

## Senator Troy Balderson

### 20<sup>th</sup> Senate District

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Senator Troy Balderson is currently serving his first term in the Ohio Senate, representing the 20th District, which encompasses all of Fairfield, Guernsey, Hocking, Morgan, and Muskingum Counties, as well as portions of Athens and Pickaway Counties. He is currently the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Public Utilities. With the great influx of attention being directed to Ohio's energy industry, Senator Balderson oversees policy initiatives for one of the fastest growing sectors of our economy.

In addition to his committee leadership responsibilities, Senator Balderson serves as a member of the Government Oversight and Reform Committee, Insurance Committee, Education Committee, and the Finance Education Subcommittee. He is also a member of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, and a co-chair of the Energy Mandates Study Committee.

Prior to joining the Ohio Senate, Balderson served in the Ohio House of Representatives, where he served on the House Finance Committee, and also presided as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Agriculture and Natural Resources. Through these positions, he has played an important role in developing policies that encourage job creation while putting Ohio back on a path to fiscal stability without raising taxes.

Born and raised in southeastern Ohio, Senator Balderson graduated from Zanesville High School in 1980 and attended both Muskingum College and The Ohio State University. In the spring of 2015, he was inducted into the Zanesville City Schools Hall of Fame and received an honorary degree from Zane State College.



Senator Balderson was awarded the 2014 North Star Award for Distinguished Service to Youth by the Boy Scouts of America for his exemplary service as a State Senator. Additionally, Balderson has received the Friend of Agriculture Award on multiple occasions. He is active in the community as a member of the Genesis Health Care Advisory Board, the Cattleman's Association, the Muskingum County Farm Bureau, the Ohio Township Association, the Ohio Sportsman's Caucus, and the Ohio Broadband and Technology Caucus. He is also a member of the Fairfield County, Muskingum County, and Pickerington Chambers of Commerce.

Senator Balderson is a former member of the Muskingum County Business Incubator Board, was the co-founder of Appalachia Outdoor Adventures, and has served as an elder at the First Christian Church. He also serves as a member of the Energy Supply Task Force at the National Conference of State Legislators.