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Voters in California will elect a Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General this cycle. All 80 Assembly seats will be on the ballot as well as half (20) of the Senate seats. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the Governor's Office, Office of the Attorney General, and the Legislature.

Governor

Republican Nominee

[State Senator Brian Dahle \(R\)](#)

Brian Dahle (R) is a member of the California State Senate, representing District 1. He is a former member of the California State Assembly, where he served seven years and spent time as the Assembly Republican Leader. He led the Republican caucus until 2018, when he stepped down to run in a special election to fill the vacant 1st Senate District seat.

Dahle has been criticizing Governor Gavin Newsom on his approach to climate, education, and crime. He has released his [set of solutions](#) to these named issues, which include plans to address issues including crime, homelessness, gas prices, and affordability.

Dahle [supports](#) sending funds to local law enforcement and replacing state parole board members who he says have been "too accommodating" to felons. He also [opposes](#) California's Proposition 57 because of legal technicalities in the definition of "violent crime" that he argues accelerates the release of convicted felons.

While on the campaign trail, Dahle has [called](#) for an audit of state homeless programs, supported building more shelters and promised to strength rehabilitation and mental health services.

Dahle [says](#) he would focus on building more transmission lines so that clean energy could be shared from one part of California to another as opposed to being exported out of the state.

He has just under \$400,000 in his campaign [account](#) as of early July.

Trivia: Dahle's wife Megan currently serves in his former State Assembly seat.