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Bette Grande

Bette Grande is a former Republican member of the North Dakota House of Representatives, representing District 41 in Fargo, North Dakota.

Grande was an at-large delegate to the 2016 Republican National Convention from North Dakota. All North Dakota delegates were unpledged. Grande, however, was one of 18 North Dakota delegates on a list of preferred delegates circulated by Ted Cruz's campaign prior to the North Dakota State Convention in April 2016.[1] Cruz suspended his campaign on May 3, 2016. At the time, he had approximately 546 bound delegates. For more on what happened to his delegates, see this page.

Bette Grande

Republican Party

Prior offices

North Dakota House of Representatives District 41

Education

Bachelor's University of North Dakota

Personal

Religion Christian: Methodist

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Biography

Grande earned a B.S. in education from University of North Dakota. Her professional experience includes working as a substitute teacher, office manager and a director of Christian education.[2]

Committee assignments

2013-2014

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

North Dakota committee assignments, [hide] 2013

Appropriations

2011-2012

In the 2011-2012 legislative session, Grande served on the following committees:

North Dakota committee assignments, [show] 2011

2009-2010

In the 2009-2010 legislative session, Grande served on the following committee:

North Dakota committee assignments, [show] 2009

Elections

2014

See also: North Dakota House of Representatives elections, 2014

Elections for the North Dakota House of Representatives took place in 2014. A primary election took place on June 10, 2014. The general election was held on November 4, 2014. The signature filing deadline for candidates wishing to run in this election was April 7, 2014. Incumbent Bette Grande and incumbent Al Carlson were unopposed in the Republican primary, while Pamela Anderson and Sheila Christensen defeated Lillian Jones in the Democratic primary. Anderson (D) and Carlson (R) defeated Christensen (D) and Grande (R) in the general election.[3][4][5]

North Dakota House of Representatives, District 41, General Election, 2014 [Collapse]			
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
Democratic	✓Pamela Anderson	27.2%	2,639
Republican	✓Al Carlson Incumbent	26.7%	2,590
Republican	Bette Grande Incumbent	24.2%	2,347
Democratic	Sheila Christensen	21.8%	2,113
Total Votes			**9,689**

North Dakota House of Representatives, District 41 Democratic Primary, 2014 [Expand]

2012

See also: United States House of Representatives elections in North Dakota, 2012

Grande ran in the 2012 election for the U.S. House, representing North Dakota At-large district.[6] She was defeated in the Republican primary.

According to the *Washington Post*, North Dakota was a battleground district in 2012, with incumbent Rick Berg running for Senate and Republicans ducking it out in the primary. Democrat Pam Gulleson had a "fighting chance" in a conservative state.[7]

2010

See also: North Dakota House of Representatives, 2010

Grande won re-election to one of two seats in District 41 of the North Dakota House of Representatives. Grande and fellow incumbent Al Carlson (R) defeated Tyrel Hegland (D) in the November 2 general election.[8][9]

North Dakota State House, District 41	
Candidates	**Votes**
✓ Al Carlson (R)	3,016
✓ Bette Grande (R)	2,750
Tyrel Hegland (D)	2,153

2006

See also: North Dakota House of Representatives, 2006

On November 7, 2006, Carlson won election by finishing 2nd out of 2 candidates for District 41 of the North Dakota House of Representatives.[10]

North Dakota House of Representatives, District 41	
Candidates	**Votes**
✓ Bette Grande (D-NPL)	2,652
✓ Al Carlson (R)	2,903

Campaign donors

2010

In 2010, Grande received $3,650 in campaign donations. The top contributors are listed below.[11]

North Dakota House of Representatives 2010 election - Campaign Contributions [show]

2006

In 2006, Grande collected $1,650 in donations.[12]

These were her contributors in 2006.

Donor	Amount
NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS	$500
NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF TELEPHONE COOPERATIVES	$300
NORTH DAKOTA CHIROPRACTIC ASSOCIATION	$300
NORTH DAKOTA LONG TERM CARE ASSOCIATION	$300
MDU RESOURCES GROUP	$250

Scorecards

See also: State legislative scorecards and State legislative scorecards in North Dakota

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 advocacy group's scorecard may assess a legislator's voting record on one issue while a state newspaper's scorecard may evaluate the voting record in its entirety.

Ballotpedia is in the process of developing an encyclopedic list of published scorecards. Some states have a limited number of available scorecards or scorecards produced only by select groups. 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 North Dakota scorecards, email suggestions to editor@ballotpedia.org ✉.

2014

In 2014, the North Dakota Legislative Assembly did not hold a regular session.

2013

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2012

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2011

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NDPC: North Dakota Legislative Review

See also: North Dakota Policy Council Legislative Review (2011)

The *North Dakota Policy Council*, a North Dakota-based nonprofit research organization which describes itself as "liberty-based", published the **North Dakota Legislative Review**, a comprehensive report on how state legislators voted during the 2011 legislative session. The scorecard seeks to show how North Dakota legislators voted on the principles the Council seeks to promote. The Council recorded and scored votes on both spending bills and policy bills, and awarded points accordingly. Policy issues voted upon included income tax cuts, pension reform, and government transparency. On spending legislation, the Council accorded a percentage score based on how much spending the legislator voted against. On policy legislation, scores range from the highest score (100%) to the lowest (0%). A higher score indicates that the legislator voted more in favor of the values supported by the Council.[13] Grande received a score of 75.90% on policy legislation and voted against 2.24% of state spending. Grande was ranked 19th on policy and 83rd on spending, out of 94 House members evaluated for the study.[14]

2016 Republican National Convention

See also: Republican National Convention, 2016

Grande was an at-large delegate to the 2016 Republican National Convention from North Dakota.

Delegate rules

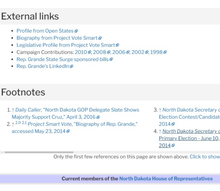
See also: RNC delegate guidelines from North Dakota, 2016 and Republican delegates from North Dakota, 2016

Delegates from North Dakota to the 2016 Republican National Convention were selected by committee at the state Republican convention in April 2016. North Dakota GOP bylaws did not require delegates to indicate which presidential candidate they prefer at the time of their selection. At the national convention, delegates from North Dakota were **unbound on all ballots.**

Delegate allocation

See also: 2016 presidential nominations: calendar and delegate rules

North Dakota had 28 delegates at the 2016 Republican National Convention: 22 at-large delegates, three congressional district delegates, and three national party leaders (identified on the chart below as RNC delegates). Delegates to the state convention were selected at district conventions, where no presidential preference poll was taken. The state's Republican National Convention delegation was selected at the state GOP convention, April 1-3, 2016.[15][16][17]



Personal

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As of 2014, Grande and her husband, Don, had three children and resided in Fargo, North Dakota.[2]

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