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Bill Sample

Bill Sample (Republican Party) was a member of the Arkansas State Senate. He represented District 24 in the Arkansas House in 2021. He left office on January 9, 2023.

Sample (Republican Party) ran for re-election to the Arkansas State Senate to represent District 8. He lost in the Republican primary on May 24, 2022.

Sample served in the Arkansas House of Representatives, representing the District 30 from 2019 to 2021.

Biography

Sample was born on April 26, 1946. His professional experience includes working as the Director of a nondenominational central counseling center and as Vice President and Regional Director for the Arkansas Pest Management Association.[1]

Committee assignments

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2021-2022

Sample was assigned to the following committees:

- Senate Agriculture, Forestry and Economic Development Committee
- Senate Education Committee, Chair
- Joint Budget Committee
- Legislative Council
- Public Retirement and Social Security Programs Committee

2019-2020

Sample was assigned to the following committees:

- Advanced Communications and Information Technology Committee
- Joint Budget Committee
- Legislative Facilities Committee
- Public Retirement and Social Security Programs Committee, Chair
- Senate Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development
- Senate State Agencies and Governmental Affairs Committee

2017 legislative session

At the beginning of the 2017 legislative session, Sample served on the following committees:

Arkansas committee assignments, 2017 [edit]
Revenue and Taxation
Advanced Communications, Technology and Legislative Affairs, Chair
Joint Budget
Public Retirement and Social Security Programs
Public Retirement and Social Security Programs

2015 legislative session

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

Arkansas committee assignments, 2015 [edit]
None

2013-2014

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

Arkansas committee assignments, 2013 [edit]
None

2011-2012

At the beginning of the 2011 legislative session, Sample served on these committees:

Arkansas committee assignments, 2011 [edit]
None

Sponsored legislation

The following table lists bills sponsored by this legislator. Bills are monitored by BallotPedia**SCOUT** and sorted by action type. Click "+" to the right of each bill to see the complete text of the bill, a description, the person who is the legislator's name in the title of the bills.

Bills Sponsored By: Bill Sample	
AB 1011 - To Reduce Arkansas Income Taxes; Ta... AN ACT TO REDUCE ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES; TO ALLOW FOR THE INDEX FUTURE REDUCTIONS IN ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES BASED ON ANNUAL DEPRECIATION AND EXPENSING OF PROPERTY; TO CREATE AN INFLATIONARY INDEX FOR TAX CREDIT PER CAPITA TONNAGE...	+
AB 1012 - Amendment 98 - AN ACT TO REDUCE ...	+
AB 1013 - To Reduce Arkansas Income Taxes ... AN ACT TO REDUCE ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES; TO ALLOW FOR FUTURE REDUCTIONS IN ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES; TO ADJUST FUTURE ; AN ACT TO REDUCE ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES; TO ALLOW FOR FUTURE REDUCTIONS IN ARKANSAS INCOME TAXES BASED ON ANNUAL DEPRECIATION AND EXPENSING OF PROPERTY; TO CREATE AN INFLATIONARY INDEX FOR TAX CREDIT PER CAPITA TONNAGE...	+

Elections

2022

See also: Arkansas State Senate elections, 2022

General election for Arkansas State Senate District 8

Matt McKee defeated Cortney McKee in the General election for Arkansas State Senate District 8.

Candidate	Votes	Notes
✓ Matt McKee (R)	14,202	
Cortney McKee (D)	8,997	

Source: Arkansas Secretary of State Election Results

Incumbent is bold and underlined. Winner is marked with a ✓.

Democratic primary election

The Democratic primary election was canceled. Cortney McKee advanced from the Democratic primary for Arkansas State Senate District 8.

Republican primary election

Republican primary for Arkansas State Senate District 8

Matt McKee defeated Bill Sample in the Republican primary for Arkansas State Senate District 8.

Candidate	Votes	Notes
✓ Matt McKee	5,813	
✓ **Bill Sample**	5,297	

Source: Arkansas Secretary of State Election Results

Incumbent is bold and underlined. Winner is marked with a ✓.

2018

See also: Arkansas State Senate elections, 2018

General election

General election for Arkansas State Senate District 24

Bill Sample defeated Michael Colgrove in the general election for Arkansas State Senate District 24 on May 22, 2018.

Candidate	Votes
✓ **Bill Sample** (R)	21,763
Michael Colgrove (D)	9,536

Source: Arkansas Secretary of State Election Results

Incumbent is bold and underlined. Winner is marked with a ✓.

