

*Biography of*  
**THE HONORABLE GREGORY B. STANDRIDGE**  
**ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR**



**CO-CHAIRMAN – RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS STUDY  
COMMITTEE**  
**SENATE DISTRICT 16**

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Senator Gregory B. Standridge represents Senate District 16, which is comprised of Newton and Pope Counties and parts of Boone, Carroll and Van Buren Counties. Elected in a special election in 2015, he is co-chairman of the Rural Fire Departments Study Committee. During the 90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, he is a member of Senate Transportation, Technology and Legislative Affairs; Senate City, County and Local Affairs; Senate Children and Youth; Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission Oversight; Intermodal Transportation and Commerce Task Force; Economic and Tax Policy and Boys State.

Regionally and nationally, Senator Standridge works with legislators across the United States as a member of the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC), the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), the Council of State Governments (CSG) and the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC). He is a member of the Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of SLC, the Labor and Economic Development Standing Committee of NCSL, the Energy and Environmental Public Policy Task Force of CSG and the Commerce, Insurance and Economic Development Task Force of ALEC.

Professionally, Standridge is an insurance agent and president of CSI Insurance. He is a past president of both the Independent Insurance Agents of Arkansas (2012-13) and the Professional Insurance Agents of Arkansas (1998-99). Civically, he is past president of the 911 Board and the Russellville Football Booster Club. He has also served on the Workforce Investment Board, the Pope County Fair Board, the Arkansas Teen Challenge Women's Ministry Board and as a constable.

He is a member of the Russellville Lions Club and the Russellville & London Masonic Lodge. Standridge is a volunteer fireman and a member of the Pope County EMS Rescue Squad and he has been recognized by many organizations and groups:

- Lion of the Year
- Melvin Jones Fellow
- PIA Volunteer of the Year (2003)
- Young Agent of the Year (2000), IIAA
- Agent of the Year (1997) - American Association of Managing General Agents

A native of Russellville, Senator Standridge attended Arkansas Tech University. He and wife, Karen, have four children and are members of the First Baptist Church of Russellville.