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Mick Bates

Mick Bates (Republican Party) was a member of the West Virginia House of Delegates representing District 29. He assumed office on January 13, 2021.

Bates (Republican Party) ran for election to the West Virginia State Senate to represent District 9. He lost in the primary election on May 12, 2020.

On May 12, 2020, Bates announced that he was leaving the Democratic Party and joining the Republican Party. He said, "I have been a Democrat my entire life, but party affiliation, Bates said, "At a national level, the controlling interests and leadership of the Democratic party continue to pursue positions that alienate and offend the majority of West Virginia voters and don't reflect the priorities, values, or beliefs of the people in West Virginia."[1]

Mick Bates
Source: Mick Bates campaign website, "Home," accessed May 15, 2020

Campaign Info
West Virginia House of Delegates District 29
Incumbent: **Mick Bates**
Term ends: **January 2, 2023**
Personal Info
Occupation: **Retired**
Education: **Bachelor's, Marshall University**
Profession: **Retired**
Contact Info
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Biography

Bates served as a U.S. ambassador from Zurich University. He is the owner of a physical therapy company, Bodyworks.[2][3]

Committee assignments

The membership information was last updated in March 2020. Bodiesbody assignments for the current legislative session. If you would like to send us an update, email us at editorial@ballotpedia.org.

2021-2022

Bates was assigned to the following committees:

- House Banking and Insurance Committee, Minority chair
- House Finance Committee, Minority chair
- House Interstate Cooperation Committee

2019-2020

Bates was assigned to the following committees:

- House Banking and Insurance Committee
- House Committee on Government Organization
- House Finance Committee, Minority Chair
- House Rules Committee

2021 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2021 legislative session, this legislator served on the following committees:

West Virginia committee assignments, 2021-2022
Banking and Insurance
Finance
Health and Human Resources
Small Business, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Development

2019 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2019 legislative session, Bates served on the following committees:

West Virginia committee assignments, 2019-2020
Banking and Insurance
Finance
Health and Human Resources
Small Business, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Development

Sponsored legislation

The following bills were sponsored by this legislator. Bills are monitored by BillTrack50 and sorted by action history. The following list may not be comprehensive. To see all bills sponsored by this person, click on the legislator's name in the legislature's database.

Bills Sponsored by Rep. Mick Bates

WV HB4000 - Requiring combated sections of code
Requiring combated sections of code relating to health
04/15/2021 - Chapter 24, Acts, Regular Session, 2021

WV HB4112 - Provide consumers a choice for pharmacy
Provide consumers a choice for pharmacy services
04/15/2021 - Chapter 119, Acts, Regular Session, 2021

WV HB4121 - Public Health definitions and power
Public Health definitions and powers of secretary and boards
04/19/2021 - Chapter 226, Acts, Regular Session, 2021

Elections

2022

State Senate
See also: *West Virginia State Senate elections, 2022*

General election

General election for West Virginia State Senate District 9

Incumbent Mick Bates was not nominated to run in West Virginia State Senate District 9 in November 8, 2022.

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Robin Roberts (R)	71%	18,456
	Karl Wouters (L)	29%	5,208
	Total votes: 23,664		

✓ Roberts (R) defeated Karl Wouters (L) in the general election.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
Candidates who did not respond to the Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey by this deadline could be added to the survey at a later date.
Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

Republican primary election

Republican primary for West Virginia State Senate District 9

Incumbent Mick Bates was not nominated to run in West Virginia State Senate District 9 in May 12, 2020.

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Robin Roberts	100%	4,597
	Mike Bates	0%	6,294
	Total votes: 10,891		

✓ Roberts (R) defeated Mike Bates in the primary election.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
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Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

House of Delegates
See also: *West Virginia House of Delegates elections, 2022*

Mick Bates did not file to run for re-election.

2020

See also: *West Virginia House of Delegates elections, 2020*

General election

General election for West Virginia House of Delegates District 30

Incumbent Mick Bates was nominated to run in West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 in November 3, 2020.

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Mick Bates (D)	100%	4,622
	Tyler Trump (R)	0%	3,086
	Total votes: 7,708		

✓ Bates (D) defeated Tyler Trump (R) in the general election.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
Candidates who did not respond to the Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey by this deadline could be added to the survey at a later date.
Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

Democratic primary

Democratic primary for West Virginia House of Delegates District 30

Incumbent Mick Bates was nominated to run in West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 in June 9, 2020.

