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Melissa Ballard

Melissa Ballard (Republican Party) is a member of the Utah House of Representatives, representing District 20. She assumed office on January 1, 2015. Her current term ends on January 1, 2025.

Ballard (Republican Party) ran for re-election to the Utah House of Representatives to represent District 20. She won in the general election on November 8, 2022.

Republican Party
Utah House of Representatives District 20
Term ends
2025 - Present
Term ends
2025
Years in position
2
Profession
Realtor
Compensation
Base salary - $250 legislative day
Per diem - None. Representatives receive $150 per day from the capitol, can receive up to $300/day.
Elections and appointments
Last elected - November 8, 2022
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Committee assignments

This membership information was last updated in March 2022. Ballotpedia completes yearly updates of committee membership. If you would like to send us an update, email us at editor@ballotpedia.org.

2021-2022

Ballard was assigned to the following committees:

- House Education Committee
- Transportation Committee

2019-2020

Ballard was assigned to the following committees:

- House Education Committee
- Transportation Committee

Elections

2022

See also: Utah House of Representatives elections, 2022

General election

General election for Utah House of Representatives District 20

INCUMBENT Melissa Ballard defeated Phil Graves and Daniel Rhead Cottam in the general election for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on November 8, 2022

Candidate	%	Votes
✓ Melissa Ballard (R)	68 %	6,525
Phil Graves (D)	31 %	3,122
Daniel Rhead Cottam (L)	1 %	579

Incumbents are **bolded and underlined**. Source
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Democratic primary election

The Democratic primary election was canceled. Phil Graves advanced from the Democratic primary for Utah House of Representatives District 20.

Republican primary election

Republican primary for Utah House of Representatives District 20

INCUMBENT Melissa Ballard defeated Ronald Mortensen in the Republican primary for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on June 28, 2022.

Candidate	%	Votes
✓ Melissa Ballard	65 %	3,204
Ronald Mortensen	35 %	1,671

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Total votes: 4,875
(66.00% precincts reporting)
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Libertarian primary election

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Democratic convention

Democratic convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20

This race was a unique "one-to-watch" candidate for the Utah House of Representatives District 20 on March 26, 2022.

Candidate
✓ Phil Graves (D)

There were no incumbents in this race.
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Republican convention

Republican convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20

INCUMBENT Melissa Ballard and Ronald Mortensen advanced from the Republican convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on March 26, 2022.

Candidate
✓ Melissa Ballard (R)
✓ Ronald Mortensen (R)

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Libertarian convention

Libertarian convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20

Daniel Rhead Cottam advanced from the Libertarian convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on April 9, 2022.

Candidate
✓ Daniel Rhead Cottam (L)

There were no incumbents in this race.
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2020

See also: Utah House of Representatives elections, 2020

General election

General election for Utah House of Representatives District 20

INCUMBENT Melissa Ballard defeated Phil Graves in the general election for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on November 3, 2020.

Candidate	%	Votes
✓ Melissa Ballard (R)	67 %	13,828
Phil Graves (D)	33 %	6,717

Incumbents are **bolded and underlined**. The results have been certified. Total votes: 20,545
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Democratic convention

Democratic convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20

Phil Graves advanced from the Democratic convention for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on April 25, 2020.

Candidate
✓ Phil Graves (D)

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2018

See also: Utah House of Representatives elections, 2018

General election

General election for Utah House of Representatives District 20

Melissa Ballard defeated Ryan Jones in the general election for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on November 6, 2018.

Candidate	%	Votes
✓ Melissa Ballard (R)	65 %	10,131
Ryan Jones (D)	35 %	5,379

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Total votes: 15,490
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Republican primary election

Republican primary for Utah House of Representatives District 20

Melissa Ballard defeated Matt Jensen and Glen Jenkins in the Republican primary for Utah House of Representatives District 20 on June 26, 2018.

Candidate	%	Votes
✓ Melissa Ballard	45 %	2,207
Matt Jensen	41 %	2,031
Glen Jenkins	14 %	1,106

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See also: Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection

Melissa Ballard did not complete Ballotpedia's 2022 Candidate Connection survey.

2020

Melissa Ballard did not complete Ballotpedia's 2020 Candidate Connection survey.

Scorecards

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

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.

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