



WELCOME TO THE
TENNESSEE STATE SENATE
LEADING MEMORIAL ADDRESS BY
LT. GOV. JOHN S. HODGES
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

SENATE

The upper house of Tennessee's General Assembly is called the Senate. The state is divided into thirty-three senatorial districts (see map on page 30), from each of which one senator is elected. Senators are elected to four-year terms with those from even-numbered districts being elected in the same general election, and those representing odd-numbered districts being elected two years later. Thus, about half of the thirty-three senators are standing for election at the same time. Tennessee's senatorial term is the same as all but twelve states in the Union. Re-election to the Senate is constitutionally permissible, as it is in the House, and there is no limit on the number of terms a legislator may serve.

To qualify for election to the Senate, one must be 30 years old, a U.S. citizen, a state resident for three years and a resident of the district in which elected for one year immediately preceding election.

The leader of the Senate, or speaker, is also the state's lieutenant governor. The speaker of the Senate is elected by the Senate at each organizational session of the General Assembly. The lieutenant governor stands in immediate succession to the governorship.

Other leaders in the Senate include the speaker *pro tem*, the deputy speaker, and the Republican and Democrat leaders who are the primary spokespersons for their respective parties concerning Senate matters. Two other key Senate officers are the Republican and Democrat caucus chairpersons, who preside over meetings of their political parties to consider and formulate party policy.

The Senate has certain powers and obligations that are different from those of the House of Representatives. The Senate is given the power to try impeachment proceedings initiated by the House. Any officer of the state may be impeached, but two-thirds of the Senate must concur before removal from office occurs.

Political makeup of the Senate of the 105th General Assembly, at the time of publication, is sixteen Republicans (thirteen men and three women), sixteen Democrats (eleven men and five women) and one Independent.

Photographs and biographical sketches of the senators of the 105th General Assembly appear on the following pages.



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105th General Assembly

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The Tennessee Constitution mandates that the members of the Senate shall choose a speaker. Article 3, Section 12 of the Constitution also provides that the speaker of the Senate, in the event of a vacancy in the office of the governor, shall assume that office. Additionally, by statute, the speaker of the Senate holds the office of lieutenant governor of the state of Tennessee.

As speaker of the Senate, various responsibilities include the maintaining of order in the Senate chamber and the direct supervision of the chief sergeant at arms of the Senate. The speaker also has the power of appointment of all officers and members of Senate committees, unless otherwise directed by the Senate. In making appointments the speaker is to consider the abilities, preferences, and seniority of members and the political party representation in the Senate. Likewise, the speaker possesses the power of removal from committee posts or memberships and serves as a member of all Senate standing committees.

The speaker serves as cochairman of the Joint Legislative Services Committee which oversees offices that provide services to the General Assembly, and is an *ex officio* member of several boards and committees including the Fiscal Review Committee, the Tennessee Mental Health Board, and the Council on Pensions and Insurance. He also currently serves as vice chairman of the State Building Commission.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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Marital Status: Married

Methodist; Married to the former Sindy Parker of Kingsport; Three Daughters, Tiffany, Sheena and Madison; B.S. East Tennessee State University; Bristol Association of Realtors; Blountville Ruritan; Sunday School Teacher, Elizabeth Chapel United Methodist Church; Chairman, Senate Environment and Conservation Committee, 101st and 102nd General Assemblies; Caucus Chairman, 103rd General Assembly; Majority Leader, 104th General Assembly; 2004 Conservation Legislator of the Year. On a historic day, January 9, 2007, Ron Ramsey was elected by the Senate to be the first Republican Lieutenant Governor since 1869 and the first new Lieutenant Governor since 1971.

Member of Senate: 100th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 98th and 99th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Johnson and Sullivan—2nd Senatorial District.

Staff for the Office of the Speaker and Lieutenant Governor



Matt King
Chief of Staff

Born January 9, 1971, Memphis, TN; Married: Wife, Shelli; Two Children, Matthew and William; Methodist; B.L.S., Political Communications, University of Memphis; Research Analyst, Senate Environment Committee, 1997-98; State Director, National Federation of Business, 1998-2001; Executive Director, Tennessee Republican Party, 2001-2002; Consultant, Ingram Group, 2003-2004; Appointed Senior Policy Advisor to Senate Majority Leader, 2004-2007; Appointed Chief of Staff to Lt. Governor Ron Ramsey, 2007.



Lance Frizzell
Deputy Chief of Staff

Born March 5, 1970, Murfreesboro, TN; Married: Wife, Jessica; One Child, Andrew; Church of Christ; B.S., History, Middle Tennessee State University; M.S., Mass Communication, Middle Tennessee State University; Veteran, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Bronze Star Medal; Member, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Tennessee Government Executive Institute Class of 2007; Political Director, Tennessee Republican Party, 2001-02; Press Secretary, House Republican Caucus, 2003-06; Appointed Deputy Chief of Staff, 2007.



Russell Humphrey
Chief Clerk of the Senate

Born September 2, 1971, Ancon, PCZ; Married; Episcopalian; B.A., Economics, University of Memphis; J.D., Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, University of Memphis; Omicron Delta Kappa; Phi Alpha Delta Legal Society; Member, Tennessee and American Bar Associations; American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; Attorney in Private Practice, 1997-98; Executive Assistant for Policy and Research, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, 1998-99; Acting Chief Clerk of the Senate, 1999-2000; Appointed Chief Clerk of the Senate, 2001; Appointed Chief of Staff, 2002.



