# Former State Representative Dan Stacy

## District 31

# Legislative Biography



Dan Stacy is a former Representative in the Missouri General Assembly who represented the 31st district and received 56.8% of the vote in his last election. He was the Chair of the Career Readiness committee, the Vice Chair of the MO Elections And Elected Officials committee, and a member of the MO Elementary And Secondary and MO Corrections And Public Institutions committees.

He worked most frequently on Law (53 bills), Economics and Public Finance (49 bills), Education (34 bills), Taxation (33 bills), and Crime and Law Enforcement (30 bills). He has sponsored 49 bills in his last thirteen year(s) in office, voting with his party 84.8% of the time, getting 16.33% of his bills out of committee, and 0.0% of his sponsored bills enacted.

Before entering politics, Rep. Stacy was a member of the clergy. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Texas and an undergraduate degree from Iraan High School (TX).

#### **About**

Assumed Office - 2016 Left Office - 2025 Residence - Blue Springs, MO Term - Served four terms

### **Previous Experience**

Missouri Representative, Missouri House of Representatives 2016-2024 Jackson County Republican Committee National Rifle Association (NRA) Blue Springs Chamber of Commerce

[Quorum, Accessed 02/20/2025]

#### Other

#### Dan Stacy is running for election to the Missouri State Senate to represent District 8.

Dan Stacy declared candidacy for the 2026 election. Stacy was previously a Missouri House of Representatives member, representing District 31. He was not able to file for re-election due to term limits. Throughout his political career, he has received endorsements from various conservative organizations, including Missouri Right To Life, National Rifle Association, and Missouri Chamber Political Action Committee [The Missouri Times, 02/20/2025; Ballotpedia 02/20/2025]

Dan Stacy, a self-described "constitutional conservative," made passing Right-to-Work legislation a top priority upon his election to the Missouri House. In 2017, after pulling off an upset victory against incumbent Rep. Sheila Solon—who had opposed right-to-work—Stacy joined the legislature with strong financial backing, including a \$25,000 contribution from the Humphreys family. He vowed to push right-to-work legislation "right away," emphasizing its potential to improve job prospects in Missouri. Stacy followed through on this commitment, voting in favor of a right-to-work bill prohibiting mandatory union fees in workplaces. If enacted, the law would have prevented unions from requiring non-members to pay fees, even though unions would still be obligated to represent all employees. [KSDK, 01/19/2017] [The Missouri Times, 08/03/2016]

# Dan Stacy pushed to mandate "In God We Trust" displays in public buildings and schools.

In December 2023, Dan Stacy introduced legislation for the 2024 session that mandated the prominent display of the national motto, "In God We Trust," in all public buildings, including schools and institutions of higher education. As the bill's primary sponsor, Stacy sought to reinforce the motto's presence in government spaces, aligning with efforts seen in other states to emphasize religious heritage in public institutions. Under the legislation, all public buildings were required to display framed copies of the motto in a highly visible location. These posters had to adhere to specific design requirements, including a minimum size of 11 inches by 14 inches, the motto as the central focus in a large, prominent font, and the inclusion of representations of both the U.S. and Missouri state flags. [Show Me Progress, 12/04/2023]

Dan Stacy was among the early proponents of the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program, sponsoring legislation in 2018 and 2019. In 2018, Dan Stacy sponsored legislation to establish the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program, a controversial initiative that would divert public tax dollars to private education through tax-credit-funded savings accounts. Under Stacy's proposal, families could use these funds for private school tuition, tutoring, and other educational expenses—effectively redirecting money away from Missouri's public school system. While his bills in 2018 and 2019 failed to advance, similar efforts by other lawmakers eventually led to the passage of House Bill 349 in 2021, raising concerns about the long-term impact on public school funding and accountability. [MO H.B. 34; MO H.B. 1639]

During his tenure, Dan Stacy consistently backed anti-abortion measures that threatened women's rights and penalized those who support reproductive health. Dan Stacy's voting

record and public statements reveal a troubling trend of anti-abortion policies that prioritize ideology over women's health and rights. His support for the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act in 2022 highlights a willingness to impose extreme restrictions on reproductive health care, focusing on punitive measures rather than comprehensive support for women and families. Additionally, Stacy's opposition to Amendment 2, which aimed to expand Medicaid in Missouri, reflects a concerning disregard for the healthcare needs of low-income individuals, especially women who may rely on Medicaid for essential reproductive health services. By arguing against measures that could improve access to care, he demonstrates a singular focus on limiting abortion access at the expense of broader healthcare needs. [MO H.R.26; Missouri Independent, 04/20/2021; Missouri Right To Life PAC 08/20/2020]