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Eric Pratt

Eric Pratt (Republican Party) is a member of the Minnesota Senate, representing District 54. He assumed office on January 3, 2023. His current term ends on January 9, 2023.

Pratt (Republican Party) ran for re-election to the Minnesota State Senate. He represented District 54. He won in the general election on November 8, 2022.

Eric Pratt
Minnesota State Senate District 54
Term ends
January 9, 2023
Term limited
Term ends
January 9, 2023
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Committee assignments

The membership information was last updated in March 2023. Ballotpedia's staff is currently reviewing the 2023 committee assignments. If you would like to email us an update, email us at ballot@ballotpedia.org.

2023-2022

Pratt was assigned to the following committees:

- Agriculture and Food Processing Subcommittee
- Finance Committee
- Minnesota Agriculture and Food Policy Committee, Chair
- Minnesota Legislature Committee
- State Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee

2019-2020

Pratt was assigned to the following committees:

- Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy Committee, Chair
- Finance Committee
- Energy and Utilities Finance and Policy Committee
- Environment and Natural Resources Committee
- Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy Committee, Chair
- Senate Taxes Committee

2027 legislative session

During the 2027 Minnesota State Legislature, this legislator served on the following committees:

Minnesota committee assignments, 2027
Environment and Climate Finance and Policy
Finance
K-12 Education Finance, Vice chair
K-12 Education Policy & Oversight
Energy and Utilities
Environment and Climate
Taxes
Transportation

2025 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2025 legislative session, Pratt served on the following committees:

Minnesota committee assignments, 2025
None

2013-2014

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

Minnesota committee assignments, 2013-2014
Agriculture and Agribusiness Development Subcommittee
Transportation and Public Safety

Issues

2016 presidential endorsement

Pratt endorsed Mary Ruth for the Republican primary in the 2016 U.S. presidential election.[1]

See also Endorsements for Mary Ruth

2016 Presidential Endorsements by State Senators (2016)

Sponsored legislation

The following table lists bills sponsored by the legislator. Bills are mentioned by bill number and summary action status. The following bill may not be complete/accurate. It was last updated by Ballotpedia on January 26, 2024. Click on the legislator's name in the title of the table.

Bills Sponsored by: Eric Pratt

HR 52014 - Neighborhood Development Center gr.
HR 52014 - Neighborhood Development Center gr. - appropriating money for a grant to the Neighborhood Development Center.
02/13/2014 - Hearing: (10:30 AM 10:30 AM)

HR 52 LEX - Lakeville regional public safety train.
HR 52 LEX - Lakeville regional public safety train. - appropriating money for a regional public safety training center in Lakeville, authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.
02/06/2014 - Referred to Capital Investment

Elections

2022

See also Minnesota State Senate elections, 2022

General election

General election for Minnesota State Senate District 54

Incumbent Eric Pratt defeated Alicia Gravalin in the general election for Minnesota State Senate District 54 on August 9, 2022.

Candidate	Votes	%
Eric Pratt (R)	20,632	60.9%
Alicia Gravalin (D)	13,262	39.1%
Other/Write-in votes	75	0.2%
Total votes	33,969	100%

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State's Office

Democratic primary election

Democratic primary election for Minnesota State Senate District 54

Alicia Gravalin defeated Tabitha Barnes in the Democratic primary for Minnesota State Senate District 54 on August 9, 2022.

Candidate	Votes	%
Alicia Gravalin	3,556	100%
Total votes	3,556	100%

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State's Office

Republican primary election

Republican primary for Minnesota State Senate District 54

Eric Pratt defeated Tabitha Barnes in the Republican primary for Minnesota State Senate District 54 on August 9, 2022.

Candidate	Votes	%
Eric Pratt	3,447	77.1%
Tabitha Barnes	1,023	22.9%
Total votes	4,470	100%

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State's Office

Campaign finance

2022 election (no L 2020 - Dec. 31, 2021)

Contributions	$12,170	Expenditures	$66,146
		Balance	$0
Number of unique contributors	12	Number of unique payees	14

Top Contributors		Top Payees	
Independent Voters of Minnesota PAC	$2,000	Kelly Law	$7,500
Lawrence Robert A Stanton	$1,000	Stanton Lawyer	$7,000
Kaul Bruce	$1,000	Jordan Sandman Anderson & Anderson PA	$5,000
Mix Chris	$1,000	Blue Earth	$1,000
Kelly Jeffrey	$1,000	Mix Chris	$1,000
Fischer Mason	$1,000	Pratt Eric	$1,000
Lee Brian	$1,000	Postmasters Inc	$1,000
Stanton Robert A	$1,000	Minnesota Secretary of State	$1,000
Kaul Bruce Campaign	$1,000	Minnesota Secretary of State	$1,000

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Source: Ballotpedia, "Campaign finance" (accessed June 1, 2022)

2020

See also Minnesota State Senate elections, 2020

General election

General election for Minnesota State Senate District 55

Incumbent Eric Pratt defeated Sahra Osowa in the general election for Minnesota State Senate District 55 on November 3, 2020.

Candidate	Votes	%
Eric Pratt (R)	35,332	51.9%
Sahra Osowa (D)	32,651	48.0%
Other/Write-in votes	49	0.1%
Total votes	68,032	100%

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State's Office

Democratic primary election

The Democratic primary election candidate Sahra Osowa advanced from the Democratic primary for Minnesota State Senate District 55.

Republican primary election

The Republican primary election was cancelled. Incumbent Eric Pratt advanced from the Republican primary for Minnesota State Senate District 55.

