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Pete Nielsen

Milton Nielsen (b. March 15, 1938) is a former Republican member of the Idaho House of Representatives, representing District 23B from 2002 to 2016.

Biography

Nielsen's professional experience includes working as an insurance agent and a farmer.

Committee assignments

2015 legislative session

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

Idaho committee assignments, 2015	[show]

2013-2014

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

Idaho committee assignments, 2013	[show]

2011-2012

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

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2009-2010

In the 2009-2010 legislative session, Nielsen served on the following committees:

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Issues

Presidential preference

2012

See also: *Endorsements by state officials of presidential candidates in the 2012 election*

Pete Nielsen endorsed Ron Paul in the 2012 presidential election.[1]

Elections

2016

See also: *Idaho House of Representatives elections, 2016*

Elections for the Idaho House of Representatives were held in 2016. The primary election took place on May 17, 2016, and the general election was held on November 8, 2016. The candidate filing deadline was March 11, 2016.

Megan C. Blankenau defeated Bill Chisholm and Christopher Jenkins in the Idaho House of Representatives District 23B general election.[2][3]

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B General Election, 2016		[hide]
Party	Candidate	Votes %	Votes
Republican	✓ **Megan C. Blankenau**	51.24%	10,883
Independent	Bill Chisholm	16.64%	2,335
Libertarian	Christopher Jenkins	6.13%	869
	Total Votes		**14,034**

Source: Idaho Secretary of State#

Megan C. Blankenau defeated incumbent Pete Nielsen and Justin M. Freeman in the Idaho House of Representatives District 23B Republican primary.[4][5]

Idaho House of Representatives District 23B, Republican Primary, 2016		[hide]
Party	Candidate	Votes %	Votes
Republican	✓ **Megan C. Blankenau**	71.24%	3,387
Republican	Pete Nielsen **Incumbent**	22.06%	1,052
Republican	Justin M. Freeman	6.70%	319
	Total Votes		**4,758**

Source: Idaho Secretary of State#

2014

See also: *Idaho House of Representatives elections, 2014*

Elections for the Idaho House of Representatives took place in 2014. A primary election took place on May 20, 2014. The general election was held on November 4, 2014. The candidate filing deadline for candidates wishing to run in this election was March 14, 2014. "Spike" R.L. Ericson was unopposed in the Democratic primary, while incumbent Pete Nielsen defeated Steven Millington in the Republican primary. Nielsen defeated Ericson and C.J. Nemeth (I) in the general election.[6][7][8]

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B, General Election, 2014		[Collapse]
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
Republican	✓ **Pete Nielsen** **Incumbent**	66.5%	6,252
Independent	"Spike" R.L. Ericson	21.9%	2,032
Total Votes			**9,288**

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B Republican Primary, 2014		[Collapse]
CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
✓ **Pete Nielsen** **Incumbent**	51%	2,048
Steven Millington	49%	1,965
Total Votes		**4,013**

2012

See also: *Idaho House of Representatives elections, 2012*

Nielsen won re-election in the 2012 election for Idaho House of Representatives. Due to redistricting, he ran in District 23B. He defeated Matthew Bundy and Steven Millington in the Republican primary and defeated Pam Chiarella (D) in the general election on November 6, 2012.[9][10][11]

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B, General Election, 2012		[Collapse]
PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
Republican	✓ **Pete Nielsen** **Incumbent**	66.5%	9,037
Democratic	Pam Chiarella	33.5%	4,556
Total Votes			**13,593**

Idaho House of Representatives District 23B Republican Primary, 2012		[Collapse]
CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
✓ **Pete Nielsen**	45.7%	2,225
Matthew Bundy	30.8%	1,498
Steven Millington	23.5%	1,144
Total Votes		**4,867**

2010

See also: *Idaho House of Representatives elections, 2010*

Nielsen won re-election to District Seat 23B in 2010 with no opposition. He ran unopposed in the Republican primary on May 25th. The general election took place on November 2, 2010.[12]

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B (2010)		
Candidates	Votes	Percent
✓ Pete Nielsen (R)	**6,550**	**100.0%**

2008

On November 4, 2008, Republican Milton Nielsen won re-election to the Idaho House of Representatives District 23B receiving 63.9% of the vote (7,350 votes), ahead of Democrat Rosemary Ardinger who received 36.1% of the vote (4,133 votes).[13]

Idaho House of Representatives, District 23B (2008)		
Candidates	Votes	Percent
✓ Milton Nielsen (R)	**7,350**	63.9%
Rosemary Ardinger (D)	4,133	36.1%

Campaign donors

The finance data shown here comes from the disclosures required of candidates and parties. *Depending on the election or state, this may not represent all the funds spent on their behalf. Satellite spending groups may or may not have expended funds related to the candidate or politician on whose page you are reading this disclaimer and campaign finance data from elections may be incomplete. For elections to federal offices, 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.*

Pete Nielsen campaign contribution history		[hide]
Year	Office	Result	Contributions
2014	Idaho House of Representatives, District 23 Position B	✓	$11,700
2012	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$11,552
2010	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$5,226
2008	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$7,867
2006	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$12,287
2004	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$8,665
2002	Idaho House, District 23B	✓	$3,840
1998	Idaho Senate, District 23	✗	$1,790
1996	Idaho Senate, District 23	✗	$1,410
Grand total raised			**$65,898**

Source: FEC Follow the Money

2014

Nielsen won re-election to the Idaho House of Representatives in 2014. During that election cycle, Nielsen raised a total of **$11,700**.

Idaho House of Representatives 2014 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2012

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Idaho House of Representatives 2012 election - campaign contributions	[show]

2010

In 2010, a year in which Nielsen was up for re-election, he collected $5,226 in donations.[15]

His largest contributors in 2010 were:

Idaho House of Representatives 2010 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2008

In 2008, Nielsen raised $9,467.

Listed below are those who contributed the most to his campaign:[16]

Donor	Amount
Freedom Fund	$1,000
Idaho Republican Party	$1,000

Scorecards

See also: *State legislative scorecards* and *State legislative scorecards in Idaho*

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 encyclopedia of legislative 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 Idaho scorecards, email suggestions to editor@ballotpedia.org.

2016

In 2016, the Idaho State Legislature was in session from January 11 through March 25.

- Idaho Freedom Foundation#

Legislators are scored on their votes on bills related to economic 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 conservative issues.

2015

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Idaho Freedom Index

The Idaho Freedom Foundation, a conservative nonprofit organization, released its "Idaho Freedom Index" in 2013. The index was designed to show how Idaho legislators voted on the principles the foundation seeks to promote. It measured each state legislator based on how they voted on economic issues and on bills that created or eliminated government agencies, programs, and regulations. A higher score indicated that the legislator voted more in favor of the values supported by the organization.[17] Nielsen received a score of 111 points in the 2013 index, ranking 7th out of 70 members of the Idaho House of Representatives that were evaluated for the study.

Personal

Note: Please contact us if the personal information below requires an update.
Nielsen and his wife, Connie, have eight children.

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Political offices	
Preceded by **Stephen Bayer (R)**	Idaho House of Representatives District 23B 2002-2016 — Succeeded by **Megan C. Blankenau (R)**
Preceded by	Idaho House of Representatives District 22B 2002-2002 — Succeeded by **Jason Monks (R)**

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