

**Suzanne Crouch - Lieutenant Governor**



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**Party**

*Republican*

**Background**

*Served House District 78 (Parts of Vanderburgh and Warrick counties) from 2005-2014. Prior to becoming Lt. Governor, she served as the state auditor from 2014-2016. Her interests while in office have been largely centered around creating programs and opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.*

**Legislative Duties**

*As the second ranking member in the State of the Indiana, Lt. Governor Crouch acts as President of the Senate and oversees the daily floor actions during the legislative session. In addition, her office is responsible for the following departments and programs: Dept. of Agriculture, Housing & Community Development Authority, Office of Defense Development, Office of Community & Rural Affairs, Dept. of Tourism. Crouch also serves as Chair of the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Task Force.*

**Representative Brian Bosma - *Speaker of the House of Representatives***



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**Party**

*Republican*

**Background**

*Served in the Indiana House of Representatives from 1986-Present (Speaker from 2004-2006, 2010-Present). An attorney by trade, Speaker Bosma is a strong advocate for school choice and personally championed Indiana's strong charter school system and the most comprehensive school choice program in the nation.*

**Legislative Duties**

*As Speaker of the House, Rep. Bosma is the highest ranking member of the chamber and oversees all floor activity during the legislative session. Bosma ultimately decides which bills will or will not be heard on the House floor and appoints each committee chair on the House side.*

## **Senator Rod Bray - President Pro Tempore**



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### **Party**

*Republican*

### **Background**

*Served in the Indiana Senate from 2012-Present and is the current President Pro Tempore. Sen. Bray is an attorney from Martinsville and presides over the Rules and Legislative Procedure Committee as its Chair.*

### **Legislative Duties**

*As President Pro Tempore, Sen. Bray is the second ranking member in the Senate and will oversee all floor activity when Lt. Governor Crouch is absent. Bray oversees much of the day-to-day business in the Senate and is charged with appointing all committee chairs in his chamber.*

**Representative Tim Brown - Co-Chair House Ways & Means Committee**



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**Party**

*Republican*

**Background**

*Dr. Tim Brown is a retired physician and has been in the Indiana House since 1994. He is currently the chair of the House Ways and Means Committee. Formerly a member of the Education Committee, Brown has a wide array of experience from his 25 years in the Legislature.*

**Legislative Duties**

*Rep. Brown Co-Chairs the W&M Committee with Rep. Todd Huston and is in charge of all budget crafting activity in the House. Brown works collaboratively with House fiscal staff members and fellow committee members to determine which line items will receive funding in the biennial budget.*

**Representative Todd Huston - Co-Chair Ways & Means Committee**



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**Party**

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**Background**

*Rep. Huston has been a member of the House since being elected in 2012. Huston Co-Chairs the House Ways & Means Committee alongside Dr. Tim Brown. Prior to being elected, Huston served on the Hamilton Southeastern School Board as well as the Chairman of the Indiana Charter School Board, the governing body that directs and authorizes the process for sponsoring charter schools around the state.*

**Legislative Duties**

*Much like Rep. Brown, Rep. Huston oversees all budget talks in the House and plays a vital role in the negotiations throughout the legislative session. Huston/Brown have final say on what does or does not make it into the final House version of the budget.*

**Senator Ryan Mishler** - *Chair, Appropriations Committee*



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**Party**

*Republican*

**Background**

*Member of the Senate since being elected in 2004. Outside of his legislative duties, Sen. Mishler serves as President of Mishler Funeral Homes and Memorials & is also actively involved in the Kosciusko County and South Bend Regional Chambers of Commerce.*

**Legislative Duties**

*Like his counterparts in the House Ways & Means Committee, Sen. Mishler is the ranking member in the Senate's budget crafting committee and has final say as to what is included in his chamber's final budget.*

**Senator Jeff Raatz - Chair, Education Committee**



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**Background**

*Sen. Raatz has been a member of the Senate since 2014 and was appointed as Chair of the Senate Education Committee prior to the 2019 legislative session. Raatz's background in education began when he served as Principal of Richmond Christian Academy, a private school in his town of residence. In addition, Sen. Raatz holds a license as an insurance agent and owns Raatz LLC, a business-coaching and consulting company.*

**Legislative Duties**

*As Chairman of the Senate Education committee, Sen. Raatz presides over all committee meetings and decides which bills will receive hearings. Raatz also works with Appropriations members, providing guidance as it pertains to educational programs/grants and their presence in the chamber's budget.*

**Representative Bob Behning** - *Chair, Education Committee*



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**Party**

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**Background**

*Behning was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1992. During his time in the Indiana legislature, Chairman Behning has been a champion for education reform, more specifically allowing parents the choice of picking the school that best fits each child's specific needs. He's played an integral role in a number of reform bills passed over the last 20+ years.*

**Legislative Duties**

*Rep. Behning oversees all daily and committee action within the House Education Committee. Much like Sen. Raatz, Behning has final say on what bills will be heard in his committee and also works with budget crafting legislators on all educational component's to the House's budget proposal.*