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## Michigan News

### FORD WORKERS IN KANSAS CITY REJECT UAW DEAL

PressChronicle.com (Website)

11/20/15

Ford's tentative four-year labor deal is in jeopardy as a majority the membership has rejected the pact with only two days of voting left, representing another potential setback for the UAW. With 75% of workers voting, the contract is failing by a 52-48% margin. It affects workers hired after 2007. [Read more here.](#)

### GOVERNMENT EXPOSED FLINT RESIDENTS TO DANGEROUS LEAD LEVELS IN DRINKING WATER

LegalReader.com (Website)

11/19/15

Residents of Flint filed suit against the city and the state alleging that both entities put their health in danger. The claim states that the government exposed Flint residents to dangerous lead levels in drinking water. Residents are seeking class-action status for the suit, as well as compensatory and punitive damages, appointment of a monitor to oversee Flint's water supply and the creation of a medical monitoring fund. [Read more here.](#)

### LOCAL OPPOSITION TO STRAIGHT-PARTY VOTING GROWS

Davison Index (Davison, MI)

11/19/15

A group of Michigan officials held a news conference to express their opposition to Senate Bill 13, which would eliminate the option of checking just one box on ballots to cast votes for all candidates from one political party. Approximately 40 percent of the ballots cast in Genesee County are straight-party, the majority of them Democratic. [Read more here.](#)

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## **L. BROOKS PATTERSON: PUBLIC OPINION WILL LEAD TO STOP OF PONTIAC IMMIGRANT HOUSING PLANS**

Macomb Daily (Macomb, MI)

11/19/15

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson acknowledged he does not have power to veto a planned project to house refugees from Syria and other countries in Pontiac, but hopes that he will succeed in shifting public opinion against the project. [Read more here.](#)

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## **HOWES: MEMORY, FANTASY COLLIDE IN UAW CONTRACT DRAMA (Opinion)**

Detroit News (Detroit, MI)

11/20/15

Columnist Daniel Howes writes that UAW leaders fail to understand the power of social media in preventing members from ratifying contracts with automakers GM, Ford and FCA. Two-tier wages were introduced in 2007 as a way to maintain jobs for less pay. The elimination of the two-tier wage system will result in fewer jobs in the future. [Read more here.](#)

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## **DAIMLER TO BRING MEDIUM ENGINE PRODUCTION TO DETROIT**

Detroit News (Detroit, MI)

11/20/15

Daimler Trucks plans to invest \$375 million to bring production of medium-duty engines to its manufacturing facility in the Detroit area. The complete power train includes the new transmission as well as a DD15 heavy-duty engine and axles already manufactured at the plant. Officials also announced an additional \$100 million investment to produce automated transmissions at Detroit Diesel Corp. in Redford Township. [Read more here.](#)

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