

## PENNSYLVANIA 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.

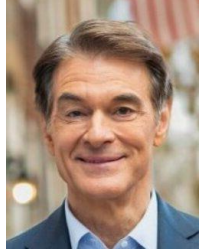
Here is where the Pennsylvania Senate candidates stand on the issues.

**We invite you to consider this information prayerfully.**



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**Democrat**  
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**Election Day**  
**November 8, 2022**



**Mehmet Oz**  
**Republican**  
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Yes. Calls <a href="#">the claim that the election "was rigged for Biden" a lie</a> . No evidence of widespread voter fraud in PA.	<b>Elections</b> <i>Did Joe Biden legitimately win the 2020 Presidential election?</i>	No. Absentee ballots and lack of voter ID led to <a href="#">cheating in the 2020 election</a> . "We have got to understand the different ways where cheating occurs." No specific comment found on Biden.
Increase. <a href="#">Supports Biden's \$3.5 trillion spending package</a> . <a href="#">Supports Governor Wolf's Restore PA Project to invest \$4.5 billion in high-impact infrastructure projects</a> .	<b>Economy</b> <i>Decrease or increase government investment and regulation of the economy?</i>	Decrease. Says Biden's spending is " <a href="#">reckless</a> " and " <a href="#">has led to inflation</a> ." Says "the Joe Biden and John Fetterman agenda of massive spending" has caused " <a href="#">one of the greatest labor shortages in American history</a> ."
No. Calls for removal of " <a href="#">restrictions that marginalize voters</a> ." Calls <a href="#">universal voter ID "insidious and unnecessary"</a> . Would vote for a bill guaranteeing " <a href="#">everyone has the right to vote</a> ."	<b>Voting Rights</b> <i>Support tightened restrictions on such voting rules as absentee and early voting, and voter ID?</i>	Yes. Would " <a href="#">pass a voter ID law</a> " to ensure " <a href="#">safe and secure elections</a> ."
Mostly yes. Says " <a href="#">climate is critical</a> ." Wants <a href="#">green and renewable energy</a> and a carbon cap. Is <a href="#">refusing donations</a> from fossil fuel industries. <a href="#">Opposes a fracking ban</a> that would eliminate union jobs. In 2016 <a href="#">proposed a fracking moratorium until environmental regs tightened</a> .	<b>Climate Change</b> <i>Should climate change be a top priority? Tax or limit output of greenhouse gases, or support renewable energy?</i>	Mostly no. Supports <a href="#">American energy independence</a> by producing <a href="#">coal, oil, gas, and renewable energy</a> . Says the belief that "carbon is bad" is " <a href="#">a lie</a> ." Supports <a href="#">fracking</a> and natural gas production to lower both <a href="#">high energy prices</a> , and <a href="#">carbon emissions</a> .
More. Says " <a href="#">making guns safer doesn't restrict access to guns</a> ." Supports filibuster reform to pass " <a href="#">common sense gun laws</a> ." Supports <a href="#">universal background checks</a> .	<b>Gun Laws</b> <i>Pass less or more restrictive legislation on guns?</i>	Less. Opposes " <a href="#">red flag-laws and liberal gun grabs</a> ." " <a href="#">I will never back down from the fight to protect our Second Amendment Rights</a> ," which, he says, is " <a href="#">about protecting ourselves</a> ."
Yes. Supports <a href="#">lowering prescription drug prices</a> . Says healthcare is a " <a href="#">fundamental human right</a> ." Supports <a href="#">PA's Medicaid expansion</a> . As Lt. Governor, <a href="#">asked the public to wear a COVID mask as "just courtesy"</a> .	<b>Health Care</b> <i>Increase government role in health care, such as expanding Medicaid, limiting drug prices, or promoting COVID safety?</i>	Mostly no. <a href="#">Would "dismantle policies" leading to costly prescription drugs, and boost access to "private sector plans expanded by Trump"</a> . <a href="#">Proposed universal care through competing private plans</a> funded by a "20% payroll tax." Opposes <a href="#">COVID business and school shutdowns</a> .
Says " <a href="#">Immigration is what makes America, America</a> ." Supports <a href="#">ending pandemic-era border restrictions</a> , but only with a " <a href="#">detailed plan in place</a> ." Calls for <a href="#">fixing "our broken immigration system as a whole"</a> . Wants <a href="#">DACA permanent</a> .	<b>Immigration</b> <i>How to handle immigration? Support a path to citizenship for "DACA" participants brought to the US as children?</i>	Says " <a href="#">will fight to end illegal immigration</a> " and supports <a href="#">a physical or a virtual wall</a> . In 2019, <a href="#">celebrated meeting a group of DACA Dreamers</a> , and in 2018, said " <a href="#">I get all the politics, but we don't want to penalize the dreamers for that</a> ."
More. Criticized senators who supported raising the <a href="#">corporate tax rate from 21% to only 25%, when it had been 31% before the 2017 tax cuts</a> . Says " <a href="#">we need a wealth tax</a> ," and believes millionaires should pay <a href="#">at least 30%</a> of their income in taxes.	<b>Taxes</b> <i>Should corporations and wealthier individuals pay less or more taxes?</i>	No position found.
Legal. Says " <a href="#">safeguarding access to abortion</a> " is a " <a href="#">no-brainer</a> ." " <a href="#">People should have control over their own bodies and their own lives. Period</a> ." Get rid of the filibuster to " <a href="#">finally codify Roe into law</a> ."	<b>Abortion</b> <i>Ban or legal?</i>	Ban. " <a href="#">I believe life starts at conception</a> ." Will support " <a href="#">pro-life legislation that saves innocent lives</a> ." However, in 2019 said he personally opposed abortion but was concerned with bans because as a medical student he " <a href="#">saw women who had coat-hanger events</a> " and " <a href="#">were harmed for life</a> ."

**"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