Susie Wilee
Executive Assistant



Debbie Rankin
Executive Assistant



Joyce Pugh
Administrative Assistant



Bill Taliaferro
Security Assistant



Alan Whittington
Assistant Chief Clerk



Scott Sloan
Chief Engrossing Clerk



Don Keaton
Chief Sergeant-at-Arms

105th General Assembly Officers of the Senate

Ronald L. Ramsey, *Speaker of the Senate and Lieutenant Governor*

Rosalind Kurita, *Speaker Pro Tempore*

Tim Burchett, *Deputy Speaker*

Republican Caucus

Mark Norris, *Republican Leader*
Diane Black, *Republican Caucus Chairman*
Rusty Crowe, *Republican Caucus Vice Chairman*
Mae Beavers, *Republican Caucus Treasurer*
Jamie Woodson, *Republican Caucus Secretary*
Bill Ketrone, *Republican Floor Leader*
Paul Stanley, Bo Watson, and Jack Johnson, *Assistant Republican Floor Leaders*
Steve Southerland, *Caucus Chaplain*

Democratic Caucus

Rosalind Kurita, *Speaker Pro Tempore*
James F. Kyle Jr., *Democratic Leader*
Joe M. Haynes, *Democratic Caucus Chairman*
Doug Jackson, *Democratic Caucus Vice Chairman*
Lowe Finney, *Democratic Caucus Secretary/Treasurer*
Roy Herron, *Democratic Floor Leader*

Standing Committees

Commerce, Labor and Agriculture – Steve Southerland, *chairman*; Paul Stanley, *vice chairman*; Charlotte Burks, *secretary*; Mae Beavers, Dewayne Bunch, Tim Burchett, Reginald Tate, John Wilder.

Education – Jamie Woodson, *chairman*; Reginald Tate, *vice chairman*; Micheal Williams, *secretary*; Charlotte Burks, Rusty Crowe, Joe Haynes, Bill Ketron, Jim Tracy.

Environment, Conservation and Tourism – Tommy Kilby, *chairman*; Dewayne Bunch, *vice chairman*; Doug Jackson, *secretary*, Lowe Finney, Raymond Finney, Roy Herron, Bill Ketron, Steve Southerland, Micheal Williams.

Finance, Ways and Means – Randy McNally, *chairman*; Douglas Henry, *vice chairman*; Tim Burchett, *secretary*; Diane Black, Raymond Finney, Joe Haynes, Rosalind Kurita, Jim Kyle, Mark Norris, Bo Watson, John Wilder.

General Welfare, Health and Human Resources – Rusty Crowe, *chairman*; Rosalind Kurita, *vice chairman*; Raymond Finney, *secretary*; Diane Black, Ophelia Ford, Douglas Henry, Roy Herron, Jack Johnson, Randy McNally.

Government Operations – Thelma Harper, *chairman*; Beverly Marrero, *vice chairman*; Ophelia Ford, *secretary*; Mae Beavers, Dewayne Bunch, Rusty Crowe, Lowe Finney, Jack Johnson, Paul Stanley, Reginald Tate, Bo Watson.

Judiciary – Mae Beavers, *chairman*; Doug Jackson, *vice chairman*; Jamie Woodson, *secretary*; Diane Black, Jim Kyle, Beverly Marrero, Mark Norris, Paul Stanley, John Wilder.

State and Local Government – Bill Ketron, *chairman*, Lowe Finney, *vice chairman*; Bo Watson, *secretary*; Tim Burchett, Jerry Cooper, Thelma Harper, Joe Haynes, Mark Norris, Jim Tracy.

Transportation – Jim Tracy, *chairman*; Tommy Kilby, *vice chairman*; Jack Johnson, *secretary*; Jerry Cooper, Doug Jackson, Rosalind Kurita, Steve Southerland, Micheal Williams, Jamie Woodson.

Select Committees

Calendar – Raymond Finney, *chairman*; Jim Kyle, Mark Norris.

Ethics – Joe Haynes, *chairman*; Diane Black, Charlotte Burks, Mark Norris, Steve Southerland.

Rules – Mark Norris, *chairman*; Dewayne Bunch, Rosalind Kurita, Jim Kyle, Randy McNally.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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Presbyterian; Married, Three Children; B.A., University of Arkansas; Former Montgomery County Commissioner; Former Board Member, Regional Directors, Tennessee County Commissioner Association; Former Board Member, Urban Ministries; Former Member, Board of Directors, American Cancer Society; Member, Cheatham County Health Council; Member, Montgomery County, Cheatham County, and Houston County Chambers of Commerce; Member, Tennessee Nurses Association; Member, Board of Directors, Tennessee Center for Nursing; Member, Board of Directors, Tennessee Economic Council on Women; Member, Board of Directors, Nurses for Newborns; Member, Nashville Women Political Caucus; Alumni, 1st Class of Leadership Clarksville; Alumni, Leadership Middle Tennessee; MADD Red Ribbon Campaign; Sponsor, Montgomery County Science Fair; Member, Nashville Gun Club; Member, Austin Peay State University Tower Club; Member, National Skeet Shooting Association; Member, Tennessee Shooting Sports Association; Member, Eagle Skeet Club, Fort Campbell; Toll Fellowship Recipient, 1999; Treasurer, 102nd Senate Democratic Caucus; Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Academy of Pediatrics; Leadership Award, Tennessee School Health Coalition, 2002; Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Child Care Association, 2003; Legislator of the Year, American Lung Association, 2003; Badge of Courage Award for Ethics, work on Campaign Finance Reform, 2004; Nominee, Dr. Nathan Davis National Award to Outstanding State Legislators, American Medical Association, 2004; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Human Resource Agency, 2004; Athena Nominee, 2007; Vice Chairman, Senate General Welfare, Health, and Human Resources Committee; Member, Senate Transportation Committee; Member, Finance, Ways, and Means Committee; Member, Select Committee on Rules; Member, Joint Oversight Committee on Workers Compensation; Member, Military Affairs Commission Executive Committee.

