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LAMAR ALEXANDER, Republican, of Maryville, TN; born in Maryville, TN, July 3, 1940; education: graduated with honors in Latin American history, Phi Beta Kappa, Vanderbilt University; New York University Law School; served as *Law Review* editor; professional: clerk to Judge John Minor Wisdom, U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans; legislative assistant to Senator Howard Baker (R-TN), 1967; executive assistant to Bryce Harlow, counselor to President Nixon, 1969; President, University of Tennessee, 1988-91; co-director, Empower America, 1994-95; helped found a company that is now the nation's largest provider of worksite day care, Bright Horizons; public service: Republican nominee for Governor of Tennessee, 1974; Governor of Tennessee, 1979-87; U.S. Secretary of Education, 1991-93; community service: chairman, Salvation Army Red Shield Family Initiative; Museum of Appalachia in Norris, TN; received Tennessee Conservation League Conservationist of the Year Award; family: married to Honey Alexander; four children; eight grandchildren; chair, Senate Republican Conference, 2007-12; committees: chair, Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Appropriations; Energy and Natural Resources; Rules and Administration; elected to the U.S. Senate on November 5, 2002; reelected to each succeeding Senate term.

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