

CARDIN, Benjamin Louis

1943–

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Representative, Senator

STATE/TERRITORY

Maryland

PARTY

Democrat



CONGRESS(ES)

100th (1987–1989), 101st (1989–1991), 102nd (1991–1993), 103rd (1993–1995), 104th (1995–1997), 105th (1997–1999), 106th (1999–2001), 107th (2001–2003), 108th (2003–2005), 109th (2005–2007), 110th (2007–2009), 111th (2009–2011), 112th (2011–2013), 113th (2013–2015), 114th (2015–2017), 115th (2017–2019), 116th (2019–2021), 117th (2021–2023), 118th (2023–2025)

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Concise Biography

CARDIN, Benjamin Louis, A Senator and a Representative from Maryland; born in Baltimore, Md., October 5, 1943; attended public schools; graduated from Baltimore City College, Baltimore, Md., 1961; B.A., University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1964; J.D., University of Maryland, Baltimore, Md., 1967; lawyer, private practice; member of the Maryland state house of delegates, 1966-1986, speaker, 1979-1986; elected as a Democrat to the One Hundredth and to the nine succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1987-January 3, 2007); one of the managers appointed by the House of Representatives in 1989 to conduct the impeachment proceedings against Walter L. Nixon, judge of the United States District Court for the District Court of Mississippi; not a candidate for reelection to the House of Representatives but was elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate in 2006; reelected in 2012, and again in 2018 and served from January 3, 2007, to January 3, 2025; chair, Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship (One Hundred Seventeenth and One Hundred Eighteenth Congresses [January 3, 2021-September 27, 2023]); Committee on Foreign Relations (One Hundred Eighteenth Congress [September 27, 2023-January 3, 2025]); was not a candidate for reelection to the Senate in 2024.

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Videocassettes: 1986-1994, 7 commercials on 5 videocassettes. The commercials were used during Benjamin Louis Cardin's campaigns for the 1986, 1988, 1990, and 1994 U.S. congressional elections in District 3 of Maryland, Democratic Party.

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