Campaign finance

2020 election (no L 2019 - Dec. 31, 2020)

Contributions	$26,170	Expenditures	$66,146
		Balance	$0
Number of unique contributors	12	Number of unique payees	14

Top Contributors		Top Payees	
Independent Voters of Minnesota PAC	$2,000	Kelly Law	$7,500
Pratt Sandra	$1,000	Stanton Victoria Prentiss	$1,000
Minnesota Beverage Institute	$1,000	Pratt Eric	$1,000
Minnesota Business Partnership PAC	$1,000	Postmasters Inc	$1,000
Minnesota Power Inc Employee PAC	$1,000	Minnesota Secretary of State	$1,000
Campaign Minnesota Inc Blue	$1,000	Minnesota Secretary of State	$1,000
Pratt Eric	$1,000	Pratt Eric	$1,000
Stanton Robert	$1,000	Minnesota Secretary of State	$1,000
Kaul Bruce	$1,000	Pratt Eric	$1,000

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Source: Ballotpedia, "Campaign finance" (accessed June 1, 2022)

2016

See also Minnesota State Senate elections, 2016

The Minnesota State Senate held elections in 2016. The primary election took place on August 9, 2016, and the general election was held on November 8, 2016. The candidate filing deadline was May 31, 2016.

Incumbent Eric Pratt defeated Jim Ward in the Minnesota State Senate District 55 general election.[2][3]

Minnesota State Senate, District 55 General Election, 2016			(Pratt defeated Ward)
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTES	%
Republican	**Eric Pratt**	55,274	55.2%
Democratic	Kathy Busch	44,874	44.8%
Total Votes		**100,148**	

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State

2012

See also Minnesota State Senate elections, 2012

Pratt won election in the 2012 election for Minnesota State Senate District 55. He was unopposed in the Republican primary on August 14 and defeated Kathy Busch (D) in the general election on November 6, 2012.[4][5][6]

Minnesota State Senate, District 55 General Election, 2012			(Pratt defeated Busch)
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTES	%
Republican	**Eric Pratt**	50,976	55.2%
Democratic	Kathy Busch	41,374	44.8%
Total Votes		**92,350**	

Source: Minnesota Secretary of State

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Campaign themes

2022

Ballotpedia survey responses

See also Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection

Eric Pratt did not complete Ballotpedia's 2020 Candidate Connection survey.

2012

Pratt's campaign highlighted the following campaign themes:[7]

Business Climate

- Excerpt: "We need to make that we compete in a global economy and with neighboring states. Reducing the cost of doing business and investing in infrastructure will attract business investment and create good paying jobs."

Role of Government

- Excerpt: "Local government is the best able to meet the unique needs of its community. Cities, counties and school districts have been unfairly burdened by unfunded mandates and "shifts and cuts of" revenues to meet budgetary needs."

Personal Taxes

- Excerpt: "I believe Minnesota should flatten the tax code and expand the tax base. Our current system, especially sales taxes, are regressive and hitting the lowest income families the hardest."

Life

- Excerpt: "I am pro-life."

Voter ID

- Excerpt: "The credibility of our election system relies on ensuring we have credible votes and voters. As the Legislature considers voter ID legislation, I will specifically ensure that protections in place today to defend the integrity of our elections."

Campaign donors

Note: The finance data pulled from sources that include the disclosure requirements of candidates and parties, depending on the state in question, may not be accurate and may not be a portrayal of all the funds spent on behalf of the candidate. Campaign finance data may or may not have expended funds related to the candidate or politician or whose page you are reading this information on. Ballotpedia's campaign finance data is pulled from the following sources: Campaign finance data for state-level candidates can be found at FEC.gov[8] and OpenSecrets.org[9]. Click here for more on federal campaign finance and how to read our state campaign finance tables.

Eric Pratt campaign contribution history

2022	Minnesota State Senate District 54	✓	$20,632
2016	Minnesota State Senate District 55	✓	$55,274
2012	Minnesota State Senate District 55	✓	$50,976
	Grand total raised		**$126,882**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

2016

Pratt won in the election for Minnesota State Senate District 55. Pratt raised a total of **$55,633**.

Minnesota State Senate District 55 - campaign contributions	
Top contributors to Eric Pratt's campaign in 2016	
Pratt Carol	$6,000
Pratt Eric	$3,500
Minnesota Beverage Institute	$2,000
Employee Minnesota Inc Group Political Fund	$1,000
Lawrence, Robert	$1,000
Total raised in 2016	**$55,633**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

2012

Pratt won in the election for Minnesota State Senate District 55. Pratt raised a total of **$27,369**.

Minnesota State Senate District 55 - campaign contributions	
Top contributors to Eric Pratt's campaign in 2012	
Independent Voters of Minnesota Political Fund	$2,000
Minnesota Power Inc Employee Political Fund	$1,000
Pratt Sandra	$1,000
Minnesota Beverage Institute	$1,000
Campaign Minnesota Inc Blue	$1,000
Pratt Eric	$1,000
Stanton Robert	$1,000
Kaul Bruce	$1,000
Fischer Mason	$1,000
Lee Brian	$1,000
Stanton Robert A	$1,000
Kaul Bruce Campaign	$1,000
Total raised in 2012	**$27,369**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

Scorecards

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

A scorecard evaluates a legislator's voting record. Its purpose is to inform voters about the legislator's political ideology. Scorecards are produced by various organizations, including interest groups, newspapers, and political parties. Interest groups can use scorecards to inform their members and supporters about how well they assess a legislator's voting record on issues they value. For example, an advocacy group focused on protecting the environment may assign a legislator a high score if the legislator's voting record indicates the voting record is its ideal vote.

Scorecards can be used by voters to compare their own ideology with that of their elected officials. Some states have a limited number of available scorecards, which may be of little use to voters if the scorecards are not representative of the ideology of a number of 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 Minnesota scorecards, email suggestions to ballot@ballotpedia.org.

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