Slaughter, Justin</u> (D) 2017	-	
2017	Vice-Chairperson	Economic Justice & Equity
	Vice-Chairperson	Health & Healthcare Disparities
2019	Chairperson	Judiciary—Criminal
	Vice-Chairperson	State Government Administration
2021	Chairperson	Judiciary—Criminal
	Vice-Chairperson	State Government Administration
2023	Chairperson	Judiciary—Criminal
	Vice-Chairperson	Economic Opportunity & Equity
Smith, Aubrey H. (D) 1935	-	
Smith, Calvin L. (D) 1965	-	
1967	-	

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Smith, Derrick (D)		
2011	-	
2013	Vice-Chairperson	Human Services
<u>Smith, Nicholas K. (D)</u>		
2018	-	
2019	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
2021	Chairperson	Economic Opportunity & Equity
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
	Vice-Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
2023	Majority Officer & Sergeant at Arms	
Stewart, Monica Faith (D)		
1981	-	
Stratton, Juliana (D)		
2017	-	
Stroger, Todd H. (D)		
1993	Vice-Chairperson	Housing, Economic & Urban Development
1995	Spokesperson	Counties & Townships
1997	Chairperson	Local Government
1999	Chairperson	Labor & Commerce
2001	Chairperson	Labor
	Vice-Chairperson	Personnel & Pensions
<u>Tarver, Curtis J. II (D)</u>		
2019	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue & Finance
	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary-Civil
	Vice-Chairperson	Redistricting
2023	Chairperson	Counties & Townships
	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue & Finance

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
<b>Thapedi, André (D)</b>		
2009	-	
2011	-	
2013	Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
2015	Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
2017	Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
	Chairperson	Judiciary—Civil
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
2019	Chairperson	Judiciary—Civil
	Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
2021	Chairperson	Judiciary—Civil
	Chairperson	International Trade & Commerce
	Vice-Chairperson	Public Utilities
<b>Thomas, John W.E. (R)</b>		
1877	(Information for those General Assemblies is not available..)	
1883		
1885		
<b>Thompson, Robert L. (D)</b>		
1969	-	
1971	-	
1973	-	
<b>Torrence, A. Andrew (R)</b>		
1939	-	
<b>Turner, Arthur (D)</b>		
2010	-	
2011	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue & Finance
2013	Assistant Majority Leader	
2015	Assistant Majority Leader	
2017	Deputy Majority Leader	
2019	Deputy Majority Leader	

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Turner, Arthur L. (D)		
1981	-	
1983	-	
1985	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
1987	Chairperson	Housing
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
1989	Chairperson	Housing
	Vice-Chairperson	Consumer Protection
1991	Chairperson	Housing
	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
1993	Deputy Majority Leader	
1995	Deputy Minority Leader	
1997	Deputy Majority Leader	
1999	Deputy Majority Leader	
2001	Deputy Majority Leader	
2003	Deputy Majority Leader	
2005	Deputy Majority Leader	
2007	Deputy Majority Leader	
2009	Deputy Majority Leader	
Turner, Sheadrick B. (R)		
1915	-	
1919	-	
1921	-	
1923	-	
1925	-	
1927	-	
Wallace, Litesa E. (D)		
2014	-	
2015	Vice-Chairperson	Human Services
2017	Chairperson	Economic Justice & Equity
	Vice-Chairperson	Business Growth & Incentives
	Vice-Chairperson	Human Services
Warfield, William J. (R)		
1929	-	
1931	Chairperson	Charities & Corrections
1933	-	
1935	-	
1937	-	
1939	Chairperson	Military Affairs
1941	-	
1943	-	

