

Travis Couture: Olympia Indivisible Candidate Profile

Washington State Representative: Washington State has 49 legislative districts with 98 elected officials.

Position: Legislative District 35 (Position 2) candidate (Incumbent since 2023). Party: Republican

Background and Qualifications:

Education: Bachelor’s Degree in Organizational Leadership and Master’s Degree in Business Administration from Brandman University (now known as University of Massachusetts Global (UMass Global) 2021, a private, non-profit institution focused on adult education, online learning)

Couture has served as a Republican Washington State Representative for the 35th District since 2023. He serves as the Ranking Minority Member on the House Appropriations Committee. He is a U.S. Navy veteran, small business owner.

He and his wife, Julie, live in Allyn with their four children and own a small construction and manufacturing business in Shelton.

Campaign Funding Sources (Source: [Public Disclosure Commission](#), as of 06-8-2026)

Candidate	Contributions	Expenditures
Travis S. Couture (Travis Couture) *	\$30,519.71	\$6,847.76
Maria Dawn Littlesun (Maria Littlesun) *	\$6,062.82	\$0.00

Contributions made to candidate for 2026

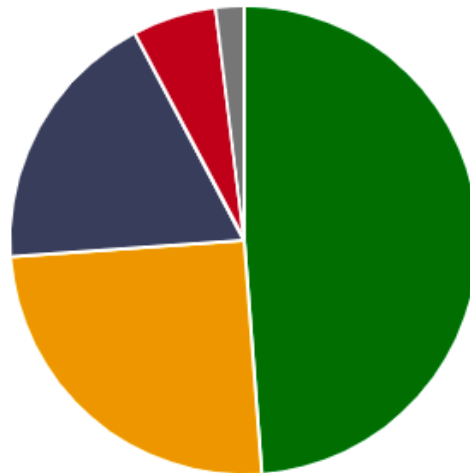
Business
\$14,900.00

Political Action Committee
\$7,650.00

Individual
\$5,605.82

Other
\$1,763.89

Union
\$600.00



Couture positions on these important issues:

- Against new state income tax or “millionaires” tax as unconstitutional
- Introduced HOUSE BILL 1092 in 2025/26 to allow earlier intervention in cases involving the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) left in homes where hard drug use like fentanyl is present. Did not pass.
- Opposes SB 5974, calling it the “Anti-Sheriff Bill,” arguing that it shifts authority from voters to a state commission.

- Disagrees with the denial of legislation on parents' rights and girls' sports by Democrats (anti-trans legislation).
- Against, Engrossed House Bill 2156 in Washington State (2025-26 session) which authorizes Attorney General's Office (AGO) investigators to be designated as "limited authority Washington peace officers" specifically for investigating economic/financial crimes, such as organized retail theft. Republicans expressed concerns regarding "mission creep" and the expansion of the AGO's investigative tools without sufficient independent oversight.
<https://www.theolympian.com/news/politics-government/article314937745.html>
- Co-sponsored bipartisan HB 1941, which directs the Washington Health Care Authority (HCA) to develop a state plan amendment so Washington can apply to implement the Advancing Care for Exceptional (ACE) Kids Act. The bill helps Medicaid-eligible children with chronic conditions. Couture has four children, three of whom have individualized education plans (IEPs).
<https://washingtonstatestandard.com/2024/03/20/meet-the-wa-republican-lawmaker-who-sounds-like-a-democrat/>

Committee assignments

2023-2024

Couture was assigned to the following Washington State Legislative committees:

- Appropriations Committee
- Education Committee
- Human Services, Youth, & Early Learning Committee

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