Democratic primary

Democratic primary for Arkansas State Senate District 24

Michael Colgrove ran unopposed in the Democratic primary for Arkansas State Senate District 24 on May 22, 2018.

Candidate
Michael Colgrove

Source: Arkansas Secretary of State Election Results

Incumbent is bold and underlined. The results have been certified.

Candidate in bold and underlined is the winner of the primary election.

Republican primary

Republican primary for Arkansas State Senate District 24

Bill Sample ran unopposed in the Republican primary for Arkansas State Senate District 24 on May 22, 2018.

Candidate
✓ **Bill Sample**

Source: Arkansas Secretary of State Election Results

Incumbent is bold and underlined. The results have been certified.

Candidate in bold and underlined is the winner of the primary election.

2014

See also: Arkansas State Senate elections, 2014

Elections for the Arkansas State Senate were held in 2014. A primary election took place on May 20, 2014, a runoff 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 March 3, 2014. Incumbent Bill Sample defeated Jerry Neal in the Republican primary and defeated George Pritchett in the general election.[2][3][4]

Arkansas State Senate, District 24 General Election (2014)		
Candidate	**Votes**	**%**
✓ **Bill Sample (R)**	**14,875**	
Steve Shelby (D)	10,950	

2010

Sample was ineligible to run for re-election in 2010 due to the term limits of the Arkansas House of Representatives. He ran for the Arkansas State Senate in 2010 but lost to Jim Wood in the Arkansas State Senate. He defeated Donna Shelby in the November 2 general election.[5]

Arkansas State Senate, District 19 General Election (2010)		
Candidate	**Votes**	**%**
✓ **Bill Sample (R)**	**14,875**	
Steve Shelby (D)	10,950	

Campaign themes

2022

Ballotpedia survey responses

See also: Ballotpedia's Candidate Connection

Bill Sample did not complete Ballotpedia's 2022 Candidate Connection survey.

Campaign donors

Note: This finance data shown here comes from the disclosures required of candidates and parties. Depending on the jurisdiction, it may include only monetary contributions or it may include in-kind donations. The dollar amounts may or may not have expended funds related to the candidate or politician on whose page we are reading this. *Disclaimer: Campaign finance data from elections may be incomplete. For elections to federal offices, complete data is available as of the FEC website.* Click here for more or federal campaign finance law and here for more or state campaign finance law.

BB Sample campaign contribution totals	
2018 Arkansas State Senate District 24	$21,763.00
2014 Arkansas State Senate, District 24	$75,750.0
2010 Arkansas State Senate, District 19	$14,875.00
2008 Arkansas State Senate, District 30	$14,000.00
2006 Arkansas State Senate, District 30	$23,500
2004 Arkansas State Senate, District 30	$14,000.00
2002 Arkansas State Senate, District 30	$14,000.00
Grand total raised	**$163,265**

Source: Follow the Money

2018 Arkansas State Senate District 24 2020 election - Campaign Contributions	
Top individual contributors to Bill Sample's campaign	
BILL CRAIG	$1,000.00
ROBERT L. ALLEN	$1,000.00
JOHN E. MOORE	$1,000.00
STEPHEN L. BARNES III, MD	$1,000.00
STEPHEN A. BETTS	$1,000.00
Total Receipts in 2018	**$21,763.00**

Source: Follow the Money

2014

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas State Senate District 24 in the 2014 general election. Sample raised a total of $175,343.

Arkansas State Senate 2014 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2012

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas State Senate in 2012. During that election cycle, Sample raised a total of $[illegible].

Arkansas State Senate 2012 election - campaign contributions	[show]

2010

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas State Senate in 2010. During that election cycle, Sample raised a total of $[illegible].

Arkansas State Senate 2010 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2008

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives in 2008. During that election cycle, Sample raised a total of $[illegible].

Arkansas House of Representatives 2008 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2006

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives in 2006. During that election cycle, Sample raised a total of $[illegible].

Arkansas House of Representatives 2006 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

2004

Sample was re-elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives in 2004. During that election cycle, Sample raised a total of $[illegible].

Arkansas House of Representatives 2004 election - Campaign Contributions	[show]

Scorecards

See also: State legislative scorecards and State legislature scorecards in Arkansas

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 terms. For example, a scorecard may only evaluate a legislator's voting record on one issue within a state. Another scorecard is personal may evaluate the voting record of the entirety.

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Personal

Note: Please contact us if the personal information below requires an update. Sample and his wife, Betty, have three kids.

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Footnotes

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