

Steve Smith

Political Experience

Arizona State Senator *(November 2014-January 2019; November 2010-January 2012)*

- Served as the Chairman of the powerful Senate Commerce & Public Safety Committee and member of the Education and Appropriations Committees.
- Helped lead several of the most productive and important legislative sessions in Arizona history by spearheading crucial legislation including; 'The Jobs Bill', pension reform, correcting the state's \$1B+ budget deficit, and championing private property and water rights. Efforts resulted in Arizona moving from nearly last in the nation in job growth to being a top 5 state, #1 in the nation in start-up businesses, and a \$450 million surplus.
- Strong working relationship with the Governor, Legislative members of both parties, and County, City, and Tribal leaders.

Arizona House of Representatives Member *(January 2012-November 2014)*

- Served as Vice-Chairman of the Federalism & Fiscal Responsibility Committee and member of the Banking and Financial Institutions, and the Reform and Human Services Committees.
- Integral in helping to balance the state budget and implementing landmark economic reforms.
- Overwhelmingly elected in a very politically diverse district with rural and urban needs.

Awards

- Named 'Legislator of the Year' by many organizations including the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame, the Arizona Police Association, the Arizona Association of Providers for People with Disabilities and received a Commendation from the United States Department of Defense
- Honorary Captain in the Arizona Civil Air Patrol
- Elected Precinct Committeeman in Pinal County

Professional Experience and Education

- Currently the State Director for the nation's largest School Choice advocacy organization helping parents find the best education options for their children
- Graduated from Michigan State university with Honors with a BA Degree in Marketing