

Oklahoma

Voters in Oklahoma will elect a Governor and Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 101 seats are up in the House and 24 out of 48 seats are up in the Senate. Republicans currently have a trifecta and will maintain control of the legislature.

Governor

Democratic Nominee

[Drew Edmondson](#)

Drew Edmondson previously served as Attorney General for the state from 1995-2011. His campaign is focusing on Oklahoma's economy and positioning him as a moderate populist.

He is campaigning to close corporate tax loopholes and expand tax deductions for the middle class. He has released a Family Farmers Bill of Rights plan that includes right to repair legislation and country of origin labels.

Edmondson is in favor of raising the gross production tax to 7% on oil and gas and raising the tax on cigarettes by \$1.50. He also wants to repeal the capital gains tax exemption.

His campaign's language is seemingly hostile towards the lobbying industry, blaming it for the state's budgeting woes. He wants to establish an Office of Open Government. He supports more transparency in the Legislature including sunshine laws.

Edmondson would look to circumvent the Legislature and expand Medicaid. He also wants to focus on controlling prescription drug costs with more price negotiating. He has also made threats of suing drug companies that manipulate costs.

Edmondson is in favor of raising teacher salaries and universal Pre-K.

***Trivia:** Drew Edmondson's uncle was Oklahoma Governor J. Howard Edmondson and his famous campaign jingle from the 50s is making a come back with some help from Tony award winner Kelli O'Hara.*