



## Theodore F. Stevens

**Party:** Republican • **Chamber:** Senate

**State:** AK

**Service:** 1967–2009

**Most recent Congress:** 110

### Biography

A Senator from Alaska. Born in Indianapolis, Marion County, Ind. , November 18, 1923. Attended Oregon State College and Montana State College. Graduated, University of California, Los Angeles 1947. Graduated, Harvard Law School 1950. Served in the United States Army Air Corps in the Second World War in China 1943-1946. Admitted to the bar in California in 1950, to the District of Columbia bar in 1951, and to the Alaska bar in 1957. Practiced law in Fairbanks, Alaska 1953. Legislative counsel, Department of Interior, Washington, D. C. , 1956. Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior 1958. Chief counsel, Department of the Interior 1960. Returned to Anchorage, Alaska, in 1961 and practiced law. Elected to State house of representatives in 1964. Reelected in 1966, serving as speaker pro tempore and majority leader. Appointed on December 24, 1968, as a Republican to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E. L. Bartlett, and was subsequently elected in a special election on November 3, 1970, to complete the unexpired term ending January 3, 1973. Reelected in 1972, 1978, 1984, 1990, 1996 and 2002, and served from December 24, 1968, to January 3, 2009. Republican whip (1977-1985). President pro tempore (2003-2007). Chair, Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee (Ninety-fourth Congress), Select Committee on Ethics (Ninety-eighth and Ninety-ninth Congresses), Committee on Rules and Administration (One Hundred Fourth Congress [January 3, 1995-September 12, 1995]). Committee on Governmental Affairs (One Hundred Fourth Congress [September 12, 1995-January 2, 1997]), Committee on Appropriations (One Hundred Fifth and One Hundred Sixth Congresses, One Hundred Seventh Congress [January 20, 2001-June 6, 2001], One Hundred Eighth Congress). Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation (One Hundred Ninth Congress). Indicted by a federal grand jury on July 29, 2008, for allegedly making false statements on financial disclosure forms. Case dismissed on April 7, 2009, at request of government because prosecutors concealed evidence of innocence. Unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 2008. Died in a plane crash on August 9, 2010. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

### Legislative Activity (1967–2009)

**Bills sponsored:** 111

**Bills cosponsored:** 774

## Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
110 S 3696	Alaska Timber Industry Fairness Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. Updated Nov 19, 2008
110 S 1000	Telework Enhancement Act of 2007	By Senator Lieberman from Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs filed written repo Updated Nov 19, 2008
110 SRES 696	A resolution designating September 2008 as "National Youth Court Month".	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Updated Sep 30, 2008
110 S 3491	Telehealth for America Act of 2008	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Updated Sep 16, 2008
110 S 3333	Whaling Convention Amendments Act of 2008	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Updated Jul 24, 2008

## Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
110 SRES 196	A resolution commending Idaho on winning the bid to host the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games.	Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text as Updated Dec 10, 2008
110 S 431	KIDS Act of 2008	Became Public Law No: 110-400. Updated Oct 13, 2008
110 S 1738	PROTECT Our Children Act of 2008	Became Public Law No: 110-401. Updated Oct 13, 2008
110 S 3598	Drug Trafficking Vessel Interdiction Act of 2008	Became Public Law No: 110-407. Updated Oct 13, 2008
110 S 2162	Veterans' Mental Health and Other Care Improvements Act of 2008	Became Public Law No: 110-387. Updated Oct 10, 2008