

## NEBRASKA

Voters in Nebraska this year will elect a Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General this cycle. Half of the seats in the Nebraska State Legislature (24) are up for re-election. There will also be one special election. Republicans are expected to maintain control of all branches of government.

### Governor

### Republican Nominee

[Jim Pillen \(R\)](#)

Jim Pillen is a member of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents. Pillen is endorsed by outgoing Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts (R), who is term limited. In the race to capture the GOP nomination, Pillen defeated businessman Charles Herbster, who was endorsed by former President Donald Trump (R).

Pillen opposed the teaching of Critical Race Theory and proposed a [resolution](#) to ban its teaching on University of Nebraska campuses.

Pillen [asserts](#) that while outgoing Governor Ricketts made good on his promise to address the state's property tax system, property taxes are still too high. He promises, if elected, to modernize the Nebraska's tax structure and limit the growth in spending by local taxing entities.

Pillen [pledges](#) to invest in the expansion of Nebraska's broadband access and improve the state's roads.

He believes that Nebraska's agriculture must be protected from [overreach](#) by the federal government citing his opposition to the Biden administration's goal of conserving 30% of land and waters by 2030.

Pillen denounces efforts to defund law enforcement, [stating](#) that first responders deserve support. He has been critical of the federal government's efforts to control the southern border and—what he refers to as “refusing” to deal with immigration reform—leading to what he describes as a national security threat.

*Trivia: Jim Pillen was a defensive back for the Nebraska Cornhuskers football team from 1975-1978 and was inducted into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame in 2004.*