



NC Senate Scoreboard & Forecasts

Wednesday, November 7, 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>	10	17
Favored <i>Advantage</i>	0	4
Toss Up <i>No Advantage</i>	0	1

Trends & Terms

John N. Davis, 9/26/12: 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 deference to the fundamentals for winning campaigns and 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.

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| Winner: | <i>Has no opposition.</i> |
| Likely Winner: | <i>Has a decided advantage (highly partisan district and major financial edge).</i> |
| Favored: | <i>Has an advantage but also has a competitive opponent and/or district.</i> |
| Toss-up: | <i>Competitive district with two equally competitive contenders.</i> |
| Yellow Highlight: | <i>Election results were different from the last forecast in September.</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 Win/WON	Norman	Sanderson	(R)	Strong R	R+7	39%	60%	53%	45%
2	Opponent	Greg	Muse	(D)						
8	Likely Win/WON	Bill	Rabon	(R)	Swing	R+2	44%	55%	50%	46%
8	Opponent	Danny	Hefner	(D)						
9	Likely Win/WON	Thom	Goolsby	(R)	Leans R	R+4	48%	51%	48%	47%
9	Opponent	Deb	Butler	(D)						
11	Likely Win/WON	Buck	Newton	(R)	Leans R	R+6	41%	59%	46%	52%
11	Opponent	Clarence	Bender	(D)						
15	Likely Win/WON	Neal	Hunt	(R)	Leans R	R+6	49%	50%	43%	54%
15	Opponent	Sig	Hutchinson	(D)						
19	Likely Win/WON	Wesley	Meredith	(R)	Swing	D+2	50%	50%	55%	43%
19	Opponent	George	Tatum	(D)						
24	Likely Win/WON	Rick	Gunn	(R)	Strong R	R+8	42%	57%	45%	51%
24	Opponent	Brandon	Black	(L)						
25	Likely Win/LOST	Gene	McIntyre	(R)	Swing	R+2	42%	57%	45%	53%
25	Opponent	Gene	McLaurin	(D)	Democrat McLaurin won 44,023 to 39,163 for Republican McIntyre					
26	Likely Win/WON	Philip	Berger	(R)	Strong R	R+7	43%	56%	45%	51%
26	Opponent	Bobby	Stanley	(D)						
27	Likely Win/WON	Trudy	Wade	(R)	Leans R	R+6	46%	53%	46%	51%
27	Opponent	Myra	Slone	(D)						
30	Likely Win/WON	Shirley	Randleman	(R)	Strong R	R+13	32%	66%	42%	55%
30	Opponent	Ric	Marshall	(D)	Randleman replaced GOP Sen. Don East after his death in October					
31	Likely Win/WON	Pete	Brunstetter	(R)	Strong R	R+13	39%	61%	41%	56%
31	Opponent	Delmas	Parker	(D)						
39	Likely Win/WON	Bob	Rucho	(R)	Strong R	R+12	44%	55%	27%	71%
39	Opponent	Jack	Flynn	(D)						
42	Likely Win/WON	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	McCrorry '08
4	Likely Win/WON	Ed	Jones	(D)	Strong D	D+18	66%	34%	70%	28%
4	Opponent	Scott	Nail	(R)						
13	Likely Win/WON	Michael	Walters	(D)	Strong D	D+15	52%	47%	68%	30%
13	Opponent	Bernard	White	(R)						
22	Likely Win/WON	Mike	Woodard	(D)	Strong D	D+11	62%	37%	60%	36%
22	Opponent	Milton	Holmes	(R)						
23	Likely Win/WON	Ellie	Kinnaird	(D)	Strong D	D+13	66%	32%	61%	34%
23	Opponent	Dave	Carter	(R)						
32	Likely Win/WON	Earline	Parmon	(D)	Strong D	D+17	69%	30%	69%	28%
32	Opponent	Reginald	Reid	(R)						
37	Likely Win/WON	Daniel	Clodfelter	(D)	Leans D	D+7	66%	33%	51%	46%
37	Opponent	Michael	Vadini	(R)						
38	Likely Win/WON	Joel	Ford	(D)	Strong D	D+24	78%	21%	70%	28%
38	Opponent	Richard	Rivette	(R)						
40	Likely Win/WON	Malcolm	Graham	(D)	Strong D	D+25	80%	19%	72%	26%
40	Opponent	Earl	Philip	(R)						
49	Likely Win/WON	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	McCrorry '08
17	Favored/WON	Tamara	Barringer	(R)	Strong R	R+7	49%	50%	43%	53%
17	Opponent	Erv	Portman	(D)	Republican Barringer won 61,046 to 51,697 for Democrat Portman					
18	Favored/WON	Chad	Barefoot	(R)	Leans R	R+3	48%	51%	48%	49%
18	Opponent	Doug	Berger	(D)	Republican Barefoot won 59,584 to 44,758 for Democrat Berger					

Favored: Democrat with Advantage

District	Forecast	Candidate		Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrorry '08
1	Favored/LOST	Stan	White	(D)	Swing	R+0	45%	54%	55%	43%
1	Opponent	Bill	Cook	(R)	Democrat White lost by 21 votes of 87,449 to Republican Cook					
12	Favored/LOST	Brad	Salmon	(D)	Leans R	R+4	41%	58%	46%	51%
12	Opponent	Ronald	Rabin	(R)	Republican Rabin won 37,237 to 35,667 for Democrat Salmon					

Toss Up: Equal Advantages/Disadvantages

District	Forecast	Candidate		Party	Dist Lean	Civitas Index	Obama '08	McCain '08	Perdue '08	McCrorry '08
50	Toss Up/WON	Jim	Davis	(R)	Leans R	R+4	42%	57%	50%	46%
50	Toss Up	John	Snow	(D)	Republican Davis won 50,211 to 37,660 for Democrat Snow					