



PRIME-ARY PERSPECTIVE: DELAWARE

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DELAWARE



Small in size and minuscule in the number of races that will be competitive in November, Delaware held its primary last night. With no gubernatorial race and its only House seat considered to be safely in Democratic hands, the state's Senate race was the only one that generated much interest at all. However, the Democratic primary failed to deliver the expected drama, as the incumbent handily beat his progressive challenger, and will almost certainly prevail in November.

SENATE



The Cook Political Report rates Delaware as a solid Democratic seat and in the 2016 presidential election Hillary Clinton defeated President Trump by 11 points. The race is considered by the Cook Political Report to be "Solid Democratic."

Incumbent Senator Tom Carper defeated Kerri Evelyn Harris winning with 65% of the vote. Carper received support from the state's two largest labor unions and gun safety group Giffords. Carper has been in the Senate since 2001 and is a heavy favorite to win in November.

Rob Arlett defeated former PayPal executive Eugene Truono to win the Republican nomination ending up with 67% of the vote. Arlett is a Sussex county councilmen and former Trump state campaign chair. He will face an uphill battle to win this historically Democratic seat.

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