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Washington, Eddie (D)		
2003	-	
2005	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
2007	Chairperson	Housing & Urban Development
	Chairperson	Prison Reform
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
2009	Chairperson	Aging
	Chairperson	Prison Reform
	Vice-Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
Washington, Genoa S. (R)		
1967	-	
1969	-	
1971	-	
Washington, Jerry (D)		
1985	-	
<u>Welch, Emanuel Chris (D)</u>		
2013	-	
2015	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
2017	Chairperson	Higher Education
2019	Chairperson	Executive
2021	Speaker of the House	
2023	Speaker of the House	
Welters, Edward A. (R)		
1945	-	
1947	-	
<u>West, Maurice A. II (D)</u>		
2019	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Higher Education
2023	Chairperson	Ethics & Elections
	Vice-Chairperson	Mental Health & Addiction

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
<b>White, Jesse C. Jr. (D)</b>		
1975	-	
1979	-	
1981	-	
1983	Chairperson	Human Services
1985	Chairperson	Human Services
1987	Chairperson	Human Services
1989	Chairperson	Human Services
1991	Chairperson	Human Services
<b><u>Williams, Jawaharial (D)</u></b>		
2019	-	
2021	Vice-Chairperson	Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges
2023	Chairperson	Prescription Drug Affordability & Accessibility
<b>Williams, Paul L. (D)</b>		
1987	-	
1989	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II
1991	Vice-Chairperson	Judiciary II
	Vice-Chairperson	Real Estate Law
<b>Williamson, Clarence B. (D)</b>		
1980	-	
<b>Wilson, Kenneth E. (D)</b>		
1955	-	
1957	-	
1959	-	
1961	Vice-Chairperson	Military & Veteran Affairs
1963	-	
<b>Winters, Eddie (D)</b>		
2012	-	

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<i>Name (party)</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Committee(s) if applicable*</i>
Yarbrough, Karen (D)		
2001	-	
2003	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2005	Chairperson	Housing & Urban Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2007	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Housing & Urban Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2009	Chairperson	Appropriations—Public Safety
	Vice-Chairperson	Insurance
2011	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Chairperson	Housing
Young, Anthony L. (D)		
1985	-	
1987	Vice-Chairperson	Revenue
1989	Assistant Majority Leader	
1991	Deputy Majority Leader	
Young, Wyvetter H. (D)		
1975	-	
1977	-	
1979	Vice-Chairperson	Energy, Environment & Natural Resources
1981	Spokesperson	Health & Family Services
1983	Chairperson	Urban Development
1985	Chairperson	Urban Development
1987	Chairperson	Urban Development
1989	Chairperson	Urban Development
	Vice-Chairperson	Energy, Environment & Natural Resources
1991	Chairperson	Higher Education
1993	Chairperson	Higher Education
1995	Assistant Minority Leader	
1997	Chairperson	Appropriations—Education
1999	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
2001	Chairperson	Appropriations—Higher Education
2003	Majority Conference Chair	
2005	Assistant Majority Leader	
	Vice-Chairperson	Environmental Health
2007	Assistant Majority Leader	

\* Position and committee assignments are from the start of the General Assembly, or from when the member was appointed to that house.

† See endnotes to Appendix A for information on vacancies and appointments in each General Assembly.



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Sources: Compiled by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability from *Handbook of the Illinois General Assembly* for 47th through 90th General Assemblies; *Illinois Blue Books*; and House and Senate Committee Member Listings and Biographies on the General Assembly Internet site.

