

Biography of
THE HONORABLE JAKE FILES
ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR



SENATE DISTRICT 13

Arkansas State Senator Jake Files represents Senate District 13, which comprises a portion of Sebastian County and the entire city of Fort Smith. Elected in 2010, he is serving his first term in the Arkansas Senate. During the 88th General Assembly, he serves on Legislative Joint Auditing; Senate Revenue and Taxation; Senate Transportation, Technology and Legislative Affairs; and Senate Efficiency. He is an alternate to Joint Budget Committee.

Senator Files was elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives in 1998 to serve House District 12. He served two consecutive terms.

Professionally, Senator Files is a partner at Foster, Files and Harris LLC, a general construction firm and real estate development company. His past professional experience includes a term as president and superintendent of the PreK-12 at Fort Smith Christian School and working for ERC Properties, Inc.

Born in Norman, Oklahoma, Senator Files has a bachelor's degree in accounting and is a cum laude graduate of Arkansas State University. He is married to the former Michaela Mitchell, and together they have three daughters, Kate, Liz and Bella. The family are members of Eastside Baptist Church, where Senator Files plays guitar for the worship band, coaches Little League baseball and assists with the children's choir.