

## NORTH DAKOTA

Voters in North Dakota will elect a governor and treasurer this cycle. Forty-seven (47) out of the 94 house seats are on the ballot as well as 23 out of the 47 senate seats. The governor seat is open, and Republicans are expected to maintain control of this office as well as the legislative chambers.

### State Treasurer

### Republican Nominee

### Treasurer Thomas Beadle

North Dakota State Treasurer Thomas Beadle (R) is headed towards a second term after running unopposed in the Republican primary election and general election. He first assumed the office in 2021. Prior to the treasurer office, Beadle served in the North Dakota House of Representatives from 2011 to 2020.

In October 2023, Beadle was elected as Vice-President for the National Association of State Treasurers for 2024. He served as Treasurer for the association in 2023.

His re-election campaign centered around accomplishments from his first term in office as well as goals for a second term.

His focus for the office includes defending against Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) investments, improving transparency and accountability, supporting **education**, and growing the state's **Legacy Fund**.

Beadle has been vocal on his pushback against **ESG** involvement in the financial industry, having signed onto multiple comment letters concerning ESG practices and proposed rules by the Securities and Exchange Commission. He previously presented concerns about ESG investment practices to the North Dakota Legislature's interim Energy Development and Transmission Committee along with Utah Treasurer Marlo Oaks and West Virginia Treasurer Riley Moore.

For successes of his first term, Beadle is highlighting his work to increase efficiency and **transparency** in operations, reshape the State Investment Board office to bring in private sector experience, and upgrade systems and processes.

*Trivia: Beadle comes from a long line of politicians in the state. His grandfather, Earl Strinden, was House Majority Leader and served in state government from 1966 to 1988.*