

December 15, 2022

Election 2022

The Illinois State Board of Elections finalized the 2022 General Election last week. A few races were dragged out as mail-in ballots did make a difference in the outcome (ballots had to be postmarked by Tuesday, November 8, 2022, in order to be counted).

This was also a redistricting year which resulted in changes of the voting populace for mostly the northern Illinois districts. Central and southern Illinois stays fairly constant except for the newly drawn 13th Congressional district. The new boundaries begin in Urbana, heads west towards Monticello, parts of Decatur, Springfield, then goes south towards Carlinville, on to Edwardsville and ends in Belleville while going almost to Okawville. The congressional representation has now changed from Republican to Democrat. As a reminder, Illinois lost a Congressional seat due to a reduction in population based on the 2020 Census.

Moving from the top down:

Illinois representation in the US Senate will continue to be Democrats Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth.

US House District will be:

- District 1 – Jonathan Jackson (D)
- District 2 – Robin Kelly (D) - Incumbent
- District 3 – Delia Ramirez (D) – open seat - came from Illinois House District 4.
- District 4 – Chuy Garcia (D) – Incumbent
- District 5 – Mike Quigley (D) – Incumbent
- District 6 – Sean Casten (D) – Incumbent
- District 7 – Danny Davis (D) – Incumbent
- District 8 – Raja Krishnamoorthi (D) – Incumbent
- District 9 – Janice Schakowsky (D) – Incumbent
- District 10 – Brad Schneider (D) – Incumbent
- District 11 – Bill Foster (D) – Incumbent
- District 12 – Mike Bost (R) – Incumbent
- District 13 – Nikki Budzinski – (D) – Open seat
- District 14 – Lauren Underwood – (D) – Incumbent
- District 15 – Mary Miller (R) – Incumbent
- District 16 – Darin LaHood (R) – Incumbent
- District 17 – Eric Sorensen (D) – Open seat

US House = 14 Democrats <u>3</u> Republicans 17 Total
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Incumbents not running for re-election: Bobby Rush (D), retiring; Marie Newman (D) – one term Incumbent lost to Sean Casten (D) – Incumbent, in the Primary Election; Rodney Davis (R) – Incumbent defeated in Primary Election by Mary Miller (R) - Incumbent; Adam Kinzinger (R) new district lines meant that he would have to run against Darin LaHood; and, Cheri Bustos (D), retiring.

SUAAction does not contribute to the Congressional elections, but the information is still important as we look

at the future to overturn the Windfall Elimination and Pension Offset provisions (currently H.R. 82). Illinois Congressional Representative Rodney Davis was the primary sponsor of this bill known as the Social Security Fairness Act of 2021. He has been defeated.

CBO's (Congressional Budget Office) estimate of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go effects of H.R. 82, the Social Security Fairness Act of 2021, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Ways and Means on September 20, 2022, shows that enacting the bill would increase off-budget spending for Social Security by almost \$185 billion over the 2023-2032 period. Because that spending is classified as off-budget, those effects are not counted for pay-as-you go purposes. For more information: [CRPT-117hrpt482.pdf \(congress.gov\)](#)

The 117th Congress will conclude on January 3, 2023. Look for the Social Security Fairness Act to be reintroduced in 2023. Hopefully, Illinois will take the lead again.

Switching to Illinois State Races and Information

Final Session Days for the 102nd General Assembly is scheduled for January 4, 5, 6, and 7. This is called the Lam Duck Session. Note that the 7th is a Saturday. Unfinished business will be to try to ban the sale of assault weapons. A simple majority in both the House and Senate will be able to pass this legislation.

The Executive Branch Inauguration will be held on January 9th. The 103rd General Assembly Inauguration will be on the 11th with a regular session day on the 12th.

New faces will be welcomed to the Capitol. Not just legislators, but also legislative staff.

If you have a new legislator in your district, please be sure to reach out – build a relationship. Find your legislators here: [Find My Elected Officials \(il.gov\)](#) **The new districts and elected officials for 2023 have not been updated yet. Save this link for January of 2023.**

Where have the familiar faces gone?

HOUSE

Incumbents defeated in the Primary Election were Representatives Denyse Wang Stoneback (D) District 16; Michael Zalewski (D) District 21; David Welter (R) District 75; Kathleen Willis (D) District 77; and, Mark Luft (R) District 93.

Incumbents defeated in the General Election were: Deanne Mazzochi (R) District 45; Chris Bos (R) District 51; Keith Wheeler (R) District 83; and, LaToya Greenwood (D) District 114.

