

# Lt. Governor Ron Ramsey

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## Lt. Governor Ramsey receives Statesman award from TN Home Education Association

(Nashville) – **Lt. Governor Ron Ramsey (R-Blountville)** today received the Statesman award from the Tennessee Home Education Association (THEA). The award was presented to Lt. Governor Ramsey at the War Memorial Auditorium in Nashville.

“A growing number of Tennessee parents are choosing to home school their children and I applaud their decision,” said Lt. Governor Ramsey. “The home school environment gives parents control over how their children are educated. I firmly believe parental choice and innovation are the keys to improving education in our state because every child is unique and should have the opportunity to find the best educational fit for their learning style.”

Lt. Governor Ramsey has long supported those who home school their children. In August of 2009, he became the first statewide official to announce support for placing a home school advocate on the state Board of Education.

The THEA is a volunteer organization formed in 1984 to preserve the rights of parents to direct the education of their children. Over 30,000 children in Tennessee are home-schooled. The THEA coordinates graduation ceremonies, teacher workshops, science fairs, field days and field trips and other activities for home educators across the state.

On the web:

<http://www.legislature.state.tn.us/senate/members/s2.htm>

<http://www.tnhea.org/>

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