



SHORT BIOGRAPHY

Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. is serving his sixteenth term in the U.S. House of Representatives, representing Middle and Southwest Georgia's Second Congressional District. A leader among the fiscally responsible Democrats in Congress, Congressman Bishop has served on the House Committee on Appropriations since 2003.

In addition to being the Ranking Member of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee, Congressman Bishop also serves as the Co-Chair of the Congressional Military Family Caucus, a senior member of the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee, and a senior member of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee.

Bishop was first elected to Congress in 1992 after serving in the Georgia House of Representatives from 1977 to 1990 and in the Georgia Senate from 1991-1992.

Bishop graduated from Morehouse College in 1968 and from Emory University Law School in 1971. He is an Eagle Scout, a 33rd Degree Mason (PHA), a Shriner, and a Life Member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, and a Deacon and Trustee of the Mount Zion Baptist Church of Albany. He enlisted into the U.S. Army in 1969 and successfully completed basic training at Fort Moore (then Ft. Benning), Georgia. He then enrolled in Advanced Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) training and later received an Honorable Discharge in 1971.

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