Member of Senate: 100th through 105th General Assemblies.**Counties Represented:** Cheatham, Houston, and Montgomery—22nd Senatorial District.

The speaker of the Tennessee Senate selects a speaker pro tempore to serve a two-year term. In the absence of the speaker of the Senate, the speaker pro tempore presides over the Senate. The speaker pro tempore performs duties assigned by the speaker of the Senate and serves at the pleasure of the speaker.

The speaker of the Senate, however, may choose any other member rather than the speaker pro tempore to preside over the Senate for a period not extending beyond adjournment.

It is the duty of the clerk of the Senate to call the Senate to order and call the roll for the election of a temporary speaker when the speaker of the Senate and the speaker pro tempore are both absent.

In the event of an interim vacancy in the office of the speaker or in the event of disability, the speaker pro tempore shall conduct the necessary business of the Senate until an election can be held by the Senate to fill the vacancy.

DEPUTY SPEAKER**Tim Burchett**

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Protestant; B.S., University of Tennessee; Former Board Member: Knoxville Union Rescue Mission, Sertoma Center, American Kidney Foundation, and James White Fort Association; Greater Knoxville Area Chamber Partnership; West Knoxville Republican Club; Board of Directors, Epilepsy Foundation Of East Tennessee; Ex-officio Trustee, East Tennessee Regional Juvenile Service Center; Tennessee Chapter, National Federation of Independent Business; Guardian of Small Business Award; 2002 Tennessee Dispensing Opticians Association Legislator of the Year; 2002 County Officials Association of Tennessee Outstanding State Senator; 2002 Tennessee PTA Outstanding Legislator of the Year; 2002 Tennessee Development District Association Legislator of the Year; 2002 Selective Service System Meritorious Service Award; 2004 Men's Health Legislator of the Year; 2005 Defender of the American Dream Award; 2006 Outstanding Legislator Award, Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence; 2006 Champion for Children Award; 2007 Legislator of the Year Award, TNCO (Tennessee Community Organizations); Member: Commission on Holocaust Education; Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Statewide Planning & Policy Council; and Tennessee Black Health Care Commission.

Member of Senate: 101st through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 99th and 100th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Knox—7th Senatorial District.

The deputy speaker is appointed to a two-year term by the speaker of the Senate. The deputy speaker helps schedule and guide the flow of legislation on the floor and assists the speaker in the administrative decision making of the Senate. He or she also serves as a liaison with regional and national legislative bodies.

DEMOCRATIC LEADER**James F. Kyle**

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Political Party: Democratic
Marital Status: Married

Presbyterian; B.S., Arkansas State University; J.D., University of Memphis School of Law, 1976; Memphis Bar Association; Arkansas State Alumni Association; Ducks Unlimited; Board of Governors, American Correctional Association, 1994-98; Tau Kappa Epsilon Social Fraternity; Board of Directors, University of Memphis Law School Alumni Association; Memphis Education Association Friend of Education Award, 2002; Insurers of Tennessee Presidential Citation, 2001; Sierra Club Award of Appreciation, 2001; University of Tennessee Health Science Center Leadership Award, 2000; Gateway Christian Schools Year 2000 Legislative Award; Tennessee Council of Teachers of English President's Award, 1999; Domestic Violence Task Force Legislator of the Year, 1996; County Officials Association of Tennessee Legislator of the Year, 1992 and 2000; Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference Legislator of the Year, 1992; Shelby County Deputy Sheriffs Association Legislator of the Year; Recipient, Henry Toll Fellowship, Council of State Governments, 1985; Chairman, Democratic Caucus, 95th General Assembly; Chairman, Select Oversight Committee on Corrections, 96th through 100th General Assemblies; Democratic Leader, 104th and 105th General Assemblies..

Member of Senate: 93rd through 105th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Shelby—28th Senatorial District.



The Senate Democratic leader is elected for a term of two years by the party's caucus during the organizational session of the General Assembly. The Democratic leader has the responsibility of coordinating the legislative efforts of Senate members with work being done by the House of Representatives.

The leader is the spokesperson for the Democratic party in the Senate and is policy spokesperson for the executive branch of state government when the governor is affiliated with the same party.

