

Sen. Don L. Ipson represents District 29 and has served in the Legislature since 2009, first in the House of Representatives before being appointed to the Senate in 2016. He chairs the Transportation and Infrastructure Appropriations Subcommittee and has focused on legislation related to Utah's tax code, small business and support for first responders and veterans.

Raised in southern Utah, Sen. Ipson attended Panguitch High School and earned an associate degree in accounting and business administration from the LDS Business College. He began his career in banking before founding DATS Trucking Inc., a family trucking business. He served as president of the Utah Trucking Association and the Southern Utah Trucking Association, and chaired the Utah College of Applied Technology. Sen. Ipson also founded Ernie's Too!, a fried chicken restaurant with locations around Utah.

Sen. Ipson is a long-time resident of St. George, where he and his late wife, JoAnn, raised their four sons. Today, he and his wife Kristan continue to call St. George home. When he is not at the Capitol, he enjoys working in his car garage and spending time with family.