Incumbents on the move: Delia Ramirez (D) District 4 elected to new Congressional District 3; Greg Harris (D) District 13, retired; Seth Lewis (R) District 45 elected to new Senate District 24; Deborah Conroy (D) District 46 elected as DuPage County Board Chair; Tom Morrison (R) District 54, retired; Sam Yingling (D) District 62 ran unsuccessfully in Primary for new Senate District 62 – lost to Mary Edly-Allen; Michael Halpin (D) District 72 elected to new Senate District 36; Keith Sommer (R) District 88, retired; Andrew Chesney (R) District 89 elected to new Senate District 45; Tom Demmer (R) District 90 ran unsuccessfully for State Treasurer; Avery Bourne (R) District 95 ran unsuccessfully for Lt. Governor; Mark Batinick (D) District 97, retired; Sandy Hamilton (R) District 99 ran unsuccessfully for new Senate District 48; and, Dan Brady (R) District 105 ran unsuccessfully for Secretary of State.

SENATE

There was only one incumbent defeated in the Primary Election – Eric Mattson (D) District 43. And, only one incumbent lost in the General Election – Kris Tharp (D) District 56.

Incumbents on the move: Antonio Munoz (D) District 1, retired; Steven Landek (D) District 12, retired; Jacqueline Collins (D) District 16 made an unsuccessful run for Congressional Representative Bobby Rush's seat; Diane Pappas (D) District 23, retired; Melinda Bush (D) District 31, retired; Brian Stewart (R) District 45, retired; Darren Bailey (R) District 55 ran unsuccessfully for Governor; and, Rachele Aud Crowe (D) District 56 is now serving as the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois.

In addition, Senator Jason Barickman has announced his resignation from the Senate (R) new District 53. Representative Tim Butler has also resigned since the general election to become the Illinois Railroad Association's executive director beginning January 2023.

Who is Counting? Legislative Division for the 103rd General Assembly

Senate Democrats	41	House Democrats	73
Senate Republicans	<u>18</u>	House Republicans	<u>45</u>
Total	59	Total	118

New faces in the House of Representatives:

Lilian Jimenez (D) District 4
Hoan Huynh (D) District 13
Kevin Olickal (D) District 16
Abdelnasser Rashid (D) District 21
Jenn Ladisch Douglass (D) District 45
Diane Blair-Sherlock (D) District 46
Jennifer Sanalidro (R) District 48
Nabeela Syed (D) District 51
Mary Beth Canty (D) District 54
Laura Dias (D) District 62
Gregg Johnson (D) District 72
Brad Fritts (R) District 74
Norma Hernandez (D) District 77
Matt Hanson (D) District 83
John M. Cabello (R) District 90 (returning legislator)
Sharon Chung (D) District 91
Travis Weaver (R) District 93
Harry Benton (D) District 97
Dennis Tipword Jr. (R) District 105
Wayne Arthur Rosenthal (R) District 108 (returning legislator)
Kevin Schmidt (R) District 114

Watch for fundraisers – townhall meetings – other gatherings in your districts!

New faces in the Senate:

Javier Loera Cervantes (D) District 1

Mike Porfirio (D) District 11

Willie Preston (D) District 16

Seth Lewis (R) District 24 (previously a representative)

Mary Edly-Allen (D) District 31 (returning legislator)

Michael Halpin (D) District 36 (previously a representative)

Rachel Ventura (D) District 43

Andrew Chesney (R) District 45 (previously a representative)

Erica Harriss (R) District 56



The State Universities Annuitants Association and SUAAction
mourns the sudden death of
Senator Scott Bennett
52nd District

How fortunate the State was to have him as a legislator.
Senator Bennett chaired the Higher Education Committee.
He was the Sub-chair for the Higher Education Appropriations
Committee among many others.
Senator Bennett will be truly missed by all of us.

Senator Scott Bennett Obituary

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Senator Scott Bennett of Champaign, Illinois, who passed away on December 9, 2022, at the age of 45, leaving to mourn family and friends. Family and friends are welcome to leave their condolences on this [memorial page](#) and share them with the family.

He was predeceased by: his grandparents, Charlene Bennett, Marge Barry and Lee Barry; his uncle Dennis Barry; his cousin Crystal Barry; and his mother-in-law Mardelle Meredith.

He is survived by: his parents, Dr. Robert and Barbara Bennett; his children, Scott and Stacy; his brother Rob Bennett; his sister-in-law Mabruka Yazidi; his niece Naima Yazidi-Bennett; his aunts and uncles, Tom, Doug Bennett, Carol Bennett-Barker, Wanda Driscoll and Carol Sanecki; his father-in-law Bill Meredith; and his pet Betty White. He is also survived by his wife and children, parents.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, December 19th, 2022, at 10:00 AM at the Krannert Center (500 S Goodwin Ave, Urbana, IL 61801).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Scott's memory to CU Able or the Champaign Urbana Autism Network, causes Scott had planned to focus on in the upcoming legislative session.