REPUBLICAN LEADER**Mark Norris**

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Episcopalian; Two Children; B.A., Colorado College; J.D., University of Denver; National Rifle Association; Tennessee Firearms Association; National Association of Sportsmen Legislators; National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; Tennessee Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; Tennessee Cattlemen's Association; American Legislative Exchange Council; Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments, 2002; Shelby County Board of Commissioners: Member, 1994-2000; Chairman, 1996-1997; West Star, Class of 1999; Director, National Ornamental Metal Museum, 2000-present; Trustee, The Nature Conservancy of Tennessee, 1998-2007; Trustee, Tennessee Historical Society, 2007; Member, Dyersburg Army Air Base Memorial Association, 2006-present; Tennessee and Shelby County Farm Bureau, 1998-present; Memphis Agricultural Club, 1998-present; Junior League Advisory Board, 1998-2000; Leadership Memphis, Class of 1991; Director, Boys and Girls Club of Memphis, 1990-1996; The Phoenix, Inc.: Member, 1980-1990 and President, 1988-1989; Chairman, The MED Foundation, 1992-2004; Buckman Boys Club: Board Member, 1985-1994 and President, 1993; Goals for Memphis, 1996-1998; Memphis and Shelby County Sports Authority, 1996-2000; Memphis Cook Convention Center, 1996-1997; Memphis in May, 1996-1997; Tennessee Development District Association Legislator of the Year, 2007; Tennessee Public Transportation Association Legislator of the Year, 2006; Tennessee PTA Legislator of the Year, 2005;

Tennessee Development District Association Legislator of the Year, 2005; TSBA Legislator of the Year, 2004; SAR, Isaac Shelby Chapter, Silver Good Citizenship Medal, 2002; Distinguished Service Award, Shelby County Soil Conservation District, 2000; Chairman's Award, Shelby County Republican Party, 1998; Honorary Lifetime Membership Award, Tennessee PTA, 1998; Phoenix Old Timer's Award for Community Service, 1997; Sierra Club Award for Environmental Achievement, 1996; Ira Samuelson Distinguished Service Award, 1994; Principal, Intergovernmental Forum: Transportation Finance, National Academy of Public Administration, 2007; Member, Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (TACIR); Chairman, Southern Legislative Conference Economic Development, Transportation, and Cultural Affairs Committee, 2006-present; Member, Executive Committee, Southern Legislative Conference; Parliamentarian, Senate Republican Caucus, 2001-2006; Vice Chairman, Shelby County Legislative Delegation, 2001-2007; Senate Republican Caucus Chairman, 2006; Vice Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee, 2003-2005; Chairman, Senate Transportation Committee, 2005-2006; Current Senate Memberships: Finance, Ways and Means Committee; State and Local Government Committee; Judiciary Committee; Calendar Committee; Ethics Committee; Delayed Bills Committee; and Chairman, Rules Committee; Current Joint-Committee Memberships: Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs and Select Committee on Corrections Oversight; Elected Senate Republican Leader for the 105th General Assembly, 2007.

Member of Senate: 102nd through 105th General Assemblies.**Counties Represented:** Dyer, Lauderdale, Shelby, and Tipton—32nd Senatorial District.

The Republican Leader of the Senate is the chief spokesperson for the party in the Senate and for the policy of the executive branch when the governor is a member of the party. The Republican Leader acts to rally support of legislation in the Senate and works closely with the Republican leader of the House in developing political strategy and timing of legislation. This position is elected for a term of two years during the organizational session of the Senate.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS CHAIRMAN**Joe M. Haynes**

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Marital Status: Married

Presbyterian; B.S., University of Tennessee; J.D., Nashville School of Law; Member (past president and director), Goodlettsville Chamber of Commerce; Member, Madison Chamber of Commerce; Member, Old Hickory Chamber of Commerce; Member (and board member), Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce; Member, (and past Exalted Ruler), Elks Lodge; Member (and past vice president), Tennessee Elks Association; Shriner; Member, Al Menah Temple; Past President, Goodlettsville-Madison Shrine Club; Member, Kiwanis Club; Executive Board Member, Southern Growth Policies Board; Executive Council Member, Middle Tennessee Boy Scouts; Leadership Nashville; Board of Directors, McKendree Village Retirement Community; Member, Nashville Bar Association (past president and director); Nashville Bar Fellow; Tennessee Bar Association; Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

Member of Senate: 94th through 105th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Davidson—20th Senatorial District.



The Senate Democratic caucus chairperson presides at meetings of Democratic members of the Senate, and presides over joint meetings of Senate and House Democrats.

Such meetings are limited to members of the same political party. Democratic candidates for offices which are elected by the General Assembly also meet with Democratic legislators in these caucus meetings to organize bids for office.

It is at the party caucus that members express their opinions about matters involving differences between the two political parties and resolve the issues or actions by caucus vote.

The Senate Democratic caucus chairperson attends leadership meetings of the Senate. It is the chairperson's responsibility to see that all caucus meetings are conducted in a fair and orderly fashion.

The caucus chairperson provides leadership in the area of planning fund-raising activities and other assistance to party members in their political campaigns.

