



SISTER DISTRICT
PROJECT

Liz Hanbidge

PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 61

SISTER DISTRICT POLICY SCORECARD

This candidate has pledged commitment to the following statements:

- ✓ We must protect a **woman's right to choose** the health care and reproductive services she wants and needs.
- ✓ We need to protect and expand our **social safety net**, not dismantle it.
- ✓ We should pursue **common-sense gun safety** policies, consistent with the Second Amendment and local community standards and needs, which vary from community to community.
- ✓ Climate change is real and we need to **protect our environment**.

TIMELINE & VOTER INFO

Election Day: November 6, 2018

Last day to register:

30 days prior to Election Day. Pennsylvania has online voter registration: register.votespa.com

Vote by mail / absentee voting: Voters must [apply for absentee ballots](#).

Voter IDs: Not required.

Nested Congressional Districts: 4; 1

BACKGROUND

Lawyer by day. Advocate for life. As a business owner and child advocate, Liz is a proven fighter for families and children. Shortly after law school, she left corporate law to start her own practice in Montgomery County serving families, small businesses and non-profits, and began devoting significant pro



bono time to fighting for families and children in our community. Liz spends a majority of her professional time to being a child advocate and court appointed guardian for children in the Montgomery County working with the Montgomery Child Advocacy Project (MCAP). She works with police, the Office of Children and Youth, parents, as well as judges and lawyers to help protect families and children.

Liz is running for State Representative because she believes that now, more than ever, the 61st district needs a new voice in Harrisburg. For too long, politicians in Harrisburg have ignored their constituents, and Liz has spent her career working with the families and children most harmed by Harrisburg's apathy. She's running because someone needs to be their voice in Harrisburg.

ABOUT THE DISTRICT

64k residents live in the district. 80% of the population is voting age. The population is 92% White, 6% Black, and 2% hispanic.

WHY IS THIS RACE IMPORTANT?

All 203 seats in the General Assembly (GA) are up for election in 2018. Republicans control 119 seats of 203 seats, and have controlled the GA since 2011. 18 seats in the GA voted for Clinton, but are represented by a GOP legislator.

Pennsylvania has been critical to the “Blue Wall,” of Democratic Presidential candidates and up until 2016, had voted Democrat since 1988.

Pennsylvania is an important place to engage new voters and win back old Democratic voters who veered into Trump’s camp due to his “support,” for unions and trade protection. Pennsylvania has many legacy industries and strong unions in coal, steel, and energy extraction. Pennsylvania’s legislature, due to its geographic location and population size, has a lot of responsibility for environmental quality issues such as Great Lakes health and Chesapeake Bay Health. Pennsylvania also has very important Congressional, Senate, and Statewide elections in 2018 where they’ll be choosing AGs, Governors (D-Incumbent), Senator (D-incumbent), and Congressional representatives.

Lastly, and most importantly, Trump won PA by a mere 70k votes out of over 6 million votes cast. Had Democrats been able to overcome this narrow margin—and even narrower margins in Michigan and Wisconsin—we may not have a Trump presidency. The path to 270 in 2020 starts with Democratic gains in our Blue Wall states in 2018.

REDISTRICTING IN PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania’s legislative and congressional districting is a masterclass in partisan gerrymandering. The Pennsylvania State Supreme Court struck down multiple GOP-led Congressional redistricting maps due to their gerrymander. The State Supreme Court finally approved a map for PA’s congressional districts.

CANDIDATE LINKS

SDP ActBlue: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/sdp-pa-hanbidge>

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