



AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY KANSAS

2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

THE EVENTS OF THE PAST 18 MONTHS (AND BEFORE) HAVE CAUSED ME TO
RELIEVE THAT IF I WAIT TO ACT, OUR WAY OF LIFE (OUR FREEDOM)
MAY BE GONE. I'M RUNNING TO PRESERVE THAT FREEDOM.

2) If you had the opportunity, what is the first bill you would like to submit in the 2011 session and why?

A REWORK OF THE SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULA TO
ALLOW FUNDS TO BE CONTROLLED BY PARENTS/
STUDENTS.

3) Do you support or oppose legislation that would allow for tax increases to be enacted only by a legislative supermajority or referendum? (i.e. either 3/5 or 2/3 vote of legislature for approval of a tax increase)

a. support

b. oppose

Why? COMBINED WITH KANSAS' BALANCED BUDGET RULES, SUCH A
PROVISION WOULD PREVENT STATE GOVERNMENT FROM ENCRANCHING
ON PROPERTY RIGHTS THROUGH PRESSIVE TAXATION.

4) When state revenues are less than state expenditures, which statement most accurately reflects your first priority?

- Maintain current expenditures and raise taxes.
- Both cut spending and raise taxes.
- Cut more than 15% before considering a tax increase.
- Do not raise taxes and cut spending.

If you would cut spending, are there any specific areas you would cut? Why?

ONE IS STATE EMPLOYMENT. KANSAS HAS THE THIRD HIGHEST RATIO OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES PER CAPITA. THAT'S TOO HIGH.

If you were to raise taxes, what specific taxes you would raise and why?

I WOULD CONSIDER TAX INCREASES ON NON-MONOPOLY SERVICES OFFERED BY THE STATE (SUCH AS ROAD SIGN ADVERTISEMENTS). SUCH AN INCREASE WOULD ALLOW THE MARKET FUNCTION PROPERLY.

5) What do you believe to be the most important issues facing the Kansas Legislature in the upcoming session? (Please rank 1-5, 1 being the most important)

- 1 STATE BUDGET
- 2 SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULA CHANGES
- 3 STATE ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS
- 4 LATE TERM ABORTION RESTRICTIONS
- 5 RESTRUCTURING OF BUSINESS TAXES/REGULATION

6) Many Cities, Counties and State agencies use tax dollars to hire lobbyists to lobby the Kansas Legislature. Do you believe this is a proper use of tax dollars and should such expenditures be disclosed to Kansas taxpayers? Why or why not?

I DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS A PROPER USE OF TAX DOLLARS AND IT SHOULD BE DISCLOSED BECAUSE IT IS IMPROPER TO FORCE TAXPAYERS TO SUBSIDIZE THESE LOBBYIST WHO ADVOCATE FOR FURTHER INCREASES

7) How do you believe Kansas Supreme Court Justices should be selected?

JUDGES SHOULD BE NOMINATED BY THE GOVERNOR,
CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE AND RETAINED BY THE VOTE
OF THE PEOPLE.

8) If the rate of inflation (consumer price index), plus population growth in Kansas grew at 4%, what do you believe would be the appropriate percentage increase in state budget expenditures? Why?

2-3%. BECAUSE OUR STATE SPENDS A GREAT DEAL ~~ON~~ MORE
THAN IS WARRANTED, BY EFFECTUALLY REDUCING SPENDING,
BUDGETS WILL STAY BALANCED AND TAXES LOW.

9) Kansas economic growth has been lagging behind our neighboring states and annual population growth is stagnant at an average increase of less than one-half of one percent per year. As a legislator, how would you address these problems?

WE MUST MAKE BUSINESS REGULATIONS LESS ONEROUS AND
TAXES LOWER, THAT WILL ENGENDER ORGANIC GROWTH IN
BUSINESS AND LEAD TO POPULATION GROWTH.

10) The 2010 Legislature increased the state sales tax from 5.3% to 6.3% in part, to help fund a FY 2011 state general fund budget that increases spending by \$204 million over FY 2010. Once implemented, Kansas will have the largest sales tax amongst neighboring states. (Nebraska is next closest at 5.5%). Considering 33% of our population resides in a county bordering Missouri alone, do you support the decision of the Legislature?

ABSOLUTELY NOT. THE TAX INCREASE SHOULD BE REPEALED
IN THE NEXT SESSION.

11) Do you have any other positions or information that would be of interest to the members of AFP-Kansas?

I AM A MEMBER AND VOLUNTEER IN AFP-KANSAS.
I HAVE WRITTEN NATIONALLY PUBLISHED ARTICLES ON
FREE-MARKET ECONOMICS.