

Position Sought: Senate District A Senator

Name and Political Affiliation: Bert K. Stedman, Registered Republican

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Biographical Information

Age: 70

Place of Birth: Elmendorf AFB, Anchorage

Spouse's Name: Lureen

Child's Name: Susan

Occupation: Retired Self-Employed: Financial Services, 30 years. Former Commercial Fisherman and Heavy Construction.

Length of Residency in Alaska: Lifelong

Alaskan Communities Lived in:
Anchorage 1956-57, Petersburg 1957-69, Sitka 1969-Present

Education:
Sitka High School (1974); University of Oregon, B.S. Business Administration and Finance (1985).

Political and Government Positions:

Current:
Alaska State Senate: 2003-Present; Co-Chairman Finance; Member, Legislative Council, Legislative Budget & Audit, Energy Council Executive Committee, National Petroleum Council

Past:
Co-Chairman, Finance Committee, 14 years; Chairman, Legislative Budget & Audit Committee; Chairman Energy Council, Member National Petroleum Council; Finance Subcommittees for Revenue, Transportation, Law; Resources Committee; Legislative Council; Vice-Chairman, Resources Committee; Vice-Chairman, Joint Education Funding Task Force; Chairman, Community & Regional Affairs; State Affairs; Special Committee on Natural Gas Development; Joint Salmon Industry Task Force.

Local:
Sitka City & Borough: Deputy Mayor, Assembly Member, Planning Commission.

Business and Professional Positions:
Members of Ketchikan, Sitka, Petersburg, Wrangell, Prince of Wales and State Chamber of Commerce.

Service Organization(s) Membership:
NRA; Elks Lodge; Masonic Lodge; Shrine Club; Sons of Norway.

Special Interests:
Woodworking, hunting, fishing, boating, and camping.

Position Statement

It's been my honor and privilege to serve as your Senator for the past 23 years. I'm running for re-election to continue working for the people of Southeast Alaska to increase economic opportunity, reduce the costs of energy, promote fiscal discipline, and work for public accountability in government.

Continuing to move the economy forward while creating livable wage job opportunities for our families is of utmost importance. Let us continue to improve the infrastructure, economy, and quality of life in our communities. We need to reverse the decline of our school enrollment and fund our schools to an adequate level so as not to disadvantage our youth. Together we've expanded Alaska's resource-based economy, continued to level the playing field for rural school funding, improved vocational-education, and invested in public safety infrastructure, housing and health care.

We must work on solving the structural budget deficit while leaving the Permanent Fund intact for future generations of Alaskans. Leaving the future generations with depleted oil basins and a liquidated Permanent Fund is unconscionable. Let's leave Alaska in better economic shape than when we received it from past generations.

My great-grandparents moved to Southeast Alaska in 1902. I have a deep respect for our state and its future. Let's work together to make Alaska prosperous for the next generation. I humbly ask for your vote this November, and hope to work with you to build a better future for Alaska.

Current Photo



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