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Voters will head to the polls to select a governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, and comptroller. Governor Greg Abbott (R) is expected to secure a historic fourth consecutive term in office. All 150 house seats and 16 out of 31 senate seats are also up for election. Republicans are expected to main control of all executive offices and the house and senate.

Attorney General

Republican Nominee

State Senator Mayes Middleton

Mayes Middleton is currently a member of the Texas Senate, representing District 11 since 2023. He also served two terms in the Texas House of Representatives. Outside of his political career, Middleton is the president of Middleton Oil Company. Middleton has self-funded the majority of his campaign, investing more than \$13 million.

Middleton consistently ranks among the **most conservative members in the legislature** and would work to defend conservative values as attorney general. Middleton sponsored and passed the Save Women's Sports Act, which prohibits men from competing in women's collegiate sports. In 2025, he sponsored and passed a bill that allows schools to set aside class time for prayer and Bible study. Middleton has tied himself to President Trump calling himself "MAGA Mayes" within his campaign ads.

Middleton supports overturning the US Supreme Court decision in Plyler v. Doe that gives **undocumented students** access to public education, calling the court's decision "terrible."

Election integrity is a top priority for Middleton. He plans to increase enforcement of Texas' Voter ID Laws to ensure only legally qualified US citizens vote in elections. He passed legislation that would allow the attorney general's office to take on election fraud cases without waiting for permission from a local prosecutor.

Middleton would push for greater **transparency** in the attorney general's office. He named making open records widely accessible as a top priority, claiming they are important to fight fraud, waste, and abuse.

On **public safety**, Middleton has stated he will sue sanctuary cities and enforce President Trump's border security agenda and deportation orders. He supports **zero-tolerance policies for violent crime** and will implement stronger bonds for dangerous offenders. He will also increase penalties and consequences for district attorneys who refuse to enforce state law.

Middleton states that he will **protect oil and gas jobs**. He is a strong opponent of the Biden administration's Green New Deal and has a history of fighting against various provisions of the package. In 2025, he sponsored a bill that would have significantly limited offshore wind projects. He also sent a letter to the Biden administration in 2022 opposing a wind farm off the Galveston coast, alluding to potential negative effects for residents.

Trivia: Outside of his day job at Middleton Oil Company, he runs ranching, cattle, and farming operations.