



Assemblymember Phillip Chen

District 59 - Republican

Counties Represented:

Intersection of Los Angeles (Diamond Bar, Industry, Rowland Heights, Walnut, West Covina), Orange (Brea, La Habra, Placentia, Yorba Linda), and San Bernardino (Chino Hills) counties

About Phillip Chen:

Chen graduated from Servite High School in Anaheim and earned his BA in Communications from California State University, Fullerton as well as an MA in Public Administration and a Doctoral of Educational Psychology from the University of Southern California. He also served as an Adjunct Faculty Professor at the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy. Chen won his first elected office in November of 2012 as a school board member to the Walnut Valley Unified School District. There, he established and maintained a basic organizational structure for the local school system. He helped turn the district's budget deficit into a budget surplus and established a "rainy-day" fund. Chen worked as a health policy advisor for the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. There, he helped save tax dollars and improve delivery of services by fostering public-private partnerships. He investigated, reported and made recommendations for actions pertaining to health, public health, and mental health in Los Angeles County. Chen was appointed by former Gov. Pete Wilson to the Governor's Office of Criminal Justice Planning. There he helped oversee CA's juvenile justice programs. He was a member of the State Advisory Group, Juvenile Justice Native American Committee. There, he worked on legislation to protect fosterchildren, prevent gang violence, and fight drug abuse.

Member Priorities & District Issues

Member Priorities

- Health;
- Economic Development

Committee Membership

Standing Committees

- Vice-Chair, Banking and Finance
- Co-Chair, Special Committee on Legislative Ethics

Legislation

- AB 750 - School safety: school resource officers

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