



# Quarterly Newsletter

1ST QUARTER 2022

## A Message from Truck PAC Chairman

Thank you for your continued support in Truck PAC. We are now into 2022 – an election year and a new year for PAC contributions. For the first time since 2014, Truck PAC surpassed half a million dollars in contributions from trucking industry leaders! I am confident we can continue this momentum and be a Million Dollar PAC! We are off to a great start in 2022!



In this quarterly newsletter, you'll see not only the Truck PAC financials, but you'll also read the latest Inside Elections by Nathan Gonzales that features an updated analysis and polling for all 35 Senate races, as well as the Cook Political Report House race ratings chart.

Lastly, I hope to see you at ATA's Mid-Year Management Session meetings in Scottsdale, Arizona and the Truck PAC Reception & Dinner on Monday, May 16th.

Thank you for your steadfast support.

Sincerely,

Wes Davis  
Big M Transportation  
Truck PAC Chairman

## Legislative Update

Ed Gilroy, SVP, Legislative Affairs, American Trucking Associations

Following the Senate's confirmation of new Supreme Court Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson, Congress will begin work on annual appropriations, consider a \$10 billion COVID funding package, and negotiate a bipartisan bill to strengthen U.S. economic competitiveness with China. This work will likely not include further consideration of the Build Back Better Act, a major Democratic legislative priority, due to concerns about further contributing to inflation or slowing economic growth with new taxes and spending.

Over the next two months, Federal agency heads will testify before the House and Senate to justify their budget requests and the Appropriations Committees will produce spending bills for the fiscal year that begins October 1. The COVID funding bill will replenish testing, therapeutics, and vaccine supplies nationwide. The competitiveness package will strengthen domestic semiconductor supply chains, provide new funding for advanced scientific research and technology applications, and may include major reforms of U.S. maritime port regulations to protect American companies working at ports from unfair practices by foreign-owned ocean carriers.

Congress rarely takes up controversial bills in election years and will likely focus on partisan messaging rather than legislating until mid-November. ATA will continue to focus on implementing last year's infrastructure bill, including funding new truck parking, as well as advocating for lawsuit abuse reform and workforce development initiatives for trucking.

### PAC STATS

January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022

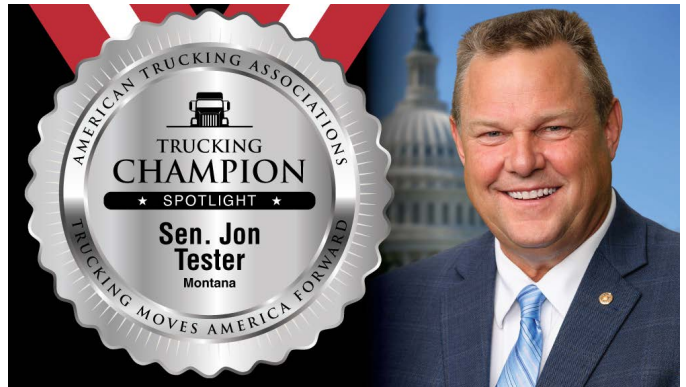
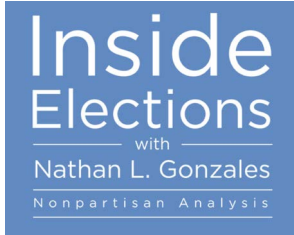
**Receipts ..... \$166,957.03**

**Disbursements ..... \$116,500.00**



# Election Landscape

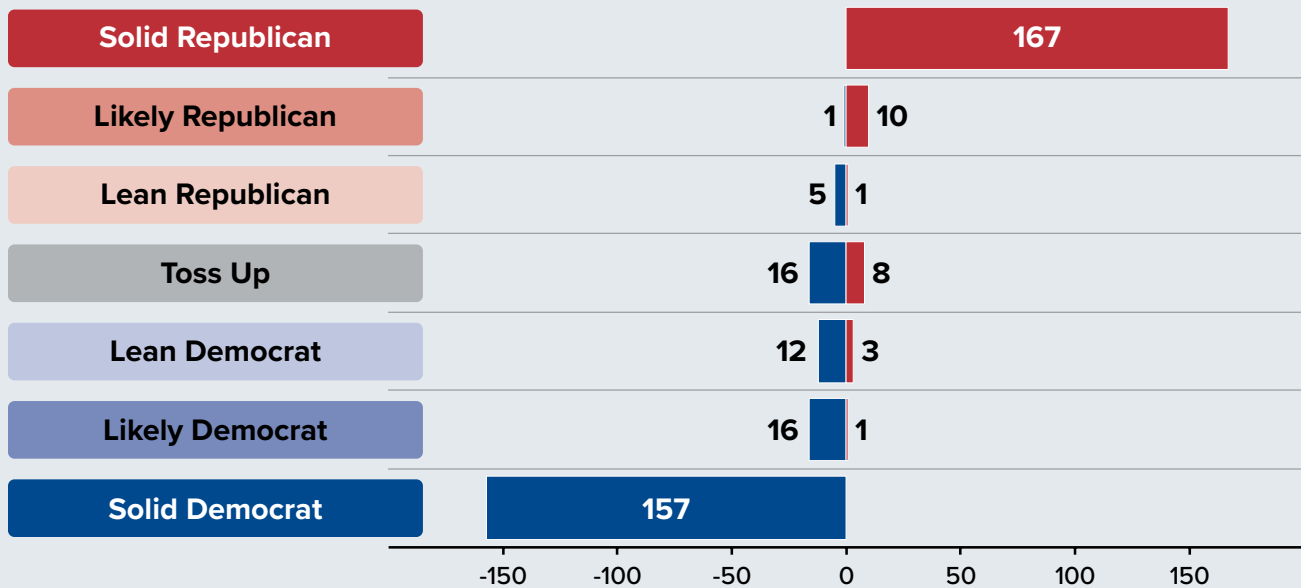
Click [here](#) for the latest issue of Nathan Gonzales' Inside Elections. This issue is a Senate Overview featuring updated analysis and polling in all 35 races, as well as an overall projection for the chamber. Republicans are most likely to gain 1-3 seats, which even the lowest end of the range would be enough for a majority. The edition also includes analysis of a House race in Rhode Island. It's a Democratic seat, but if it gets more competitive later this year, it could be a sign of a big year for the GOP.



As one of trucking's leading advocates in Congress, Sen. Tester advanced common-sense solutions to some of the industry's biggest challenges. Read more [here](#).

## Cook Political Report 2022 House Race Ratings

Note: For the 2022 cycle, The Cook Political Report with Amy Walter will issue its House ratings on a rolling basis as states finalize new redistricting maps. In new districts with no incumbent, the Cook Political Report's policy is to list the "incumbent party" according to the new district's estimated PVI score. As of April 18, 2022, ratings have been released for 397 districts in 47 states; **38 districts in 3 states (FL, MO, NH) are not yet rated.**



Source: The Cook Political Report with Amy Walter

**Trivia:** Who was the first Supreme Court Justice nominee to appear in person for public Senate confirmation hearings?