



2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

To expose the electorate to the advantages  
of the libertarian philosophy in regard  
to easing the tax burden of the people of Kansas.

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

Repeal of the newly increased sales tax.  
It is ~~unnecessary~~ unnecessary and  
counter-productive.

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? It should be as difficult as  
possible for politicians to raise taxes.

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?

Welfare. The current system encourages  
dependence upon the state.

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

I would not support any tax increase.

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 Taxation
- 2 Illegal Immigration
- 3 Agricultural Issues
- 4 Infrastructure
- 5 Abortion

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?

No. Lobbyist should be privately  
funded.

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

The current system is adequate.

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?

This is a hypothetical question to which I can provide no authoritative answer.

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?

These issues are not especially important to me as I believe Kansas benefits from being a sparsely populated state.

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?

No.

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

I oppose the statewide smoking ban.