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Mick Bates	100%	2,594
	Total votes: 2,594		

✓ Bates (D) defeated Tyler Trump in the primary election.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
Candidates who did not respond to the Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey by this deadline could be added to the survey at a later date.
Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

Republican primary

Republican primary for West Virginia House of Delegates District 30

Incumbent Mick Bates was not nominated to run in West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 in June 9, 2020.

	Candidate	Votes
✓	Tyler Trump	1,759
	Total votes: 1,759	

✓ Trump was the only candidate in this race. The results have been certified.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
Candidates who did not respond to the Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey by this deadline could be added to the survey at a later date.
Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

2018

See also: *West Virginia House of Delegates elections, 2018*

General election

General election for West Virginia House of Delegates District 30

Incumbent Mick Bates was nominated to run in West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 in June 5, 2018.

	Candidate	%	Votes
✓	Mick Bates (D)	100%	4,827
	Total votes: 4,827		

✓ Bates (D) defeated Jackie Lynn Bailey in the general election.
Candidates competed for Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey.
Candidates who did not respond to the Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey by this deadline could be added to the survey at a later date.
Bettencourt Candidate Connection survey

Democratic primary

Democratic primary for West Virginia House of Delegates District 30

Incumbent Mick Bates was nominated to run in West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 in June 5, 2018.

	Candidate
✓	Mick Bates

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2016

See also: *West Virginia House of Delegates elections, 2016*

Elections for the West Virginia House of Delegates took place in 2016. A primary election took place on May 10, 2016, and the general election took place on November 8, 2016. The deadline for candidates to file to run was March 29, 2016.

Incumbent Mick Bates defeated Todd Kelly in the West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 general election.[4][5]

West Virginia House of Delegates District 30, General Election, 2016

PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTES	%
Democratic	✓**Mick Bates**	5,174	100%
Republican	Write-In	0	0%
	Total Votes	**5,174**	

Source: West Virginia Secretary of State

Incumbent Mick Bates was unopposed in the West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 Democratic primary.[6][7]

Todd Kelly was unopposed in the West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 Republican primary.[8][9]

2014

See also: *West Virginia House of Delegates elections, 2014*

Elections for the West Virginia House of Delegates took place in 2014. A primary election took place on May 13, 2014, and the general election took place on November 4, 2014. The deadline for candidates wishing to run in the primary was March 28, 2014. Mick Bates defeated Jackie Lynn Bailey in the Democratic primary. Incumbent Linda Sumner was unopposed in the Republican primary. Bates defeated Sumner in the general election.

West Virginia House of Delegates District 30, General Election, 2014

PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTES	VOTES
Democratic	✓**Mick Bates**	51%	2,662
Republican	Linda Sumner **Incumbent**	49%	2,561
Total Votes			**5,223**

West Virginia House of Delegates, District 30 Democratic Primary, 2014
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Campaign donors

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Mick Bates campaign contribution history

Year	Office	Result	Contributions
2018	West Virginia House of Delegates District 30	Lost primary	$2,000
2014	West Virginia House of Delegates District 30	Lost primary	$10,005
2016	West Virginia House of Delegates District 30	Won general	$17,979
	Grand total raised		**$29,135**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

2018

West Virginia House of Delegates District 30 2018 election - Campaign Contributions
Top individual contributors to Mick Bates's campaign in 2018

CPA, WHITE	$1,000.00
BALL, JAMES E.	$1,000.00
BATES, MICK	$500.00
SHAFER, TIM	$500.00
WALL, MICHAEL	$500.00
Total Donations to Date	**$3,500.00**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

2016

Bates ran in election in the West Virginia House of Delegates in 2016. During that election cycle, Bates raised a total of $14,000.[10]

West Virginia House of Delegates 2016 election - campaign contributions Hide

Top contributors to Mick Bates's campaign in 2016	
Altria Client Services dba	$2,000
Unreachable	$1,400
American Physical Therapy Association	$1,000
West Virginia Building & Construction Trades Council	$1,000
West Virginia Association for Justice	$500
Total raised in 2016	**$14,000**

Source: Follow the Money ↗

2014

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West Virginia House of Delegates 2014 election - campaign contributions Show

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Campaign themes

2022

Ballotpedia survey responses
See also: *Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection*

Mick Bates did not complete Ballotpedia's 2020 Candidate Connection survey.

2020

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Scorecards

See also: *State legislative scorecards* and *State legislative scorecards in West Virginia*

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2022

In 2022, the West Virginia State Legislature was in session from January 12 to March 12.

- *West Virginia State Capitol*

Legislators are scored on their votes on environmental issues.

2021

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