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Rich Taylor

Rich Taylor (Democratic Party) was a member of the Iowa State Senate representing District 42. He assumed office on January 2, 2013. His term of office in the Iowa State Senate to represent District 44. He lost in the general election on November 8, 2022.

Biography

Taylor's professional experience includes working as an HVAC technician and maintenance worker for the Iowa State Penitentiary.[1]

Committee assignments

2021-2020

Taylor was assigned to the following committees:

- Senate Agriculture Committee
- Senate Judiciary Committee
- Labor and Business Relations Committee
- Senate Veterans Affairs Committee, Ranking Member

2017 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2017 legislative session, this legislator served on the following committees:

Iowa committee assignments, 2017	[show]
Agriculture	
Judiciary	
Labor and Business Relations	

2015 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2015 legislative session, Taylor served on the following committees:

Iowa committee assignments, 2015	[show]

2013-2014

At the beginning of the 2013 legislative session, Taylor served on the following committees:

Iowa committee assignments, 2013	[show]

Elections

2022

See also: Iowa State Senate elections, 2022

General election

General election for Iowa State Senate District 44

Candidate filing deadline: 5:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. Voter registration deadline: Iowa Voter Lookup Opens Oct. 8 | Election Day: Nov. 8, 2022

	Candidate		Votes
✓	Adam Dickey (R)	58.7%	15,301
	Rich Taylor (D)	26.4%	7,695
	Other/Write-in votes	15.0%	22

Ballotpedia's sources for ballotpedia's candidate connection survey.

Incumbents in bold and underlined. Source: Iowa Secretary of State, "2022 General Election Candidate Connection survey." Accessed on September 6, 2022.

Total votes: 23,018

Republican primary election

Republican primary for Iowa State Senate District 44

Candidate filing deadline: 5:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, March 29, 2022. Voter registration deadline: Iowa Voter Lookup Opens Oct. 8 | Election Day: June 7, 2022

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Adam Dickey	99.6%	5,362
	Other/Write-in votes	0.4%	20

Ballotpedia's sources for ballotpedia's candidate connection survey.

Incumbents in bold and underlined. Source: Iowa Secretary of State, "2022 Primary Election Candidate Connection survey." Accessed on September 6, 2022.

Total votes: 5,382

2020

See also: Iowa State Senate elections, 2020

General election

General election for Iowa State Senate District 42

Candidate filing deadline: 5:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Voter registration deadline: Iowa Voter Lookup Opens Oct. 9 | Election Day: Nov. 3, 2020

	Candidate		Votes
✓	Jeffrey Reichman (R)	51.2%	16,766
	Rich Taylor (D)	48.8%	15,998
	Other/Write-in votes	0.0%	31

Ballotpedia's sources for ballotpedia's candidate connection survey.

Incumbents in bold and underlined. Source: Iowa Secretary of State, "2020 General Election Candidate Connection survey." Accessed on September 6, 2020.

Total votes: 32,795

Democratic primary election

Democratic primary for Iowa State Senate District 42

Candidate filing deadline: 5:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Voter registration deadline: Iowa Voter Lookup Opens Oct. 9 | Election Day: June 2, 2020

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Rich Taylor	100.0%	3,991
	Other/Write-in votes	0.5%	21

Ballotpedia's sources for ballotpedia's candidate connection survey.

Incumbents in bold and underlined. Source: Iowa Secretary of State, "2020 Primary Election Candidate Connection survey." Accessed on September 6, 2020.

Total votes: 4,012

Republican primary election

Republican primary for Iowa State Senate District 42

Candidate filing deadline: 5:00 p.m. CST on Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Voter registration deadline: Iowa Voter Lookup Opens Oct. 9 | Election Day: June 2, 2020

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Jeffrey Reichman	99.5%	3,338
	Nancy Arvos	0.4%	1,387
	Other/Write-in votes	0.1%	14

Ballotpedia's sources for ballotpedia's candidate connection survey.

Incumbents in bold and underlined. Source: Iowa Secretary of State, "2020 Primary Election Candidate Connection survey." Accessed on September 6, 2020.

There were no incumbents in this race. The results have been certified. Source: Iowa Secretary of State

Total votes: 4,539

2016

See also: Iowa State Senate elections, 2016

Elections for the Iowa State Senate were held in 2016. The primary election took place on June 7, 2016, and the general election was held on November 8, 2016. The candidate filing deadline was March 28, 2016.

