

# STATE SENATOR SPENCER DEERY

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State Sen. Spencer Deery was elected to the Indiana State Senate in 2022, following his first bid for any elected office. Deery represents Senate District 23, which includes Fountain, Parke, Vermillion and Warren counties and portions of Montgomery and Tippecanoe counties.

He serves the Senate committees on Commerce and Technology, Education and Career Development, Health and Provider Services, and Utilities. He also represents Indiana on the Midwest Higher Education Compact (MHEC) executive committee, which aims to promote best practices and cost-sharing opportunities among Midwestern public universities.

Deery grew up in a rural community as the son of an elementary school principal and a public school teacher. He and his wife, Julia, have been married for nearly two decades and have made their home in Tippecanoe County, where they are raising three school-aged children. Julia is the director of a large preschool in West Lafayette and leads a women's organization at the family's church.

Deery worked in the President's Office of Purdue University from 2011 to 2022, including service as deputy chief of staff and a communications and public policy advisor to Mitch Daniels. He now works as a special assistant for Purdue University Global and the Purdue Research Foundation.

He previously worked as a communications and public policy research aide in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington D.C., as well as in the private sector in marketing and strategic communications.

Deery speaks fluent Spanish and holds a bachelor's degree in communications with minors in business and political science, and a master's degree from the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration at The George Washington University, where he graduated at the top of the class.

Deery grew up active in Boy Scouts and went on to become an Eagle Scout. He credits this experience with giving him a strong belief in the American experiment, the wisdom of the U.S. Constitution and the importance of duty, honor and integrity. He currently volunteers as a youth sports coach and is active in his church.

