

Short Biography

Updated 10/1/20

Senator Henry Stern is a sixth-generation Californian and native of the greater Los Angeles area who has represented the nearly one million residents of the 27th Senate District since first being elected to serve the 27th Senate District in November 2016.

Stern has chaired the Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee since 2018, where he has worked tirelessly to bolster the state's wildfire preparedness, push to have the state address the climate change emergency, improve our democracy and fight to help some of California's most vulnerable members. He also sits on the Senate's Budget, Judiciary, Environmental Quality, Elections & Constitutional Amendments, and Energy, Utilities & Communications committees.

Since first taking office, Stern has focused his legislative attention in four main areas:

- Attacking climate change and increasing the use of renewable energy.
- Improving the state's wildfire prevention policies and giving homeowners the tools to protect themselves when fires do break out.
- Strengthening our democracy by establishing paths to voter access, fighting against misinformation, and encouraging civics education.
- Helping vulnerable populations, including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, the elderly, and victims of human trafficking.

A former educator and environmental attorney, Stern received his undergraduate degree from Harvard University and earned his law degree at UC Berkeley. Born in 1982, Stern lives in Los Angeles County with his wife, Alexandra Stern, whom he married in 2019.