

# Echols is weak on his taking COVID funds across the board. His dysfunctional time as House Leader and soft on crime stance is similarly effective with all groups.

## Echols Negative Message Breakouts

**Significant Movement Away From Echols (>0.20)**  
**No Significant Movement Away From Echols (<0.20)**  
**Top Message For Demographic**

### Q18. Took \$500K in COVID Funds

18. Jon Echols' Sooner Medical Staffing took more than a half-a-million dollars in COVID bailout money.

### Q20. Dysfunctional House Leader

While Jon Echols was a leader in the Oklahoma House of Representatives, political games and dysfunction were common. Members were expelled because of inappropriate behavior, censured for public intoxication, and driving under the influence. Echols also blocked conservative legislation from coming to the floor to make lobbyists happy.

### Q15. Soft on Crime

Jon Echols is soft on crime. He voted to ease penalties on dangerous criminals. He also voted with all democrats against cracking down on criminals with multiple drug convictions.

### Q19. Behind Largest Tax Increase

Jon Echols was behind the largest tax increase in modern Oklahoma history. Echols backed and voted for a seven-hundred-million-dollar tax increase that included six cents per gallon of gas and diesel, a dollar-fifty per pack of cigarettes, and doubling the tax on oil and gas production.