The Senate Democratic caucus chairperson is elected by the party caucus during the organizational session of the Senate.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS CHAIRMAN Diane Black

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Lutheran; A.S.N., Anne Arundel College; B.S.N., Belmont University; Rotarian of the Year, 1993, Hendersonville Rotary Club; Leadership Sumner Distinguished Alumni, 1998; Sumner County YMCA Volunteer of the Year, 2001; ACS Legislator of the Year, 2003; Right to Life Legislator of the Year, 2004; Tennessee Nurses Association Outstanding Legislator of the Year, 2005; American Heart Association Advocate of the Year, 2006; American Diabetes Association State Public Policy Leadership Award, 2007; Alumni Member, Leadership Middle Tennessee; President, Hendersonville Rotary Club Foundation; Board Member, Children are People, Inc.; Board Member, Volunteer State Community College Foundation; Board Member VSA Arts Tennessee; Past Chair, United Way of Sumner County; Past Board Member, YMCA; Past Board Member, Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce; Past Board Member, American Heart Association; Past President, Leadership Sumner Alumni Association; Past Vice Chair, Habitat for Humanity of Sumner County; Past President, P.E.O.; Past President, Hendersonville Rotary Club; Past President, Gallatin Chapter, American Cancer Society; Past President, Gallatin Toastmasters; Member, Gallatin, Goodlettsville, Portland, Springfield/Robertson and Westmoreland Chambers of Commerce.

Member of Senate: 104th and 105th General Assemblies.
Member of House: 101st through 103rd General Assemblies.
Counties Represented: Robertson and Sumner—18th Senatorial District.

The Chairman of the Senate Republican Caucus works with the Republican Leader to advance Republican initiatives in the state Senate. The chairman presides over all meetings of the caucus, and entertains differing views of its membership on strategy to gain a political advantage in the General Assembly.

The chairman is active in the political affairs of the party across the state. He or she, along with other party legislative leaders, keeps party members of the House and Senate informed of issues facing the caucus.

The chairman is involved in planning and coordinating political and fund-raising events for the party, and helping to reelect current members of the caucus.

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Nazarene Church; Married to Jerry Beavers; Children, Eric and Jason; Grandchild, Blake; B. S., Trevecca Nazarene University; Distinguished Alumni Award for Trevecca Nazarene University, Coalition of Christian Colleges and Universities; Patrick Henry Award, Rights Education Fund for Support of Second Amendment Rights; Recognized for Support for God, Family, and Country, Eagle Forum; Member, Mt. Juliet and Lebanon Chambers of Commerce; Charter Member, Mt. Juliet Noon Rotary; Member, National Rifle Association; Lifetime Member, Tennessee Firearms Association; Member, Wilson County Commission, 1990-1994; State House of Representatives, Eight Years: Assistant Republican Floor Leader, Middle Part, 99th General Assembly; and Secretary, House Republican Caucus, 100th through 102nd General Assemblies; Elected to State Senate, 17th District, 2002; Assistant Republican Floor Leader, 103rd General Assembly; Treasurer, Senate Republican Caucus, 104th & 105th General Assemblies; Senate Committees: Member, Commerce Committee and Chairman, Judiciary Committee; Joint Committee: Member, Select Committee on Children and Youth; Member, Information Systems Council; Member, Tennessee Judicial Council.

Member of Senate: 103rd through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 99th through 102nd General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Cannon, Clay, DeKalb, Macon, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, and Wilson—17th Senatorial District.

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Baptist; Wife, Karen; Sons, Clay and Pierce; B.S., Tennessee Technological University, 1981; Master's Degree, East Tennessee State University, 1985; J.D., University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1990.

Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

Member of House: 101st through 104th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Bradley, McMinn, Meigs and Polk—9th Senatorial District.

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Church of Christ; Member, Domestic Violence State Coordinating Council; Creating Homes Initiative Task Force; Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency Legislator of the Year, 1999; Upper Cumberland Development District Legislator of the Year, 2000; Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence Legislator of the Year, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005; D.A.R.E. America Leadership Recognition, 2000; Cumberland District of UT Extension Services Friends of Extensions Award, 2000; Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents Tommy Burks Award as an Advocate for K-12 Students, 2000; Childhelp USA Award for Service to Tennessee Children and Families, 2002; Tennessee Association of Human Resource Agencies Legislator of the Year, 2002; March of Dimes Putnam County Honorary Chair, 2002; Friends of 4-H Award, 2002; Honorary State FFA Degree, 2003; Chair, Tennessee Victims of Crime State Coordinating Council; Cochair, Joint Victim's Rights Study Committee and Joint Committee for the Basic Education Program; Vice Chair, Upper Cumberland Region for the Tennessee Tourism Caucus Leadership Committee for the Tennessee Tourism Roundtable; Member, Joint Committee on Children and Youth, Tobacco Certifying Board, Southern Regional Education Board.

Member of Senate: 101st through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Cumberland, Jackson, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, and White—15th Senatorial District.

