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Harris said he would focus on financial factors in his investments and avoid considering his political preferences. He's argued in favor of the sole fiduciary model and against a board of trustees for managing the state's investments, saying the change would give more power to the legislature, which he opposes. Harris said, "It's about accountability. This is a position that is elected by the people. Not every treasurer is elected by the people, and so the people get the say, and that is something that I hold near and dear. That's the backbone of our democracy and one person can be corrupted, so can a group of political appointees."

Pennsylvania

Incumbent [Stacy Garrity](#) (R) and [Erin McClelland](#) (D) are running in the Nov. 5, 2024, general election for [Pennsylvania Treasurer](#). ESG and Israeli bonds have emerged as issues in the race.

Garrity invested \$20 million in Israeli bonds on Oct. 12, 2023, [saying](#) it was important "to show our support at a time when the people of Israel are facing horrific terrorism." Garrity [said](#) the bonds are a good investment because they "pay above-market returns and they've never defaulted."

McClelland [has argued](#) Garrity politicized the state's investments with foreign policy considerations. She [said](#) there are "too many factors when you're dealing with a foreign country that you cannot control for." McClelland says she would use the state's investments to [promote stricter](#) human rights and



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Candidate for Pennsylvania
State Treasurer.*



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environmental standards in corporate supply chains.

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