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If you wonder why the Michigan House of Representatives voted in December to ban all wine shipments from retailers to consumers, regardless of whether the retailer is in state or outstate, look no further than the campaign finance records for the Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association (MBWWA) PAC. In 2008 (actually, 10/21/07-10/20/08), they were 7th among all independent PACs in campaign expenditures. Fourteen industry employees contributed over \$10,000 to the PAC. The top contributor, Sydney Ross, contributed \$52,000.

More on where the money came from and how it was spent may be found on my website, [www.steveharryforstaterep.org](http://www.steveharryforstaterep.org). The information was obtained from the Secretary of State's website.

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