Senator Freddie Powell Sims, a Democrat from Dawson, was elected to the State Senate in 2008 to represent the 12th Senatorial District.

Sen. Sims serves as secretary of the Education and Youth Committee, Vice Chairwoman of Interstate Cooperation and is a member of the Agriculture and Consumer Affairs, Appropriations and Natural Resources and the Environment committees.

Although this is her second legislative role, her community, civic and professional involvement has been extensive. Sen. Sims has been an active member of Kiwanis International, the Fort Valley State University Foundation Board, a Deputy Registrar for Dougherty County, Children in Poverty and several other organizations. Her involvement in such organizations has made her the recipient of several awards and certificates, including the 2004 Outstanding Financial Contributions to Capital Campaign award for Fort Valley State University and the 2008 Outstanding Legislator of the Year award for technical and adult education.

Sen. Sims decided to get into politics because of her desire to serve the public, more specifically to provide a voice for those citizens who do not seem to have one. Sims is a retired Middle School Principal and Doctor of Educational Leadership. Dr. Sims is a devout Baptist and is married to Norman Sims. The couple shares 3 daughters.

The 12th Senatorial District includes all of Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Dougherty, Randolph, Stewart, Terrell, Quitman and Webster counties also portions of Mitchell and Sumter County.

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