State Sen. Dave Cox loses battle with cancer

Publisher's note: Dave Cox represented Lake Tahoe in the California Senate.

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State senator and former Assembly Republican leader Dave Cox died today, ending more than two decades of public service by a fiscal conservative and political tough guy who savored a good joke and loved to laugh — even at himself.

His family said Cox died at home, surrounded by friends and family, after a 13-year battle with prostate cancer.



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"A devoted family man, he always found time to serve his community and constituents," said the statement from the family. "Dave took great pride in public service and making government work for the people it serves."

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