

NEW HAMPSHIRE SENATE CANDIDATE COMPARISON

A Nonpartisan Guide for Voters in the 2022 Midterm Election



Catholic Social Justice teaches that we have a responsibility to participate in politics out of concern for and commitment to the common good.

We are called to vote, inform ourselves about the issues of the day, and engage in serious conversations about our nation's future.

Here is where the New Hampshire Senate candidates stand on the issues.

We invite you to consider this information prayerfully.



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Democrat

Incumbent

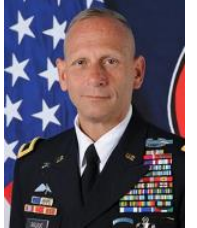
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Donald Bolduc

Republican

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Yes. Congratulated Biden after the final 2020 results were announced.	Elections <i>Did Joe Biden legitimately win the 2020 Presidential election?</i>	Mostly no. In Aug 2022: "I signed a letter... saying Donald Trump won the election and damn it I stand by my oath." In Sept 2022: "I have come to the conclusion... the election was not stolen"—but still alleges fraud.
Increase. Wrote parts of American Rescue Plan to support small businesses. Voted for research and development tax credits. Supported \$25 million for low-income home energy.	Economy <i>Decrease or increase government investment and regulation of the economy?</i>	Decrease. "We must reverse the growth of federal spending to reduce inflation. No more bailouts, no more government handouts, no more spending packages without corresponding cuts."
No. Voted for a bill that would expand voting access with automatic and same-day registration, along with early voting and mail-in voting. It would also limit removing voters from rolls.	Voting Rights <i>Support tightened restrictions on such voting rules as absentee and early voting, and voter ID?</i>	Yes. "This state has some election integrity issues." Supports stricter voter ID laws, tightened voting rules for college students, elimination of same-day registration, and more restrictions on mail-in voting.
Yes. "We must... address the existential threat posed by climate change and transition to a clean energy economy." Wrote parts of a bill to combat climate change, provide incentives for clean energy and lower carbon emissions.	Climate Change <i>Should climate change be a top priority? Tax or limit output of greenhouse gases, or support renewable energy?</i>	No. Says climate change "is not a priority" and opposes the Inflation Reduction Act, which included \$369 billion in renewable energy incentives. Says other countries should do their part to reduce pollution.
More. Supports universal background checks and enacting red-flag laws that temporarily remove guns from people deemed a threat. Supports banning high-capacity magazines.	Gun Laws <i>Pass less or more restrictive legislation on guns?</i>	Less. Won't "let anybody do anything to the Second Amendment." Opposes "any more regulation," such as red-flag laws.
Yes. Voted for Inflation Reduction Act, which lowers Medicare prescription drug prices and health insurance premiums. In 2021 supported mandating large companies' employees to "have regular COVID tests or get vaccinated."	Health Care <i>Increase government role in health care, such as expanding Medicaid, limiting drug prices, or promoting COVID safety?</i>	No. Supports a private market approach. In Aug 2022 opposed the Inflation Reduction Act authorizing Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices. In August 2022 supported privatizing Medicare—but later reversed that. Opposed COVID mask mandates.
Supported more agents at border to stop fentanyl trafficking. Criticized a plan to end a pandemic policy that allows US to turn away migrants at the southern border. Supports a path to citizenship for DACA participants.	Immigration <i>How to handle immigration? Support a path to citizenship for "DACA" participants brought to the US as children?</i>	Supports expanded border wall between the U.S. and Mexico. "We must secure America's borders and reduce crime. No excuses. No compromises." Opposes a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants.
More. Voted against the 2017 tax cuts. In 2022 voted for the Inflation Reduction Act, which established a minimum corporate tax rate.	Taxes <i>Should corporations and wealthier individuals pay less or more taxes?</i>	Less. Supports cutting federal taxes overall, and that includes renewing the 2017 tax cuts, which, among other items, decreased taxes on wealthy individuals.
Legal. "I will fight and never back down." "We have to hold the line against any efforts to enact a nationwide abortion ban." Cosponsored Women's Health Protection Act, which would codify abortion rights.	Abortion <i>Ban or legal?</i>	Mostly ban. Supports overturn of Roe v. Wade. "Why don't we just rejoice?" Before Sept 2022 supported protecting "lives from beginning to end." Then opposed a federal ban, saying states should decide.

"We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life."

- Pope Francis, General Audience, June 3, 2020

