

Senator Joe Uecker

14th Senate District

Senator Joe Uecker is serving his first term in the Ohio Senate, having previously served four terms in the Ohio House of Representatives. He represents the 14th District, which encompasses Adams, Brown, Clermont, and Scioto Counties as well as a portion of Lawrence County. He currently serves as Chairman of the Standing Committee on State and Local Government, Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, Broadband and Technology Caucus and the Ohio Senate Sportsmen's Caucus and as a member of the Ohio Aerospace and Aviation Technology Committee. Senator Uecker is also a member of the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Criminal Justice, Energy and Natural Resources, Public Utilities, Medicaid and the Standing Committee on Transportation, Commerce and Labor, as well as the Finance Subcommittee on Corrections.

A Certified Public Manager since 2001, Senator Uecker has a wide range of leadership experience in both the private and public sectors. He began his career in public service as a police officer, a position he held for 15 years. He has also served as the Administrator for the Clermont County Engineer's Office as well as a Miami Township Trustee.

A primary goal of his term in the Ohio Senate is to continue creating a jobs-friendly environment in Ohio. As a former small business owner, Senator Uecker understands how to foster an economic environment that allows businesses to grow and create increased employment opportunities.

Senator Uecker has been widely recognized for his public service and has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors including, four-time recipient of the Watchdog of the Treasury Award from the United Conservatives of Ohio, Cincinnati Moeller High School Distinguished Alumni Award, and the Friend of Agriculture Award from the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation. Additionally, Senator Uecker has received the AMVETS Civil Servant Legislative Award and been named the Legislator of the Year by the VFW of Ohio Charities, the League of Ohio Sportsmen and by Technology for Ohio's Tomorrow.

Senator Uecker remains actively involved in numerous community organizations, including the Greater Cincinnati Right to Life and Ohio Right to Life, Clermont County Chamber of Commerce, Clermont County Farm Bureau, Ohio Farm Bureau and National Rifle Association (Life Member). He remains an honorary member of the Pregnancy Center of Clermont County Board of Directors. He has been active with the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucus.



An avid outdoorsman and certified NRA pistol instructor, he has taught hunter safety courses with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife Division. In his free time he enjoys hunting, fishing, golf, and playing guitar.

Volunteering in the community is also very important to Senator Uecker. Having dedicated quite a bit of time to the Boy Scouts of America, he has served as Cub Scout Den Leader, Assistant Scout Master, and Merit Badge Counselor. He also served as the area chairman for the Boy Scouts "Friends of Scouting" fundraising campaign in 2001 and 2002.

Senator Uecker holds a B.A. in Public Administration from Northern Kentucky University and an Associates Degree from the University of Cincinnati. He currently resides in Miami Township in Clermont County, where he has spent his entire life. He and his wife Patti have four children and six grandchildren.