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First Baptist Church, McMinnville; B.S., University of Tennessee; Founded Cooper Manufacturing Company, Morrison; Tennessee Army National Guard, 1970-1976; Named Tennessee Outstanding Young Man, Jaycees, 1984; Named Tennessee's Small Businessman of the Year, U.S. Small Business Administration, 1983; Youngest ever named to Board of Directors, City Bank & Trust, 1983; Vice President, Tennessee Jaycees Foundation Camp Discovery for the Handicapped, 1983; President, Tennessee Jaycees, 1980-1981; Recognition Award, Warren County Democratic Party, 1989; Tennessee State Employees Association Recognition Award, 1990 and 1994; 97th General Assembly Outstanding Senator of the Year, Tennessee Forestry Association, 1992; Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Association of Human Resource Agencies, 1992; Sierra Club Award, 1993; AARP Tennessee State Legislative Committee Certificate, 1994; Bird Dog Award, State Governing Board of Common Cause of Tennessee, 1995; Community Service Award, Tennessee Hospital Association, 1995; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Development District Association, 1996 and 2001; 100th General Assembly Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Association for Home Care, 1997; Outstanding State Senator Award, County Officials Association, 2001; AFL-CIO Leadership Award, Tennessee AFL-CIO, 2001; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Network of Community Organizations, 2002; Friend of Tennessee Nurserymen and Landscape Association Award, 2003; Fraternal Order of Police Ben Lomand Lodge #34 Recognition Award; AARP Tennessee's Legislative Champions Award, 2004; Tennessee Wildlife Federation's Conservation Legislator of the Year, 2004; Member, Alpha Phi Mu, Honorary Engineering Society; Member, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity; Member, University of Tennessee Space Institute Support Council; Member, Tennessee Technology Foundation; Member, Motlow College Foundation.

Member of Senate: 94th through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Bledsoe, Coffee, Franklin, Grundy, Sequatchie, Van Buren, and Warren—14th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 97th through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Carter and Washington—3rd Senatorial District.

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Methodist; University of Chattanooga; J.D. University of Tennessee College of Law in Knoxville; Phi Alpha Delta Fraternity; American Legion; Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association; American Trial Lawyers Association; Tennessee Bar Association; Temple Lodge; Scottish Rite, Alhambra Shrine Temple, High Twelve; Tennessee Interior Designers Legislator of the Year, 1994; Children's Advocacy Center 2000 Emeline Haney Award; Appreciation Award AHEC-Meharry Medical College, 1998-1999; Tennessee Association of Community Action Agencies, 1998; Crutchfield Writing/Research Center (Soddy Daisy High School), 1998; Appreciation Award, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners, 1998; Appreciation Award, Nurse Anesthetists, 1998; Appreciation Award, honorary chairperson, NAACP, 1998; Tennessee Human Resource Agencies' Legislator of the Year, 1997; Outstanding Service Award, University of Tennessee Chattanooga, 1996; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Nurses Association, 1995; University of Tennessee College of Law, Public Service Award, 1995; Tennessee AFL-CIO Leadership Award, 1995; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association; Environmental Health Advocate Award from Tennessee Environmental Council, 1996; Outstanding Legislator Award from the Tennessee Task Force Against Domestic Violence, 1996; Legislator of the Year Award, Tennessee Conservation League, 1992; Conservation Legislator of the Year, Anderson County Sportsman's Club and National Wildlife Federation, 1992; Mary Walker Fight Against Illiteracy Award, 1996; Coalition Against Domestic Violence Award, 2002; Community Action Agency Legislator of the Year, 2002; University of Tennessee Chattanooga Joe Morrison Award, 1996; Tennessee Parks and Greenways Appreciation Award, 1998; Hamilton County Schools Character Education Award, 1999-2000; County Officials Outstanding Senator, 1999; Hamilton County Board of Commissioners Service Award, 1998; Children's Advocacy, 1999; Dotson Avenue/Alton Park Health Centers Service Award, 2000; Angels in Flight Service Award, 2000; Hamilton County Student Services Service Award, 1998; Community Action Agencies Service Award, 2000; TOA Statesman of the Year, 1996-1997; Tennessee Development Districts Legislator of the Year, 1996; Tennessee Firefighters Service Award, 1985; State Employees Service Award, 1987-1991; Tennessee Alliance for Mentally Ill Service Award, 1992; Hamilton County Emergency 911 Services Appreciation Award, 1986; Tennessee Association of Mental Health Centers Service Award, 1987; Hamilton County Elected Officials Service Award, 1993; UTC Chancellors Citation Service Award, 2000; Arthritis Foundation Circle of Hope Service Award, 1995; Tennessee Judicial Conference Service Award, 1987; former chairman of Metropolitan Government Charter Commission; former chairman of Hamilton County Democratic Party, 1970-1984; attorney for Hamilton County Board of Education; former acting attorney for Hamilton County, former chairman of the Hamilton County Legislative Delegation; chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, 83rd and 84th General Assemblies; former Senate Democratic Caucus Chairman; former Senate Democratic Leader; appointed Deputy Speaker, 2005.

Member of Senate: 83rd through 84th and 94th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 80th and 82nd General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Hamilton and Marion—10th Senatorial District.

*Ward Crutchfield resigned from the Senate effective August 6, 2007. The 10th District Senate seat was filled by Andy Berke via special general election on November 15, 2007. Senator Berke was sworn in on Wednesday, November 21, 2007.

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Bar Associations, National Rifle Association, Southwest Tennessee Development District Executive Committee, Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, Greater Gibson County Chamber of Commerce, Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, Milan Chamber of Commerce, and Jackson-Madison County Chamber of Commerce; Member, Senate Environment, Conservation and Tourism and Government Operations Committees; Secretary/Treasurer, Senate Democratic Caucus; Vice Chair, Senate State and Local Government Committee.

Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

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Women's Club; Blount County Right to Life (founder, past president); Cades Cove Protective Association (advisory board); Chambers of Commerce: Blount County, Gatlinburg, and Sevierville; Citizens for Community Improvement, Friendsville; Civil Air Patrol, Tennessee Legislative Squadron; College of American Pathologists (emeritus fellow, F.C.A.P.); East Tennessee Development District (executive committee); Farm Bureaus: Blount County and Sevier County; Foothills Land Conservancy; Friends of Blount County Historical Museum; Friends of the Blount County Library; Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park; Friends of the Kodak Library; Friends of Tennessee Libraries Association; Friends of Tremont; The Gideons International (Blount County North Camp); The Heritage Foundation; Leadership Blount (Class of 2008); Leadership Sevier (Class of 2006); Little River Watershed Association; National Caucus of Environmental Legislators; National Parks Conservation Association; Sevier County Republican Women's Club; Sevier County Right to Life; Tennessee Medical Association (emeritus member); Tennessee Men's Health Network (advisory board); Tennessee Republican Party; Tennessee Wildlife Federation.

Member of Senate: 104th and 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Blount and Sevier—8th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

County Represented: Shelby—29th Senatorial District.

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Member, Schrader Lane Church of Christ; Two Children (one deceased); B.S., Tennessee State University; Former Commissioner, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission; Eight-Year Member, Metropolitan Nashville/Davidson County Council (2nd District); Host for over 20 years, Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Davidson County Children; Member: Nashville Symphony Board; Nashville Alumni Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated; National HOOK-UP of Black Women, Incorporated; Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors; SunTrust Bank Economic Development Advisory Council; Downtown Partnership; Tennessee Children's Home Board of Directors; Who's Who in Politics; and Women in Government; Delegate, Democratic National Convention, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, and 2000; President, Tennessee Commemorative Women's Suffrage Commission; Business Award, National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs; Jaycees' Woman of the Year Award; June Anderson Leadership Award, Middle Tennessee State University; Frances Williams Preston Award for Breast Cancer Awareness, 1999; First African American Female Elected to State Senate; First Female to Preside Over Tennessee Senate; Member: Tennessee Economic Council on Women; Tennessee Black Health Care Commission; Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators (Chair, Davidson County Delegation); Senate State and Local Government Committee; Senate Correction Oversight Committee; and Select Joint Committee on Children & Youth; Chair, Senate Government Operations Committee.

Member of Senate: 97th through 105th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Davidson—19th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 87th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 79th General Assembly.

County Represented: Davidson—21st Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 100th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 95th through 99th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Benton, Decatur, Henderson, Henry, Lake, Obion, Perry, Stewart, and Weakley—24th Senatorial District.

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Legislator of the Year; Tennessee Education Association Legislator of the Year; Tennessee Conservation League and the Sierra Club Legislator of the Year; Tennessee Environmental Council Legislator of the Year; Tennessee Citizen Action League Legislator of the Year; Tennessee Council of Respiratory Care Legislator of the Year.

Member of Senate: 102nd through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 95th through 101st General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Dickson, Giles, Hickman, Humphreys, Lawrence, and Lewis—25th Senatorial District.

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Southern Republican Leadership conference, 2006; Member, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association; Assistant Floor Leader, Republican Caucus; Secretary, Senate Transportation Committee; Member, Senate Government Operations and Senate General Welfare and Human Resources Committees; Chair, Joint State & Local Subcommittee of Joint Government Operations Committee; Member, Tennessee Information Systems Council; Member, Select Oversight Committee on Corrections.

Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

Counties Represented: Davidson and Williamson—23rd Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 103rd through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, and Rutherford—13th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 103rd through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Campbell, Fentress, Morgan, Rhea, Roane, and Scott—12th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

Member of House: 103rd and 104th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Shelby—30th Senatorial District.

**Senator Marrero was elected on March 13 and sworn in on March 14, 2007 to represent the 30th Senatorial District. She replaced former Senator Shea Flinn who was appointed on December 18, 2006 and sworn in on January 9, 2007 to fill the seat vacated by former Senator Stephen Ira Cohen after he was elected to represent the Ninth Congressional District.*

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Catholic; B.S., Memphis State University; Pharmacy Graduate, University of Tennessee; Senate Finance Ways and Means Vice Chairman, 2005; Senate Finance Ways and Means Tax Subcommittee Chairman, 2005; Junior Leagues of Tennessee Legislator of the Year, 2005; Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents Legislative Award, 2004; Tennessee School Boards Association Legislative Award, 2004; Mothers Against Drunk Driving Tennessee Excellence Award, 2004; Rotary Vocational Service Award, 2001; Distinguished Service Award, U.T. College of Pharmacy, 1996; Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International, 1996; Bill Bates Award, 1994; Mothers Against Drunk Driving Outstanding Legislator; Distinguished Service Award, American Council on Alcohol Problems, 1994; Common Cause Bird Dog Award, 1994; Sertoma Man of the Year, 1991; Recipient, Republican Legislator of the Year, 1990; Chairman, Senate Education Committee, 102nd and 103rd General Assemblies; Chairman, Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee; Vice Chairman, Senate Rules Committee; Member, Senate General Welfare Committee; Member, Joint Fiscal Review Contract Services Subcommittee.

Member of Senate: 95th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 91st through 94th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Anderson, Knox, Loudon, and Monroe—5th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 103rd through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Cocke, Greene, Hamblen, and Unicoi—1st Senatorial District.

