



NC SENATE Scoreboard & Forecasts

Tuesday, September 25, 2012

DEMOCRATS

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REPUBLICANS

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Candidates	Democrats	Republicans
Winners <i>No Opponent</i>	7	11
Likely Winners <i>Decided Advantage</i>	9	18
Favored <i>Advantage</i>	2	2
Toss Up <i>No Advantage</i>	1	1

Trends & Terms

In 2012, Republicans will win the Senate majority because they have seized the decided advantage jealously guarded by Democrats since the 19th Century. First, the state GOP is united behind savvy political warfare leaders at a time when the Democratic Party is divided by scandal and weak leadership. Second, Republicans have the favorable district maps and fundraising advantages historically reserved for Democrats. These political advantages ... money, maps, unity and savvy leaders ... have allowed Democrats to maintain their iron-fisted grip on the state budget for a hundred years. Now, with great respect for the standards for political fairness established by the North Carolina Democratic Party, the GOP is setting itself on a sure course for a Republican majority in the Senate for many elections to come. John N. Davis, 9/25/2012

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| <i>Winner:</i> | <i>Has no further opposition.</i> |
| <i>Likely Winner:</i> | <i>Has a decided advantage (highly partisan district and major financial edge).</i> |
| <i>Favored:</i> | <i>Has an advantage but also has a competitive opponent and/or district.</i> |
| <i>Toss-up:</i> | <i>Competitive district with two equally competitive contenders.</i> |
| <i>Civitas' Partisan Index:</i> | <i>Represents the partisan advantage greater/lesser than statewide average.</i> |

WINNERS: Republicans with No Opponent

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrorry '08
6	Winner	Harry Brown	(R)	Leans R	R+5	39%	60%	51%	45%
7	Winner	Louis Pate	(R)	Strong R	R+7	39%	60%	49%	49%
10	Winner	Brent Jackson	(R)	Leans R	R+4	41%	58%	49%	49%
29	Winner	Jerry Tillman	(R)	Strong R	R+16	34%	65%	36%	61%
33	Winner	Stan Bingham	(R)	Strong R	R+13	34%	65%	40%	56%
34	Winner	Andrew Brock	(R)	Strong R	R+11	37%	62%	37%	60%
35	Winner	Tommy Tucker	(R)	Strong R	R+14	37%	62%	30%	68%
36	Winner	Fletcher Hartsell	(R)	Strong R	R+11	39%	60%	34%	64%
41	Winner	Jeff Tarte	(R)	Strong R	R+8	47%	52%	33%	65%
43	Winner	Kathy Harrington	(R)	Strong R	R+11	37%	62%	35%	63%
48	Winner	Tom Apodaca	(R)	Strong R	R+9	42%	57%	44%	52%

WINNERS: Democrats with No Opponent

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrorry '08
3	Winner	Clark Jenkins	(D)	Strong D	D+18	62%	37%	72%	27%
5	Winner	Don Davis	(D)	Strong D	D+14	62%	37%	68%	30%
14	Winner	Dan Blue	(D)	Strong D	D+23	76%	23%	72%	25%
16	Winner	Josh Stein	(D)	Leans D	D+7	63%	36%	55%	40%
20	Winner	Floyd McKissick	(D)	Strong D	D+24	76%	24%	74%	24%
21	Winner	Ben Clark	(D)	Strong D	D+18	68%	32%	70%	28%
28	Winner	Gladys Robinson	(D)	Strong D	D+29	82%	18%	79%	18%

