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## In the Palmetto State, David Beasley Seeks Open Senate Seat

*David Beasley, Senate candidate from South Carolina for Hollings' open seat,  
signs the Americans for Tax Reform's "No New Taxes" Pledge.*

**WASHINGTON** –David Beasley, candidate for open South Carolina Senate seat, signed the Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) Taxpayer Protection Pledge, committing him to “oppose any and all efforts to increase the marginal income tax rates for individuals and/or businesses...and oppose any net reduction or elimination of deductions and credits, unless matched dollar for dollar by further reducing taxes.” ATR has offered the Pledge to all federal candidates since 1987.

Current South Carolina pledge signers include Representatives Henry Brown, Joe Wilson, J. Gresham Barrett, and Jim DeMint, and Senator Lindsey Graham. [For more pledge related information or a more complete list of national Pledge signers, please visit the ATR website at [http://www.ATR.org/pdffiles/national\\_signers\\_incumbent.pdf](http://www.ATR.org/pdffiles/national_signers_incumbent.pdf).] To date, President George W. Bush, 42 U.S. Senators and 217 members of the U.S. House of Representatives have taken the Pledge. Additionally, eight governors and over 1,190 state Senators and Representatives have made this commitment to their taxpayers.

**“South Carolinians should be proud of David Beasley and his proven record as both a legislator and governor,”** said taxpayer advocate and president of Americans for Tax Reform (ATR), Grover Norquist. **“He is standing up for families, businesses, and all hard-working people of the state by committing herself to a fiscally responsible term in Congress.”**

David Beasley has been a public figure or elected official in South Carolina for over 25 years, first as a member in the State House and then was elected as governor in 1994. During his gubernatorial administration, the largest tax cut in South Carolina’s history was enacted, creating more than 100,000 jobs and \$22 billion in private investment.

**“Signing the Pledge shows Mr. Beasley’s willingness to show his dedication to taxpayers in South Carolina and across the country,”** continued Norquist. **“I encourage all federal and state candidates to commit to leading responsibly, showing their allegiance to their states and country.”**

For inquiries about the Pledge, please visit [www.ATR.org](http://www.ATR.org) or call (202) 785-0266.

Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all federal, state and local tax increases. For more information or to arrange an interview, please contact Jonathan Collegio at (202) 785-0266 or at [jcollegio@ATR.org](mailto:jcollegio@ATR.org).