



Assemblymember Steve Bennett

District 38 - Democrat

Counties Represented:
Ventura County

About Steve Bennett:

Born and raised in the Midwest, Steve developed a strong sense of community responsibility. After graduating from Brown University with an Honors Degree in Economics, Steve served his community as a high school Economics and American History teacher for over 20 years. From 2000 to 2020, Assemblymember Bennett served his community as a Ventura County Supervisor. He first brought fiscally responsible policies to county government. He then led efforts to improve conditions for the disadvantaged and the voiceless. He beat back opposition to the creation of Ventura's first municipal homeless shelter. Steve has a particular passion for supporting the foster children of Ventura County and the 11,000 seniors residing in hundreds of nursing facilities. He spent 20 years leading the Board in efforts to improve conditions for foster children and ensure that the thousands of seniors who have outlived their friends and family receive a weekly visit by an Ombudsman solely focused on their welfare in the facility. Steve and his wife Leslie share a passion for education. Leslie spent three decades as a high school Spanish teacher. For the past 14 years, they have shared their home with an immigrant family from Mexico. The experience of their adoptive family has led to a desire to leave a better world for those trapped by growing income inequality. Improved educational options, access to good medical care, and affordable housing are essential to doing that and a focus of Steve's service in the Assembly.

Member Priorities & District Issues

Member Priorities

- Climate Change;
- Education

Committee Membership

Standing Committees

- Chair - Subcommittee No. 3 on Climate Crisis, Resources, Energy, and Transportation
- Budget
- Joint Legislative Budget

Legislation

- AB 674 - SNAP Foster Youth
- AB 824 - Student School Board Members

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