

Biography of
THE HONORABLE BRUCE HOLLAND
ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR



ASSISTANT PRO TEMPORE
CHAIRMAN – AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
SENATE DISTRICT 9

Senator Bruce Holland represents Senate District 9, which includes Scott County and parts of Crawford, Franklin and Sebastian Counties. Elected in November 2010 and re-elected in 2012, he is serving his second term. For the current 89th General Assembly, he is chairman of the Senate Agriculture, Forestry and Economic Development Committee and holds membership on Senate Education; Senate Rules, Resolutions & Memorials; Joint Budget Committee (JBC); Joint Energy; Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plans; Legislative Joint Auditing; JBC-Claims; Legislative Joint Auditing-Educational Institutions and the Academic Facilities Oversight Committee. He is also an Assistant Pro Tempore. Regionally and nationally, Senator Holland works with legislators as a member of the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC) and the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). He is a member of the Education Committee with SLC and a member of the NCSL's Communications, Financial Services & Interstate Commerce Standing Committee.

During the 88th General Assembly, he served as vice chairman of the Arkansas Legislative Council Peer Review Subcommittee and was a member of Arkansas Legislative Council; Legislative Joint Auditing; ALC-Review; Senate Education; Senate Transportation, Technology and Legislative Affairs; Joint Energy; Joint Advanced Communications and Information Technology; ALC - Higher Education Subcommittee; ALC-Policy Making; Legislative Joint Auditing-Educational Institutions and Academic Facilities Oversight Committee.

Civically, Senator Holland is active with several boards, including the Land O'Lakes Corporation Governance Council, which represents 14 states. He serves as council secretary and as chairman of policies and resolutions.

Additionally, Senator Holland serves on the Van Buren Farmers Co-op Board of Directors, the Sebastian County Historical Society Board and the Sebastian County Fair Board and Association. He is former chairman of the Farm Service Agency County Committee for Crawford, Scott and Sebastian Counties and former president of the Sebastian County Farm Bureau. He is a member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and the National Wild Turkey Federation.

Professionally, Senator Holland is a cattleman and rancher. He attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and majored in chemical engineering. A native of Sebastian County, he resides in Greenwood, is a member of the Greenwood United Methodist Church and enjoys country music, hunting and bass fishing.