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## **DMB Welcomes Robert Burns**

LANSING – Lisa Webb Sharpe, director of the Michigan Department of Management and Budget (DMB), announced that Robert Burns, chief of staff for State Representative Andy Meisner, has agreed to serve as the Director of Government Affairs for the Michigan Department of Management and Budget. He will replace Monique Field effective Wednesday, August 8.

“Bob has distinguished himself as an effective leader, advocate, and negotiator in getting legislation through the legislature. He’s consistently worked in bi-partisan fashion, while obtaining a thorough working knowledge of the House and the Senate,” said Webb Sharpe. “As a researcher on legislation, he’s provided expertise for the House Commerce, Tax Policy, Judiciary, Education, and New Economy Committees. I am confident that his skills and insights will advance the mission of DMB.”

In his new role, Burns is responsible for coordinating legislative and legal strategy, advising and assisting on policy issues, formulating department policies and procedures, and serving as the departmental liaison to the Michigan State Fair.

“I am honored to have the opportunity to continue my public service career with the Michigan Department of Management and Budget,” said Burns. “I am joining a group of talented and dedicated public servants, who have succeeded in making state government work smarter for the people of Michigan.”

Previously, Bob has served in Constituent Services for the Senate Democratic Caucus, Legislative Aide and Press Director for State Senator Dianne Byrum, and Sales and Project Manager for L.R. Blanchard, Inc. Bob received a Bachelor of Science degree in history and political science with a minor in manufacturing from Eastern Michigan University.

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