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JOHN FRANCIS KELLY 1st Senatorial District



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Committees: Government Operations; Health Policy; Judiciary

Biography: Democrat, of Detroit. John Francis Kelly was born on September 6, 1949, to Robert Corby Kelly and Margaret Elizabeth Kelly and is the fourth of seven children. He attended St. Matthew's Elementary School in Detroit and Bishop Gallagher High School in Harper Woods. He holds an A.B. with honors from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 1972, a Master of Public Administration from Wayne State University, Detroit, 1974, and is a candidate for a Ph.D. degree in political science, having attended Wayne State University 1974-75, 1976-78, and Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., in international relations, 1975-

During his graduate studies, John was awarded a university fellowship, 1976-78, and taught at Wayne State University as an instructor in the Department of Political Science from 1972-78. John holds a Juris Doctor from Detroit College of Law, 1983, and was admitted to the state bar in 1984.

John married the former Toni Marie Plotzke of Detroit (Eastern Michigan University, 1972), on May 5, 1972, and they have two children: Rebecca Lynn, age 9, and Dana Marie, age 13. Roman Catholic.

John enlisted in the United States Army Reserve in 1972 and served four years prior to receiving a presidential appointment as a Lieutenant in the Military Intelligence/ASA Branch. John is presently an assistant State Judge Advocate and a captain in the National Guard.

John was elected to serve in the State Senate in 1978 and was reelected in 1982 and 1986. He is a member of the Senate Committees on Judiciary, Health Policy and Government Operations.

In the community, John has been a member of several neighborhood and civic organizations, including the Detroit Committee on Foreign Relations, the Immigration Law Society, and Amnesty International. He is involved in veterans'

