

# STATE SENATOR ERIC KOCH

## SENATE DISTRICT 44



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## BIOGRAPHY

State Sen. Eric Koch has served Senate District 44 since 2016. The district includes Brown, Jackson, Lawrence and Orange counties and a portion of Monroe County. Before his election to the Indiana State Senate, Koch served District 65 in the Indiana House of Representatives from 2002-2016.

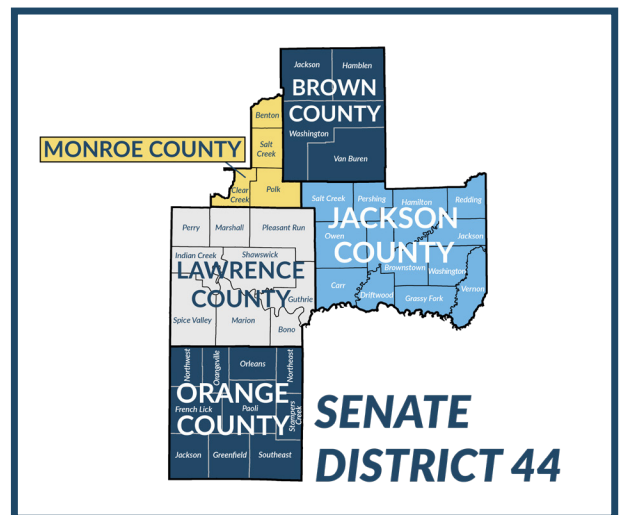
Koch serves as chairman of the Senate Committee on Utilities, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Technology, and as a member of the Senate Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law. He also serves on the Indiana Supreme Court's Commercial Courts Committee, Indiana Commission on Court Appointed Attorneys and the Indiana Probate Code Study Commission.

Professionally, Koch is Of Counsel with Gutwein Law. He represents Indiana as a commissioner on the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Koch also serves as a member of the NCSL Executive Committee, the Indiana Geological and Water Survey Advisory Council, National Council on Electricity Policy's Executive Committee, the Council of State Governments' Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee, and on the Boards of Directors of Mid-Southern Savings Bank, FSB and its holding company, Mid-Southern Bancorp, Inc.

From 2018-2022, Koch served as a member of the Consumer Advisory Committee at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

He was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by Gov. Mike Pence and a Kentucky Colonel by Gov. Ernie Fletcher.

Koch and his wife, Connie, have three adult sons and live in Bedford.



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### EDUCATION & AWARDS

Koch is a graduate of Georgetown University (BS) and the Indiana University School of Law (JD). He has done post-graduate work at the Indiana University McKinney School of Law (Civil Mediation Certificate), Southern Methodist University (Certificate, Community Bank Directors Program) and the University of Idaho's College of Business and Economics (Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy Planning).

During Koch's service in the Indiana General Assembly, he has received the following awards.

- Commitment to Rural Water Excellence Award, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water (2022)
- Guardian of Small Business Award from the National Federation of Independent Businesses (2019)
- Legislative Excellence Award from the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council (2018 and 2021)
- Legislative Service Award from Indiana Municipal Power Agency (2017)
- Champion of Justice Award from the Indiana Judges Association (2016)
- Senator of the Year by Aviation Indiana (2020)
- Legislator of the Year by ARC of Indiana (2019)
- Indiana Chapter of the National Association of Water Companies (2018)
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving (2017)
- Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association (2015)
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association (2008 and 2015)
- Indiana Telecommunication Association (2011)
- Outstanding Achievement in State Tax Reform Award (2015)
- Champion of Indiana's Electric Cooperatives (2015)
- Randall T. Shepard Award from the Indiana Pro Bono Commission (2012)
- Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District (2010)
- President's Award from the Southern Indiana Center for Independent Living (2006 and 2008)
- Legislative Leadership Award from Indiana Rural Health Association (2006)
- Government Leadership Award from the Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce (2005)



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