

Table 3.6
SENATE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS — METHODS OF SELECTION

State or other jurisdiction	President	President pro tem	Majority leader	Assistant majority leader	Majority floor leader	Assistant majority floor leader	Majority whip	Majority caucus chairman	Minority leader	Assistant minority leader	Minority floor leader	Assistant minority floor leader	Minority whip	Minority caucus chairman
Alabama	(a)	ES	AT	...	...	...	...	...	AP	...	...	...	...	...
Alaska	ES	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	...	EC	...	...	...	EC	...
Arizona*	ES	AP	EC	...	...	...	EC	...	EC	EC	...	...	EC	...
Arkansas	(a)	ES	EC	...	...	...	...	...	EC	...	...	...	...	...
California	(a)	ES	...	...	EC	...	EC	EC	...	...	EC	...	EC	EC
Colorado	ES	ES	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC
Connecticut (b)	(a)	ES	AT	AT	...	...	AT	...	EC	AL/8	...	...	AL	...
Delaware	(a)	EC (c)	EC	...	...	...	EC	...	EC	...	...	...	EC	...
Florida	ES	ES	EC	EC (nm)	...	...	...	...	EC (d)	EC (e)	EC/2	...	...	...
Georgia	(a)	ES	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC
Hawaii	ES	ES (f)	EC	...	EC	...	...	...	EC	...	EC	...	...	...
Idaho	(a)	ES	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC
Illinois	ES	...	AP (g)	AP/6	...	...	...	AP	EC	AL/5	...	...	...	AL
Indiana	(a)	ES	...	...	AT	AT	AT	EC	...	...	EC	EC	EC	EC
Iowa	ES	ES	EC	EC	...	...	...	...	EC	EC	...	...	...	...
Kansas (h)	ES	ES (f)	EC	EC (i)	...	...	EC (j)	...	EC	EC	...	...	EC	EC
Kentucky	ES	ES	...	...	EC	...	EC	EC	...	...	EC	...	EC	EC
Louisiana	ES	ES	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maine*	ES	AP (k)	EC (l)	EC (l)	(l)	(l)	...	...	EC (l)	EC (l)	(l)	(l)	...	...
Maryland (m)	ES	ES	AP (n)	AP,AL (o)	(n)	(o)	AP,AL	...	EC	...	...	...	EC	...
Massachusetts*	EC (p)	...	AP	AP/2	...	...	...	(p)	EC (p)	AL/3	...	...	...	(p)
Michigan	(a)	ES	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC
Minnesota	ES	ES	EC	EC	...	...	AL/4	...	EC	EC/6	...	...	EC/6 (q)	...
Mississippi	(a)	ES	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Missouri	(a)	ES	...	...	EC	EC	...	EC	...	...	EC	EC	...	EC
Montana	ES	ES	...	...	ES	...	ES	...	...	...	ES	...	ES	...
Nebraska (U)	(a)	ES (r)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nevada	(a)	ES	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...
New Hampshire (s)	ES	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Jersey (t)	ES	ES	EC	EC/3	...	...	EC	EC	EC	EC/3	...	...	EC	EC
New Mexico	(a)	ES	EC (u)	...	EC (u)	...	EC	EC	EC	...	EC	...	EC	EC
New York* (v)	(a)	ES (w)	(w)	AT/2	...	...	AT	AT (x)	EC	AL/3	...	...	AL	AL (x)
North Carolina (y)	(a)	ES	EC	...	...	...	EC	...	EC	...	...	...	EC	...
North Dakota	(a)	ES	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC	...	...	...	EC
Ohio (z)	ES (p)	ES	...	...	...	...	ES	(p)	ES (p)	ES	...	...	ES	(p)
Oklahoma	(a)	ES	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC
Oregon	ES	ES	EC	AL/7	...	...	EC	(p)	EC (p)	EC/3	...	...	EC/1	(p)
Pennsylvania*	(a)	ES	EC	...	...	...	EC	EC	EC (aa)	...	...	...	EC (aa)	EC
Rhode Island* (y)	(a)	ES	EC	AL/6 (bb)	AL	...	EC	AL/2 (bb)	AL	...
South Carolina*	(a)	ES

See footnotes at end of table.