LIKELY WINNERS: Republicans with Decided Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrorry '08
2	Likely Winner	Norman Sanderson	(R)	Strong R	R+7	39%	60%	53%	45%
2	Opponent	Greg Muse	(D)						
8	Likely Winner	Bill Rabon	(R)	Swing	R+2	44%	55%	50%	46%
8	Opponent	Danny Hefner	(D)						
9	Likely Winner	Thom Goolsby	(R)	Leans R	R+4	48%	51%	48%	47%
9	Opponent	Deb Butler	(D)						
11	Likely Winner	Buck Newton	(R)	Leans R	R+6	41%	59%	46%	52%
11	Opponent	Clarence Bender	(D)						
15	Likely Winner	Neal Hunt	(R)	Leans R	R+6	49%	50%	43%	54%
15	Opponent	Sig Hutchinson	(D)						
19	Likely Winner	Wesley Meredith	(R)	Swing	D+2	50%	50%	55%	43%
19	Opponent	George Tatum	(D)						
24	Likely Winner	Rick Gunn	(R)	Strong R	R+8	42%	57%	45%	51%
24	Opponent	Brandon Black	(L)						
25	Likely Winner	Gene McIntyre	(R)	Swing	R+2	42%	57%	45%	53%
25	Opponent	Gene McLaurin	(D)						
26	Likely Winner	Philip Berger	(R)	Strong R	R+7	43%	56%	45%	51%
26	Opponent	Bobby Stanley	(D)						
27	Likely Winner	Trudy Wade	(R)	Leans R	R+6	46%	53%	46%	51%
27	Opponent	Myra Slone	(D)						
30	Likely Winner	Don East	(R)	Strong R	R+13	32%	66%	42%	55%
30	Opponent	Ric Marshall	(D)						
31	Likely Winner	Pete Brunstetter	(R)	Strong R	R+13	39%	61%	41%	56%
31	Opponent	Delmas Parker	(D)						
39	Likely Winner	Bob Rucho	(R)	Strong R	R+12	44%	55%	27%	71%
39	Opponent	Jack Flynn	(D)						
42	Likely Winner	Austin Allran	(R)	Strong R	R+13	36%	63%	33%	65%
42	Opponent	Joseph Inglefield	(D)						
44	Likely Winner	David Curtis	(R)	Strong R	R+13	36%	63%	32%	66%

44	Opponent	Ross	Bulla	(D)						
45	Likely Winner	Dan	Soucek	(R)	Strong R	R+8	40%	59%	40%	56%
45	Opponent	Roy	Carter	(D)						
46	Likely Winner	Warren	Daniel	(R)	Leans R	R+4	40%	59%	42%	56%
46	Opponent	John	McDevitt	(D)						
46	Opponent	Richard	Avery	(L)						
47	Likely Winner	Ralph	Hise	(R)	Leans R	R+6	38%	61%	45%	51%
47	Opponent	Phil	Feagan	(D)						

LIKELY WINNERS: Democrats with Decided Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
4	Likely Winner	Ed Jones	(D)	Strong D	D+18	66%	34%	70%	28%
4	Opponent	Scott Nail	(R)						
13	Likely Winner	Michael Walters	(D)	Strong D	D+15	52%	47%	68%	30%
13	Opponent	Bernard White	(R)						
22	Likely Winner	Mike Woodard	(D)	Strong D	D+11	62%	37%	60%	36%
22	Opponent	Milton Holmes	(R)						
23	Likely Winner	Ellie Kinnaird	(D)	Strong D	D+13	66%	32%	61%	34%
23	Opponent	Dave Carter	(R)						
32	Likely Winner	Earline Parmon	(D)	Strong D	D+17	69%	30%	69%	28%
32	Opponent	Reginald Reid	(R)						
37	Likely Winner	Daniel Clodfelter	(D)	Leans D	D+7	66%	33%	51%	46%
37	Opponent	Michael Vadini	(R)						
38	Likely Winner	Joel Ford	(D)	Strong D	D+24	78%	21%	70%	28%
38	Opponent	Richard Rivette	(R)						
40	Likely Winner	Malcolm Graham	(D)	Strong D	D+25	80%	19%	72%	26%
40	Opponent	Earl Philip	(R)						
49	Likely Winner	Martin Nesbitt	(D)	Leans D	D+7	58%	40%	59%	37%
49	Opponent	R.L. Clark	(R)						

Favored: Republican with Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
17	Favored	Tamara Barringer	(R)	Strong R	R+7	49%	50%	43%	53%
17	Opponent	Erv Portman	(D)						
18	Favored	Chad Barefoot	(R)	Leans R	R+3	48%	51%	48%	49%
18	Opponent	Doug Berger	(D)						

Favored: Democrat with Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
1	Favored	Stan White	(D)	Swing	R+0	45%	54%	55%	43%
1	Opponent	Bill Cook	(R)						
12	Favored	Brad Salmon	(D)	Leans R	R+4	41%	58%	46%	51%
12	Opponent	Ronald Rabin	(R)						

Toss Up: Equal Advantages/Disadvantages

District	Forecast	Candidate	Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrory '08
50	Toss Up	Jim Davis	(R)	Leans R	R+4	42%	57%	50%	46%
50	Toss Up	John Snow	(D)						