

Senate District D Senator

Stephen Wright, Republican Nominee



OTHER:

I was born in Anchorage while my dad stationed at Elmendorf AFB during the Vietnam War. The majority of my youth was in Ephrata, Washington till I graduated from high school. I lived in Alabama for two years then attended Ricks College in Idaho for 4 months. Soon after I joined the Air Force.

In 1992, I married my wife, Jessica, and we lived in Colorado, North Dakota, Missouri, Texas, New Mexico & Alaska states. In 2009, I was able to move my family to Alaska and deployed to Iraq for a year. Then I returned to Elmendorf working as a Resource Advisor. In 2014, I retired from Air Force and resumed my civilian life. In 2014-2015 I taught the school in Hyder, Alaska. In 2015, I returned back to Wasilla.

STATEMENT:

I'm a Conservative; Pro-Life, Pro-2nd Amendment, and Pro-Economy.

The reason why I'm running for State Senate in District D is that I'm concerned with what's happening in our state and I hope to change it. I believe our private economy has been throttled since Governor Walker vetoed our dividends in 2016 and Alaska Legislature capped our PFD in 2017-2020. Our state should abide the PFD law written in the state statute to follow Hammond's 50/50 formula and 5 year average that was originally set up for dividends to distribute: the people and the government shall have a 50/50 split; now our government is overreaching for our dividends to change the formula which must remain earnings-based. I

plan to restore and protect the PFD. According to my calculation, the state owes PFD \$8867 per person.

Another concern for me is the bloated budget that our current state legislature is operating. I believe it will jeopardize our state's future by a big bloated budget which is not sustainable overburdening us. Growing government will suppress our private sector which is now happening since the PFD theft and Covid-19 pandemic. I would like to balance the budget and put our state on the right track. I want to develop our natural resources to bring back prosperity. I also want to see the completion of KGB project, connecting the Knick Arm bridge and rail extension.

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