Ohio

Voters in Ohio will elect a Governor and Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 99 seats are up in the House and 17 out of 33 seats are up in the Senate. Republicans currently have a trifecta in the state and will maintain control of the legislature.

Attorney General

Democratic Nominee

[Steve Dettelbach](#)

Steve Dettelbach was appointed United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio for six years.

Dettelbach wants to establish a Law Enforcement Technology Task Force, comprised of both law enforcement and IT experts, to identify gaps in Ohio's criminal-data systems. He supports tuition reimbursement for law enforcement officials. He supports increased funding for local police training.

He wants to expand hate crimes to include crimes motivated by gender, sexual orientation, or disability. He supports strengthening penalties for soliciting sex with minors and child pornography and to make selling minors on the internet a second-degree felony for a first offense.

He has helped develop a plan entitled *Keep It Open, Keep It Honest* to address redistricting reform. It would require regular public reports and release actual draft maps and public briefings. It would allow the attorney general to quickly bring violations to a judge.

Dettelbach has stated that if elected, the Office will not defend any elected official or state employee against whom there is a credible allegation of sexual harassment.

Dettelbach wants to implement additional ethics reform. His plan requires public officials to disclose the value of the gifts they get, and whether the giver has any business interests with relevant state or local government. He supports increasing penalties for bribery and conflicts of interest for government officials. He will also impose a gift ban on all employees in the Office of the Attorney General.

Trivia: Dettelbach is a graduate of Dartmouth and Harvard.

*Information is heavily borrowed from campaign websites, social media, and news and blogs.