Senator-Elect
BARRY MOORE
Republican from Alabama



Background on the Senator-elect's statements, positions, and record on diplomacy, international assistance, and U.S. international affairs programs.

A native Alabaman, three-term member of the U.S. House of Representatives, and a veteran of the Alabama National Guard and Reserves, Senator-Elect Barry Moore comes to the U.S. Senate advocating that "**peace through strength works**," and that "**the world is calmer when America leads with conviction and not confusion**."

Congressman Barry Moore joins the U.S. Senate after serving in the House since 2021, representing Alabama's 2nd Congressional District and, following redistricting, its 1st District. Before entering Congress, Moore served in the Alabama House of Representatives and was a small-business owner. He attended Enterprise State Community College and earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural science from Auburn University.

ON U.S. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE:

- In a September 2023 statement supporting the House State-Foreign Operations bill, Moore praised funding "to counter China, support Israel, increase oversight of taxpayer dollars that have been sent to Ukraine," alongside support for religious freedom programs abroad.
- In a June 2025 column, Moore endorsed eliminating USAID development funding, writing, "We're working with President Trump to eliminate $2.5 billion earmarked for foreign development assistance under USAID."
- Moore cosponsored legislation in February 2022 to suspend U.S. funding to the United Nations for two years and redirect the money toward a wall on the U.S.-Mexico border.

ON GLOBAL HEALTH:

- In a July 2025 column, Moore backed ending U.S. funding for the World Health Organization, saying the WHO "has consistently failed the American people and cozied up to the Chinese Communist Party."

ON GLOBAL ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT:

- In support of the July 2025 reconciliation bill, Moore applauded that "one of the biggest investments is reducing barriers through trade deals and investing in export promotion to sell more agricultural goods abroad."
- In a January 2023 statement on European Union restrictions on U.S. peanut exports, Moore said American farmers "must not be forced to suffer trade policies that disadvantage domestic producers."

ON THE GLOBAL COMPETITION WITH CHINA:

- Referring to China, Moore said that "America does not need to be dependent on one of our biggest enemies globally."

- In a January 2023 statement supporting the creation of the House China Select Committee, Moore said, "we are serious about challenging the CCP and holding them accountable for their actions on the world stage."
- In a September 2024 statement supporting sanctions on senior CCP leaders, Moore said, "Sanctioning the most trusted members of President Xi's inner circle condemns these atrocities and holds the CCP accountable," citing abuses involving Uyghurs, Taiwan, and Hong Kong.
- In a March 2025 statement, Moore called for recognizing Taiwan's right to govern itself, stating, "It is time for the United States to show the people of Taiwan that we recognize their right to self-governance."

ON RUSSIA'S WAR IN UKRAINE:

- Following the invasion of Ukraine, Moore declared the maneuver "unprovoked and evil," calling for the Administration to "hold Putin accountable for this heinous aggression."
- He cosponsored legislation directing proceeds from seized Russian assets toward humanitarian relief, rebuilding infrastructure, defense assistance, and supporting neighboring EU nations who take refugees, saying "it would only make sense that those assets be put towards assisting the Ukrainian people, who have already suffered so much."
- At the same time, Moore has opposed several major assistance packages for Ukraine including the 2024 Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act. He has expressed concerns about the cost and oversight of U.S. assistance, stating that "Ukraine is a young democracy, and we are sending American taxpayer money over there with no oversight."
- Following Russia's decision to sanction him in April 2022, Moore said, "it won't change my position that we need to continue supporting the Ukrainian people. It is in America's best interest to deter Russian aggression in the region."
- During a January 2026 interview, despite opposing U.S. aid without adequate oversight, Moore said, "I don't think Russia taking over Ukraine is in our interest."
- Moore traveled with a congressional delegation to Kyiv in August 2021 to meet Ukrainian government, business, and civic leaders and examine economic development and border security challenges.

ON AMERICA'S ALLIANCES:

- Moore has been a staunch supporter of Israel. Following the October 7 attacks, he declared "any threat to Israel is a threat to the United States and our freedoms."
- In supporting additional security assistance for Israel in 2024, Moore said, "it is imperative we support and supply Israel with resources and demonstrate strength on the world's stage in a time of grave danger."
- Following the withdrawal from Afghanistan in 2021, Moore called it "a painful betrayal of our Afghan allies."

ON CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST:

- During a May 2026 interview on Iran, Moore described military pressure followed by sanctions as a negotiating strategy, saying, "So he's going through a process that first was military. Now it's sanctions and economics. And hopefully we'll get them to the table."