

MASSACHUSETTS

Voters in Massachusetts will elect a governor and attorney general this cycle. All 160 House seats will be on the ballot as well as all 40 Senate seats. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the Governor's Office, Office of Attorney General, and the legislature.

Governor

Republican Nominee

Geoff Diehl

Geoff Diehl (R) previously served as the State Representative for the 7th Plymouth district from 2011 to 2019. He was the Republican nominee in the 2018 senatorial election challenging incumbent U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren (D) receiving 36 percent of the vote

Diehl released his "<u>Blueprint for the Bay State</u>", a plan that concentrates on housing, education, renewable energy, infrastructure, and reforming state agencies.

He supports the creation of a new agency within the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to monitor schools for the promotion of any political agenda and increase the police presence in schools.

Diehl was a vocal critic of COVID-19 protocols and mitigation measures and has promised to rehire all state workers who were fired for vaccine refusal, and to terminate any executive branch manager who independently required vaccination verifications.

Diehl <u>wants</u> to establish a special commission to study whether COVID relief funds were used improperly. He also supports appointing a special bipartisan commission to study the safety and integrity of mail-in voting.

Diehl was endorsed by former President Donald Trump (R) in late 2021 and was joined by Trump the night before his primary for a telephone <u>rally</u>. While Diehl has echoed theories of election fraud, he has maintained he would accept the results come November but would seek legal resolutions if he sees issues in the voting process.

Diehl has spent most of his campaign funds after a competitive Republican primary, <u>reporting</u> \$17,000 in the bank.

Trivia: Before life in public service, Diehl lived in New York City to pursue a career in advertising and television.