

CONGRESSMAN ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

Third Congressional District of Virginia

Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott is currently serving his twelfth term representing the citizens of Virginia's Third Congressional District in Congress. Prior to serving in Congress, he served in the Virginia House of Delegates and in the Senate of Virginia.

In Congress, he serves as the Ranking Member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. In his capacity as the senior Democrat on the Committee, he is leading the fight for access to quality early, secondary and higher education for all of America's children. In 2015, he was one of the four primary negotiators of the Every Student Succeeds Act, which reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act for the first time in 13 years replacing the No Child Left Behind Act. He is also working to ensure that American workers are treated fairly, paid a decent wage, given a safe working environment and provided access to affordable health care.

Congressman Scott is also fighting to reform the nation's criminal justice system. He has introduced the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education (PROMISE) Act, which would provide resources to state and local governments for evidence-based strategies and programs to prevent juvenile crime. In 2015, he and Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) co-authored the Safe, Accountable, Fair, and Effective (SAFE) Justice Act, which has been recognized as one of the most comprehensive criminal justice reform bills in a generation and has attracted significant support from across the political spectrum.

Congressman Scott resides in Newport News, Virginia. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Boston College Law School. He also served in the Massachusetts National Guard and the United States Army Reserve.