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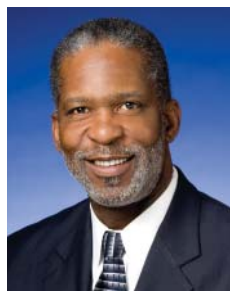
Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

Member of House: 102nd through 104th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Shelby—31st Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

County Represented: Shelby—33rd Senatorial District.

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Church of Christ; Married, Three children; B.S., University of Tennessee at Martin; NCAA basketball official; NFIB Leadership Council; Former Bedford County Board of Education Vice Chairman, 5 years; Past President, Shelbyville-Bedford County Chamber of Commerce, and Founding Member, Economic Development and Tourism Committee; Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; Past Member, Rotary Club; Member, Bedford County Free Community Clinic; Former Chairman, Tennessee Leadership Council, National Federation of Independent Business; Member, Senate Education Committee; Member, Senate State and Local Committee; Chair, Senate Transportation Committee.

Member of Senate: 104th and 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Bedford, Moore, and Rutherford—16th Senatorial District.

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Board Member, UTC Alumni Association; Past Board Member, University of Tennessee National Alumni Association; American Heart Association Volunteer; Former Board Member, Rhea County Tourism and Economic Development; Board Member, Southeast Tennessee Development District; Former Member, Tennessee House of Representatives, 31st Representative District (Hamilton and Rhea Counties), 104th General Assembly; Member, Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee; Secretary, Senate State and Local Government Committee; Member, Senate Government Operations Committee (GOC); Member, GOC Judiciary, Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Chairman, GOC General Welfare Subcommittee; Select Oversight Committee on TennCare; Education Oversight; Council on Pensions and Insurance; Tennessee Court Information System Steering Committee; Assistant Floor Leader, Republican Caucus; Chairman, Republican Caucus Bill Review.

Member of Senate: 105th General Assembly.

Member of House: 104th General Assembly.

County Represented: Hamilton—11th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 81st and 85th through 105th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Chester, Crockett, Fayette, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, McNairy, and Wayne—26th Senatorial District.

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Member of Senate: 100th through 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 97th through 99th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Claiborne, Grainger, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, and Union—4th Senatorial District.

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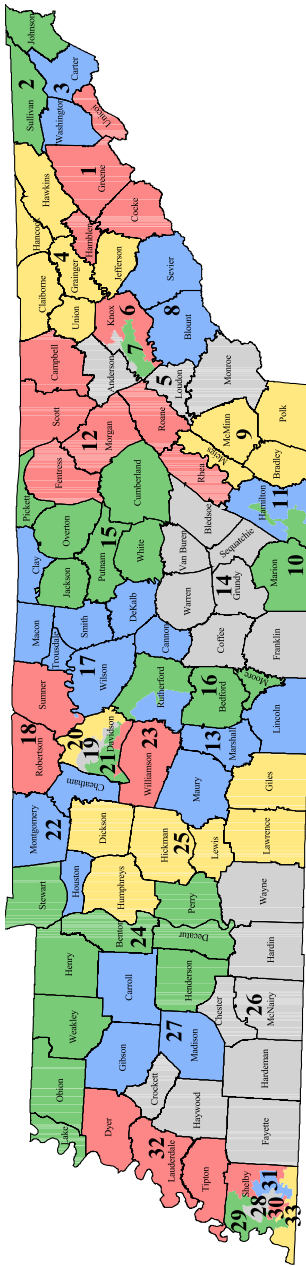
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Member of Senate: 104th and 105th General Assemblies.

Member of House: 101st through 103rd General Assemblies.

County Represented: Knox—6th Senatorial District.

105th General Assembly Senate Districts*



District County

- 1st – Cooke, Greene, Hamblen, Unicoi
- 2nd – Johnson, Sullivan
- 3rd – Carter, Washington
- 4th – Claiborne, Grainger, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Union
- 5th – Anderson, Knox (in part), Loudon, Monroe
- 6th – Knox (in part)
- 7th – Knox (in part)
- 8th – Blount, Sevier
- 9th – Bradley, McMinn, Meigs, Polk
- 10th – Hamilton (in part), Marion
- 11th – Hamilton (in part)
- 12th – Campbell, Fentress, Morgan, Rhea, Roane, Scott
- 13th – Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Rutherford (in part)

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- 14th – Bledsoe, Coffee, Franklin, Grundy, Sequatchie, Van Buren, Warren
- 15th – Cumberland, Jackson, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, White
- 16th – Bedford, Moore, Rutherford (in part), Cannon, Clay, DeKalb, Macon, Smith,
- 17th – Sumner (in part), Trousdale, Wilson
- 18th – Robertson, Sumner (in part)
- 19th – Davidson (in part)
- 20th – Davidson (in part)
- 21st – Davidson (in part)
- 22nd – Cheatham, Houston, Montgomery
- 23rd – Davidson (in part), Williamson
- 24th – Benton, Decatur, Henderson, Henry, Lake, Obion, Perry, Stewart, Weakley

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- 25th – Dickson, Giles, Hickman, Humphreys, Lawrence, Lewis
- 26th – Chester, Crockett, Fayette, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, McNairy, Wayne
- 27th – Carroll, Gibson, Madison
- 28th – Shelby (in part)
- 29th – Shelby (in part)
- 30th – Shelby (in part)
- 31st – Shelby (in part)
- 32nd – Dyer, Lauderdale, Shelby (in part), Tipton
- 33rd – Shelby (in part)

*Map shows approximate area served.

