

Biography of
THE HONORABLE KEITH M. INGRAM
ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR



SENATE MINORITY LEADER
CHAIRMAN – 2014 SOUTHERN LEGISLATIVE
CONFERENCE
SENATE DISTRICT 24

Arkansas State Senator Keith M. Ingram represents Senate District 24, which includes Crittenden County and parts of Cross, Lee, Phillips and St. Francis Counties. He is serving his first term in the Senate. For the current 89th General Assembly, he serves as Senate Minority Leader and chairman of the 2014 Southern Legislative Conference, which will be hosted in Little Rock next year. His other leadership positions include vice chair of both the Senate Insurance & Commerce Committee and Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) Review. He holds membership on the following committees: Senate Judiciary; Joint Performance Review (JPR); Senate Efficiency; Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC); Legislative Facilities; Legislative Joint Auditing; ALC-Claims Review; Legislative Joint Auditing–State Agencies; ALC-PEER and ALC-Game & Fish/State Police.

Regionally and nationally, Senator Ingram works with legislators across the country as a member of National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), the Council of State Governments (CSG) and the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC). With NCSL, he serves on the Law & Criminal Justice Standing Committee and sits on the Annual Meeting Committee for CSG. In addition to serving as 2014 chairman of the Southern Legislative Conference, he sits on the Energy & Environment Committee.

Senator Ingram has been involved in public service for decades. In 2008, he was elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives and served two consecutive terms. He also served as mayor of West Memphis, Arkansas, from 1987 to 1994.

During his political career, he has been recognized by many organizations and groups:

- 2011 Legislator of the Year, Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault
- 2011 Statesmanship Award, Arkansas Hospital Association
- 2011 Distinguished Legislator Award, Arkansas Municipal League
- 2011 – Recognized by the National Athletic Trainers Association at the national Summit for his efforts on Act 1214 of 2011
- 2010 Distinguished Award of Merit, Chickasaw Council of Boy Scouts of America
- 2010 Silver Beaver Award, Boy Scouts of America
- 2009 Public health Hero, Arkansas Public Health Association
- 2009 Distinguished Legislator Award, Arkansas Municipal League

Professionally, Ingram is vice president of Razorback Concrete and has been active with several professional, community and civic organizations including:

- Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame, Board of Directors
- West Memphis Chamber of Commerce, President (four terms) and Board of Directors (five terms)
- Memphis Regional Logistics Council
- Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on Regional Medical Center (Memphis)
- Memphis Redbirds AAA Baseball Foundation (Chairman, three terms)
- Arkansas Delta Council, Founding Member
- Crittenden Regional Hospital, Chairman
- Methodist Hospitals (Memphis), Board of Trustees
- Athletic Training Taskforce, Chairman
- National Ready Mix Concrete Association Board

Born in West Memphis, Senator Ingram received his B.S. in Secondary Education from the University of Mississippi. An avid hunter, fisherman and golfer, Senator Ingram is a member of the First United Methodist Church in West Memphis.