**Appendix C: Numbers of African American Legislators by General Assembly\***

<i>Year elected</i>	<i>G.A.</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Senate</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Year elected</i>	<i>G.A.</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Senate</i>	<i>Total</i>
1876	30th	1	-	1	1950	67th	4	1	5
1878	31st	-	-	-	1952	68th	4	1	5
1880	32nd	-	-	-	1954	69th	6	1	7
1882	33rd	1	-	1	1956	70th	9	1	10
1884	34th	1	-	1	1958	71st	9	1	10
1886	35th	1	-	1	1960	72nd	9	1	10
1888	36th	1	-	1	1962	73rd	9	1	10
1890	37th	1	-	1	1964	74th	10	1	11
1892	38th	1	-	1	1966	75th	13	4	17
1894	39th	1	-	1	1968	76th	14	4	18
1896	40th	-	-	-	1970	77th	15	5	20
1898	41st	1	-	1	1972	78th	14	5	19
1900	42nd	1	-	1	1974	79th	15	5	20
1902	43rd	1	-	1	1976	80th	14	6	20
1904	44th	1	-	1	1978	81st	17	6	23
1906	45th	1	-	1	1980	82nd	17	6	23
1908	46th	1	-	1	1982	83rd	17	6	23
1910	47th	1	-	1	1984	84th	16	7	23
1912	48th	1	-	1	1986	85th	14	7	21
1914	49th	2	-	2	1988	86th	14	7	21
1916	50th	2	-	2	1990	87th	14	7	21
1918	51st	3	-	3	1992	88th	13	8	21
1920	52nd	3	-	3	1994	89th	14	9	23
1922	53rd	3	-	3	1996	90th	14	8	22
1924	54th	4	1	5	1998	91st	16	8	24
1926	55th	4	1	5	2000	92nd	15	8	23
1928	56th	4	1	5	2002†	93rd	19	9 (1)	28 (1)
1930	57th	5	1	6	2004†	94th	20 (2)	9	29 (2)
1932	58th	4	1	5	2006†	95th	19 (2)	9 (1)	28 (3)
1934	59th	5	1	6	2008†	96th	20 (3)	10	30 (3)
1936	60th	5	1	6	2010†	97th	20 (6)	10 (1)	30 (7)
1938	61st	4	1	5	2012†	98th	20 (2)	10	30 (2)
1940	62nd	4	1	5	2014†	99th	22 (3)	10	32 (3)
1942	63rd	5	1	6	2016†	100th	21 (2)	10 (3)	31 (5)
1944	64th	5	1	6	2018†	101st	21 (2)	10	31 (2)
1946	65th	5	1	6	2020†	102nd	22 (1)	10 (2)	32 (3)
1948	66th	4	1	5	2022†	103rd	22	12	34

\* The endnotes to Appendix A provide information on vacancies and appointments in each General Assembly.

† Starting with the 93rd General Assembly (2003-04), each number not in parentheses for African American members of each house reflects only those who were elected to their seats, and any numbers in parentheses reflect those who were appointed. Available sources did not consistently reflect appointments before that General Assembly.

Sources: Compiled by Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability from Harold F. Gosnell, *Negro Politicians: The Rise of Negro Politics in Chicago* (1934), pp. 375-76; listing from Illinois State Historical Library entitled "Negro Legislators in Illinois, 1934-1964;" *Illinois Blue Books; Handbooks of the Illinois General Assembly*; and General Assembly Internet site.

**Appendix D: Lengths of Service of African American Legislators, 1876-2023 (grouped by number of General Assemblies) (underlining denotes current member)**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
<u>Flowers, Mary E.</u>	D	0	19	19
Davis, Corneal A.	D	0	18	18
Jones, Emil Jr.	D	13	5	18
Smith, Fred J.	D	12	6	18
Younge, Wyvetter H.	D	0	17	17
Davis, Monique D.	D	0	15	15
Hall, Kenneth	D	13	2	15
Trotter, Donne E.	D	13	2	15
Turner, Arthur L.	D	0	15	15
<u>Lightford, Kimberly A.</u>	D	14	0	14
Newhouse, Richard H.	D	13	0	13
Clayborne, James F. Jr.	D	12	0	12
Jenkins, Charles J.	R	0	12	12
Collins, Earlean	D	11	0	11
<u>Davis, William</u>	D	0	11	11
<u>Hunter, Mattie</u>	D	11	0	11
Jones, Lovana "Lou"	D	0	11	11
Smith, Margaret	D	10	1	11
Carter, James Y.	D	0	10	10
Chew, Charles Jr.	D	10	0	10
Collins, Jacqueline Y.	D	10	0	10
Morrow, Charles G.	D	0	10	10
Partee, Cecil A.	D	5	5	10
Shaw, William "Bill"	D	5	5	10