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South Dakota	(a)	ES	EC/2	EC	EC/2	...	EC	EC	EC/2	...
Tennessee	ES (s)	AP (cc)	EC (cc)	EC	EC (cc)	EC (cc)	EC (cc)
Texas	(a)	ES
Utah (dd)	ES (ee)	...	EC	EC	...	EC	EC	...
Vermont	(a)	ES	EC	EC (ff)	(ff)	...	EC	EC (ff)	(ff)	...
Virginia	(a)	ES	EC	...	EC	EC	EC (nn)
Washington (gg)	(a)	ES	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC (hh)	EC (hh)	EC (hh)	EC (hh)	EC (hh)	EC (hh)
West Virginia*	ES	AP	AP	AP	...	EC	AL	...
Wisconsin	ES	ES	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC
Wyoming	ES	ES (f)	EC	...	EC	EC	EC	...	EC	EC
Dist. of Columbia* (U)	(ii)	(jj)
American Samoa*	ES	ES
Guam* (U)	ES (r)	ES (f)	EC	EC	EC	...	EC	EC	EC	...
No. Mariana Islands*	ES (h)	...	(h)	...	ES (kk)	EC
Puerto Rico*	ES (p)	ES (f)	EC	EC (ll)	(p)	EC/2 (p)	...	EC (ll)	(p)
U.S. Virgin Islands* (U)	ES	ES (f)	ES	...	(n)	(n)

Source: The Council of State Governments' survey, January 2000, except where noted by * where data are from *The Book of the States, 1998-99*.

Note: In some states, the leadership positions in the Senate are not empowered by the law or by the rules of the chamber, but rather by the party members themselves. Entry following slash indicates number of individuals holding specified position.

- Key:
 ES — Elected or confirmed by all members of the Senate.
 EC — Elected by party caucus.
 AP — Appointed by president.
 AT — Appointed by president pro tempore.
 AL — Appointed by party leader.
 (U) — Unicameral legislative body.
 ... — Position does not exist or is not selected on a regular basis.
 (a) Lieutenant governor is president of the Senate by virtue of the office.
 (b) Additional positions include deputy president pro tem, two deputy majority leaders (EC), minority leader pro tem, and two deputy minority leaders (appointed by minority leader and approved by party caucus).
 (c) Approved by Senate members.
 (d) Preferred title is Democratic leader.
 (e) Official title is minority leader pro tempore.
 (f) Official title is vice president. In Guam, vice speaker.
 (g) The president can, at his or her discretion, serve as majority leader and usually does.
 (h) Additional positions include minority agenda chair (EC).
 (i) Assistant majority leader also serves as majority party caucus chairperson.
 (j) Official title is assistant majority leader/whip.
 (k) Appointed only in the president's absence.

- (l) Majority leader also serves as majority floor leader; assistant majority leader also serves as assistant majority floor leader; minority leader also serves as minority floor leader; assistant minority leader also serves as assistant minority floor leader.
 (m) Other positions include deputy majority leader, deputy majority whip and assistant deputy majority whip; these positions are appointed by president and majority leader.
 (n) Majority leader also serves as majority floor leader.
 (o) Official title is deputy majority leader. Also serves as assistant majority floor leader.
 (p) President and minority floor leader are also caucus chairmen. In Ohio and Puerto Rico, president and minority leader. In Oregon, majority leader and minority leader.
 (q) Official title is assistant minority leader/minority whip.
 (r) Official title is speaker. In Tennessee, official also has the statutory title of "lieutenant governor."
 (s) Additional positions include a Republican leader and a Democratic leader.
 (t) Additional positions include deputy majority leader (EC), two deputy assistant minority leaders (EC), and minority leader pro tem (EC).
 (u) Majority leader also serves as majority floor leader. Minority leader also serves as minority floor leader.
 (v) Additional positions include vice-president pro tem (AT), deputy majority leader (AT), majority program development chairman (AT), deputy minority leader (AL), senior assistant majority leader (AT), majority conference vice-chairman (AT), minority conference vice-chairman (AL), majority conference secretary (AT), deputy majority whip (AT), majority steering committee chairman (AT), minority conference secretary (AL), assistant majority whip (AT), and assistant minority whip (AL).
 (w) President pro tempore is also majority leader.
 (x) Majority caucus chairman: official title is majority conference chairman. Minority caucus chairman: official title is minority conference chairman.
 (y) Additional positions include deputy president pro tempore.
 (z) Additional positions include assistant president pro tempore (ES) and assistant minority whip (ES).

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- (aa) Customary title of minority party leaders is the party designation (Democratic).
- (bb) Assistant majority leader: official title is deputy majority leader. Assistant minority leader: official title is deputy minority leader.
- (cc) President pro tem: official title is speaker pro tem. Official titles of majority party leaders: Democratic; official titles of minority party leaders: Republican.
- (dd) Additional positions include assistant majority whip (EC) and assistant minority whip (EC).
- (ee) The president is elected in caucus but is formally and officially nominated and elected by acclamation on the 1st day of session by the entire body of senate.
- (ff) Assistant majority leader also serves as majority whip. Assistant minority whip also serves as minority whip.
- (gg) Additional positions include vice president pro tem (ES), majority assistant whip (EC), and Republican assistant whip (EC).
- (hh) Customary title of minority party leaders is the party designation (Republican).
- (ii) Chairman of the Council, which is an elected position.
- (jj) Appointed by the chairman; official title is chairman pro tem.
- (kk) Official title is floor leader.
- (ll) Office title is alternate floor leader.
- (mm) Official title is majority leader pro tempore.
- (nn) Serves as minority floor leader.