

Bernie Ripoll MP

Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer

Member for Oxley

Bernie Ripoll was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1998 and re-elected with an increased majority at each subsequent election of 2001, 2004 and 2007 during three electoral redistributions. He was recently returned for a fifth term at the 2010 Federal Election.



Since Labor returned to Government in 2007, Bernie has been the Chair of the Corporations and Financial Services Joint Statutory Committee.

Since being elected to Parliament in 1998, Bernie has served on numerous Parliamentary Committees including Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, Public Works, Migration, Transport and Regional Services, Treaties, and well as a number of Caucus Committees including Labor's National Security Committee. This has enabled Bernie to forge a solid understanding in a number of key policy portfolios.

Before being elected to Parliament, Bernie completed an electrical trade qualification, was a member of the Royal Australian Air Force and received his marketing degree through the Queensland University of Technology. After and during the completion of his tertiary qualifications Bernie represented students at a number of local and national levels as well as setting up a marketing and design business.

Bernie then began representing workers as an organiser with the State Public Services Federation of Queensland.

In the March 2012 reshuffle, Bernie was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the treasurer.