



BIOGRAPHY



State Senator
Tim Skinner

Representing Vigo County and portions of Clay County
Democrat - Senate District 38
Term expires: 2014

A dedicated public servant and retired educator, State Senator Tim Skinner proudly represents his community and state serving as a leading voice for Indiana's working families and children.

Skinner was first elected to the State Senate in 2002. Before retiring in 2011, Skinner was a teacher of economics, government and geography at West Vigo High School in Terre Haute. Skinner's insight into Indiana's education system after teaching for nearly a quarter-century brings a valuable view point to the Statehouse. Prior to joining the General Assembly, he served on the Vigo County Council.

Among his many legislative accomplishments, Skinner has fought to stop the spread of methamphetamine abuse, to lower property taxes and to better fund Indiana's public schools. In summer 2005, he participated in the Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development.

Skinner serves as the ranking Democrat on the Senate's Tax and Fiscal Policy Committee. He also is a member of the Agriculture & Natural Resources, Education & Career Development, and Pensions & Labor standing committees and serves on the Commission on Military and Veterans Affairs. In addition, he has been appointed to serve on the Budgets and Revenue Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures, a bipartisan organization that serves the legislators and staffs of the nation's 50 states, its commonwealths and territories.

A graduate of Garfield High School, Skinner earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Indiana State University. The senator and his wife reside in Terre Haute and have four adult children and seven grandchildren.

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