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Carper won't seek re-election in 2024

Senate Finance Committee member Tom Carper, D-Del., announced this week that he will not run for reelection in 2024 and will retire after the 118th Congress formally adjourns.

Carper was first elected to the Senate in 2000 after defeating Republican incumbent Sen. William Roth, who at the time was the Finance Committee chairman. He was appointed to his own seat on the taxwriting panel in 2009 and currently chairs the Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness. His service in the upper chamber follows five terms in the House of Representatives (from 1983-1993) and two terms as Delaware's governor (from 1993-2001).

Carper's pending retirement brings to three the number of Finance Committee Democrats in the 2024 election cycle who have ruled out another run for office. (Maryland Sen. Ben Cardin announced his retirement plans last month and Michigan Sen. Debbie Stabenow revealed hers in January.)

Other Democrats on the panel who are up for re-election in 2024 include Sens. Sherrod Brown of Ohio, Maria Cantwell of Washington, Bob Casey of Pennsylvania, Robert Menendez of New Jersey, Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, and Sheldon Whitehouse of Rhode Island. Only two Finance Committee Republicans—Sens. John Barrasso of Wyoming and Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee—face re-election next year.

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