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
<u>Ford, La Shawn K.</u>	D	0	9	9
Hendon, Rickey R.	D	9	0	9
Howard, Constance A. "Connie"	D	0	9	9
Alexander, Ethel Skyles	D	4	4	8
Ewell, Raymond W.	D	0	8	8
<u>Gordon-Booth, Jehan</u>	D	0	8	8
<u>Jones, Emil III</u>	D	8	0	8
Jones, Shirley M.	D	0	8	8
<u>Lilly, Camille Y.</u>	D	0	8	8
McLendon, James A.	D	2	6	8
Raoul, Kwame	D	8	0	8
Roberts, Adelbert H.	R	5	3	8
Taylor, James C.	D	1	7	8
Warfield, William J.	R	0	8	8
Washington, Harold	D	2	6	8
White, Jesse C. Jr.	D	0	8	8
Dunkin, Kenneth	D	0	7	7
<u>Evans, Marcus C. Jr.</u>	D	0	7	7
Gardner, J. Horace	R	0	7	7
Giles, Calvin L.	D	0	7	7
Graham, Elwood	R	0	7	7
Huff, Douglas Jr.	D	0	7	7
Jefferson, Charles E.	D	0	7	7
<u>Jones, Thaddeus</u>	D	0	7	7
Mayfield, Rita	D	0	7	7
Sims, Elgie R. Jr.	D	3	4	7

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Thapedi, André	D	0	7	7
Caldwell, Lewis A.H.	D	0	6	6
Collins, Annazette	D	<u>1</u>	5	6
Colvin, Marlow H.	D	0	6	6
Golar, Esther	D	0	6	6
<u>Harris, Napoleon III</u>	D	6	0	6
Hutchinson, Toi W.	D	6	0	6
King, William E.	R	2	4	6
LeFlore, Robert Jr.	D	0	6	6
Riley, Al	D	0	6	6
Skyles, Charles M.	D	0	6	6
Turner, Arthur	D	0	6	6
Turner, Sheadrick B.	R	0	6	6
<u>Van Pelt, Patricia</u>	D	6	0	6
<u>Welch, Emanuel Chris</u>	D	0	6	6
Wimbish, Christopher C.	D	6	0	6
Yarbrough, Karen	D	0	6	6
<u>Ammons, Carol</u>	D	0	5	5
Armstrong, Charles F.	D	0	5	5
Barnes, Eugene M.	D	0	5	5
Braun, Carol Moseley	D	0	5	5
Brookins, Howard B.	D	3	2	5
Douglas, Warren B.	R	0	5	5
Greene, Ernest A.	R	0	5	5
<u>Harper, Sonya M.</u>	D	0	5	5
Meeks, James T.	I; D	5	0	5
Miller, David E.	D	0	5	5

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Murphy, Harold	D	0	5	5
Pouncey, Taylor	I	0	5	5
Rice, Nelson G.R. Sr.	D	0	5	5
Robinson, William H.	D	0	5	5
Stroger, Todd H.	D	0	5	5
Wilson, Kenneth E.	D	0	5	5
Bullock, Larry S.	D	0	4	4
Collins, Otis G.	D	0	4	4
Graham, Deborah L.	D	0	4	4
Jackson, Eddie Lee Sr.	D	0	4	4
Kenner, Howard A.	D	0	4	4
Mitchell, Christian L.	D	0	4	4
Moore, Eugene	D	0	4	4
Obama, Barack	D	4	0	4
Pugh, Coy	D	0	4	4
<u>Robinson, Lamont J. Jr.</u>	D	0	3	3
Sims, Isaac R.	D	0	4	4
<u>Slaughter, Justin</u>	D	0	4	4
<u>Smith, Nicholas K.</u>	D	0	4	4
Washington, Eddie	D	0	4	4
Young, Anthony L.	D	0	4	4
<u>Belt, Christopher R.</u>	D	3	0	3
<u>Buckner, Kambium "Kam"</u>	D	0	3	3
<u>Collins, Lakesia</u>	D	0	3	3
Conyears-Ervin, Melissa	D	0	3	3
Gaines, Charles E.	R	0	3	3
Gaines, Harris B.	R	0	3	3