Incumbent Rich Taylor defeated Danny Gruber in the Iowa State Senate District 42 general election.[2][3][4]

Iowa State Senate, District 42 General Election, 2016		
Party	Candidate	Votes %	Votes
Democratic	✓Rich Taylor (Incumbent)	51.6%	15,938
Republican	Danny Gruber	48.4%	15,006
	Total Votes	100%	30,944

Source: Iowa Secretary of State

Incumbent Rich Taylor ran unopposed in the Iowa State Senate District 42 Democratic primary.[5][6][7]

Danny Gruber defeated Ralph Rabinstein in the Iowa State Senate District 42 Republican primary.[5][6]

Iowa State Senate, District 42 Republican Primary, 2016		
Candidate	Votes %	Votes
✓Danny Gruber	57.1%	1,533
Ralph Rabinstein	42.9%	1,152
Total Votes	100%	2,685

2012

See also: Iowa State Senate elections, 2012

Taylor ran in the 2012 election for Iowa State Senate District 42. He defeated Donna Amandus and Rich Mosardo in the Democratic primary on June 5, 2012. Taylor defeated Larry Kruse (R) in the general election on November 6, 2012.[8][9]

Iowa State Senate, District 42, General Election, 2012			(Collapse)
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
Democratic	✓Rich Taylor	50.6%	15,058
Republican	Larry Kruse	44.7%	13,292
Independent	Michael Garrow	4.7%	1,396
Total Votes			29,735

Iowa State Senate, District 42 Democratic Primary, 2012			(Collapse)
Candidate	VOTE %	VOTES
✓Rich Taylor	49.8%	1,441
Donna Amandus	35.6%	1,032
Rich Mosardo	14.6%	423
Total Votes		2,901

Campaign themes

2022

Ballotpedia survey responses

See also: Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection

Rich Taylor did not complete Ballotpedia's 2022 Candidate Connection survey.

2020

Rich Taylor did not complete Ballotpedia's 2020 Candidate Connection survey.

Campaign donors

Note: The finance data shown here comes from the disclosures required of candidates and parties. Depending on the election or state, this may represent only a portion of the funds spent on their behalf. Satellite spending groups may or may not disclose their donors, which can be a significant portion of the total. Ballotpedia's campaign finance data is updated weekly with new data from elections may be incomplete. For elections in federal office, complete data can be found at the FEC website. Click here for more on federal campaign finance law and here for more on state campaign finance law.

Rich Taylor campaign contribution history			
Year	Office	Status	Contributions
2016	Iowa State Senate, District 42	✓	$232,633
	Grand total		**$232,633**

Source: Follow the Money

2016

Taylor raised a total of $232,633 from the Iowa State Senate District 42 campaign.

Iowa State Senate, District 42 campaign contributions	[show]

Top contributors to Rich Taylor's campaign in 2016	
Iowa Democratic Party	$20,000
Barker, Tom & Christie	$6,000
International Brotherhood Of Electrical Workers	$3,500
Associated General Contractors Of Iowa	$3,000
Iowa Trial Lawyers Association	$2,500
Total raised in 2016	**$232,633**

Source: Follow the Money

2012

Taylor raised a total of $142,599 from the Iowa State Senate District 42 campaign.

Iowa State Senate, District 42 campaign contributions	[show]

Scorecards

See also: State legislative scorecards and State legislative scorecards in Iowa

A scorecard evaluates a legislator's voting record. Its purpose is to inform voters about the legislator's political positions. Because scorecards have varying purposes and methodologies, each report should be considered on its own merits. For example, an organization may include a bill on its scorecard to highlight a legislator's vote for or against an issue while a state newspaper's scorecard may evaluate the voting record of its readership.

Ballotpedia is in the process of developing an encyclopedia list of published scorecards. Some states have a limited number of available scorecards or none at all. For example, in Texas, it is Ballotpedia's goal to incorporate all available scorecards regardless of ideology or number.

Click here for an overview of legislative scorecards in all 50 states. To contribute to the list of Iowa scorecards, email suggestions to editor@ballotpedia.org.

2020

In 2020, the Iowa State Legislature was in session from January 13 to June 14. The session was suspended from March 16 through June 3.

- Club for Growth Foundation
Legislators are scored on their votes on bills related to economic issues.
- Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO
Legislators are scored on their votes on bills related to labor issues.
- National Federation of Independent Business
Legislators are scored on their votes on bills related to business issues.
- The American Conservative Union
Legislators are scored on their votes on conservation issues.

2019

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2013

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Endorsements

Presidential preference

2016 presidential endorsement

- Taylor endorsed Martin O'Malley for the Democratic primary in the 2016 U.S. presidential election.[10]

See also: Endorsements for Martin O'Malley

2016 Presidential Endorsements by State Senators	[show]

Personal

Note: Please contact us if the personal information below requires an update. Rich and his wife, Annette, have two children.[11]

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Political offices		
Preceded by Steven Hansen (D)	Iowa State Senate District 42 2013-2021	Succeeded by Jeffrey Reichman (R)

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