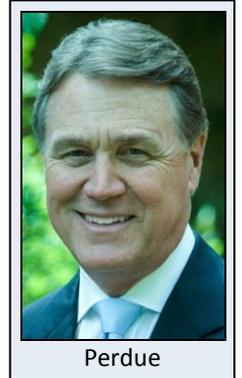


NAME: David A. Perdue
PARTY: Republican
SEEKING: U.S. Senate Seat



Why are you seeking your office?

I have never run for office before now. However, I'm running for U.S. Senate because I am truly concerned about the direction of our country. America is at a crossroads. Some say that our great nation's best days are behind us, but I know if we take bold action right now we can usher in the next wave of record U.S. economic growth and start solving the problems the career politicians have created. It's going to take a political outsider with the right experience to change Washington.

What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

I believe career politicians have created a full-blown financial crisis in Washington. Years of reckless spending by Democrats and Republicans, as well as overreaching federal government policies like Obamacare, are suppressing our economy. My top priorities are getting the government regulators off the backs of job creators, eliminating wasteful government spending, and fighting for term limits. I want to help restore the Founders' vision of citizen legislators that go to Washington, solve the issues of the day, and then return home to allow new voices an opportunity for public service.

What distinguishes your candidacy?

I have 41 years of experience working in the real world. As CEO of the Reebok athletic brand and Dollar General stores, I learned what it takes to compete in the global economy and saw how bad government policies burden job creators. With only about 10 U.S. Senators having any measure of business experience, I will provide valuable insight in Washington. The four professional politicians in this race have been in elected office for 63 years. If they were going to make a difference, they would have done it already.

What are the key issues in your race?

We have a limited window of opportunity to preserve our free market system that made America the beacon of hope and opportunity for the world. We must rein in out-of-control spending, turn back overreaching government, restore the rule of law, and adhere to constitutional principles. Simply put, we need to get back to the basics that made America great before it's too late. I have been dealing with wrongheaded government policies while working across the United States and around the world. I believe it is critical to have elected officials who understand the impact of the laws they pass.

Pick one issue. Expand on how you will address it.

At an event in Atlanta, four former Secretaries of Defense said that our \$17 trillion national debt is the greatest threat to our national security. If we don't get our massive federal debt under control, our very way of life is at risk. The good news is we have an economy that is just waiting to be unleashed. We can reform the tax code, use congressional oversight to fend off regulators, and repeal wrongheaded policies like Obamacare and Dodd-Frank. With the right leadership, we can grow our way out of the hole politicians dug for us.

Give a 100 word summary of your background.

I grew up the son of two public school teachers in Middle Georgia. While attending college, I worked construction and warehouse jobs to pay the bills. After graduation, I joined a consulting firm that primarily helped small American manufacturers grow their businesses. Eventually, I helped grow some of America's most recognizable companies including Sara Lee, Haggard, and Reebok. As CEO of Dollar General, I oversaw our major nationwide store expansion, which created thousands of quality jobs. After nearly four decades in business, I settled back in Georgia with my wife Bonnie, whom I met in first grade.