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Greenwood, LaToya N.	D	0	3	3
Henry, William C.	D	0	3	3
Jackson, Robert R.	R	0	3	3
Jefferies, Elga L.	D	1	2	3
<u>Johnson, Adriane</u>	D	3	0	3
Kelly, Robin	D	0	3	3
Kersey, George T.	R	0	3	3
<u>Meyers-Martin, Debbie</u>	D	0	3	3
Palmer, Alice J.	D	3	0	3
Patrick, Langdon W.	D	0	3	3
<u>Peters, Robert</u>	D	3	0	3
<u>Tarver, Curtis J. II</u>	D	0	3	3
Thomas, John W.E.	R	0	3	3
Thompson, Robert L.	D	0	3	3
Wallace, Litesa E.	D	0	3	3
Washington, Genoa S.	R	0	3	3
<u>West, Maurice A. II</u>	D	0	3	3
<u>Williams, Jawaharial "Omar"</u>	D	0	3	3
Williams, Paul L.	D	0	3	3
Anthony, John D.	R	0	2	2
Bailey, Patricia	D	0	2	2
Blackwell, George W.	R	0	2	2
Burns, Will	D	0	2	2
Carter, Richard A.	D	0	2	2
Conner, Lycurgus J.	D	0	2	2
Ecton, George F.	R	0	2	2
Green, Edward D.	R	0	2	2

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Griffin, Charles A.	R	0	2	2
Harewood, Richard A.	D	0	2	2
Lane, Alexander	R	0	2	2
Madison, Jesse D.	D	0	2	2
Martin, Peggy Smith	D	0	2	2
Morris, Edward H.	R	0	2	2
<u>Nichols, Cyril</u>	D	0	2	2
Patterson, Milton	D	0	2	2
Rhem, Sylvester	D	0	2	2
Shumpert, Walter	D	0	2	2
<u>Simmons, Michael</u>	D	2	0	2
Smith, Calvin L.	D	0	2	2
Smith, Derrick	D	0	2	2
<u>Turner, Doris</u>	D	2	0	2
Wallace, William A.	D	2	0	2
Welters, Edward A.	R	0	2	2
Bish, James E.	R	0	1	1
Boswell, Paul P.	R	0	1	1
Buckner, John C.	R	0	1	1
<u>Canty, Mary Beth</u>	D	0	1	1
Clements, Floy	D	0	1	1
du Buclet, Kimberly	D	0	1	1
Foster, Cory	D	0	1	1
Goodwin, Quentin J.	D	0	1	1
Harris, Willis	D	0	1	1
Holloway, Robert H.	R	0	1	1
Hutchins, Ozie	D	0	1	1



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<i>Name</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>General Assemblies in which served</i>		
		<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Jackson, Jesse	R	0	1	1
Jones, John G.	R	0	1	1
Lucas, Benjamin H.	R	0	1	1
Markette, Sharon G.	D	0	1	1
Martin, Dudley S.	R	0	1	1
Martin, William L.	R	0	1	1
McNairy, Melvin	D	0	1	1
Pelt, Owen D.	D	0	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Preston, Willie</u>	D	1	0	1
Reaves-Harris, Pamela	D	0	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Sharp, Wanda	D	0	1	1
Smith, Aubrey H.	D	0	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Stewart, Monica Faith	D	0	1	1
Stratton, Juliana	D	0	1	1
Torrence, A. Andrew	R	0	1	1
Washington, Jerry	D	0	1	1
Williamson, Clarence B.	D	0	1	1
Winters, Eddie	D	0	1	1

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