

Connecticut

Voters in Connecticut will elect a Governor and Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 151 seats are up in the House and all 36 seats are up in the Senate. The governor's race and chamber outcomes are highly competitive white the Democrats are likely to maintain control of the Office of Attorney General.

Governor

Democratic Nominee

Ned Lamont

Businessman Ned Lamont easily defeated his one challenger in the Democratic primary. Lamont has pledged to reverse Governor Malloy's property tax increases in addition to raising the property tax credit for existing beneficiaries by 50 percent. He supports family and medical paid leave and increasing the minimum wage to \$15 an hour. He has pledged to committing the state to being carbon neutral by 2050.

He has announced a proposal to have an Opioids Czar if elected and he wants to work more closely with the medical community to reduce the prescribing of opioids. He strongly supports lawsuits brought by many of Connecticut's municipalities.

Lamont supports disclosure in drug pricing, discounts, and rebates. He has also pledged to limit the "anticompetitive coupons" for privately insured patients that Medicaid and Medicare have already prohibited. He wants to cap out-of-pocket pharmaceutical costs at \$275 per month and out-of-network prices at emergency rooms and hospitals.

Lamont has announced an eight-step plan to revamp the state's Department of Motor Vehicles. He is proposing extending the length of licenses and registrations, opening new "express centers" in town halls across the state, and overhauling software platforms.

Lamont has pledged to expand nurse-family partnerships, child care, and early childhood education programs. He supports tuition-free community college for in-state students who commit to living and working in the state post-graduation. He also supports expanding vocational and apprenticeship programs.

Lamont has promised to not accept a budget that takes from the Special Transportation Fund to pay for non-infrastructure related projects and he supports the transportation lockbox amendment. He also supports electronic tolling of out-of-state heavy trucks. Lamont has pledged to launch a program to expand broadband across the state by investing in 5G small-cell networks.

Trivia: Ned Lamont famously defeated then Democratic Senator Joe Lieberman in the 2006 primary before ultimately losing to him in the general.

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