Sen. Jeff Flake (R-AZ)



Background

A fifth-generation Arizonan, Jeff Flake is a Mormon who was born and raised on a ranch in Snowflake, a town named after his great-great-grandfather. He was elected Arizona's junior senator in 2012 to replace retiring GOP Sen. Jon Kyl. Prior to being elected to the Senate, Flake served six terms in the House. Ideologically, he is a faithful adherent to the libertarian-leaning conservative principles of former Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater, even if it sometimes means alienating his GOP colleagues. Flake's beliefs on occasion have led him to support Democratic measures that many Republicans abhorred. For example, he supported a 2007 bill to prohibit workplace discrimination against gays, although he said in 2010 that he wouldn't support a revised version because of its expansion to include transgender rights. He also joined Democrats in calling for an end to the 1962 trade embargo with Cuba, a blockade that many staunchly anti-Communist Republicans support. Flake serves on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources, Foreign Relations and Judiciary committees. He has been vocal in his criticism of President Trump and is not running for re-election in November, having announced his retirement in October 2017.

Committees	Biography	Election Results		
 Energy and Natural Resources Foreign Relations Judiciary Special Aging 	First Elected: 2012	2012 General		
	Education: Brigham Young U., B.A., 1986, M.A., 1987	Jeff Flake (R)	1,104,457	49%
		Richard Carmona (D)	1,036,542	46%
	Religion: Mormon			-
	Family: Marital Status: Married, Spouse: Cheryl, 5 children			
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