

News From State Representative Roger Eddy

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Eddy Declares Candidacy for 110th District State Representative

Hutsonville....State Representative Roger Eddy (R – Hutsonville) announced this week that he will seek the Republican nomination for the 110th District State Representative in the March 2012 Primary. Eddy recently won election to his fifth consecutive term as State Representative in the 109th Legislative District which is made up of Lawrence, Crawford, Clark, Cumberland, most of Edgar and parts of Wabash, Effingham and Shelby Counties in east-central Illinois.

In addition to serving in the Illinois House for the past nine years, Representative Eddy has been an educator for more than 30 years and is seen as an educational leader in the General Assembly. Currently, he is the Minority spokesman on the Elementary and Secondary Education Appropriations Committee. He is also Co-Chair of the National Education Advisory Committee for the National Council of State Governments and serves on numerous statewide education committees. He is one of the chief co-sponsors of the historic education reform bill (SB7) that was recently signed into law in Illinois. In addition, Representative Eddy has worked hard to pass conceal and carry legislation during his career in the Illinois House and was co-sponsor of HB148 during the spring session.

With new legislative boundaries taking effect for the 2013 term, Eddy says he is excited to have the opportunity to represent Coles County. The new 110th district will include a large portion of the 109th district including part of Lawrence County including the city of Lawrenceville, all of Crawford, Clark and Cumberland Counties and a small portion of southwestern Edgar County. In addition, the 110th district will include all of Coles County.

“It has been a privilege to serve the people of the 109th district in Springfield,” Eddy said. “I look forward to the opportunity to share my message of fiscal responsibility, my commitment to the Second Amendment, a high quality affordable education, and traditional pro-life family values with voters in the newly created 110th district.”

Eddy has already garnered endorsements from State Representative Chapin Rose and State Senator Dale Righter.

“Roger and I came into the legislature together in 2003. We have worked together to pass laws and solve problems for constituents in south central and south eastern Illinois. We served together on the panel that recommended the impeachment of former Governor Rod Blagojevich. He is an expert in education issues in the House and has worked hard on rural problems like the meth epidemic we faced several years ago. I am endorsing Roger in this race because I believe his experience and leadership will prove to be as valuable for his new district as it has been for his current one,” Rep. Chapin Rose said.

55th District State Senator Dale Righter is currently Rep. Eddy's associated Senator in the legislature. Righter says Eddy has the right combination of values and experiences to continue his work in the House of Representatives.

"I've known Roger for a long time, and I trust his judgment on issues of importance for the constituents we currently represent. Roger has risen to a position of leadership in the House because of his ability to build consensus and because he is a man of his word. The citizens of the newly created 110th district will be well served to have him as their State Representative," Righter said.

"I am humbled and honored to have the support of these leaders," Rep. Eddy said. "I am committed to making Illinois a better place to live and work and I will continue to work to earn the trust of the voters in the newly created 110th district. Illinois has major problems to solve and I feel that with the support of Rep. Rose and Senator Righter, I can make a successful run for 110th District State Representative and continue to make a positive difference in the lives of my constituents."

He and his wife Rebecca reside in rural Hutsonville where they have raised 5 children and they also have 2 grandchildren.

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