



# AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY K A N S A S

## 2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

① To be a Voice for true Conservatives. To Stop  
GOVERNMENT Growth and stand against TAX increases.  
Help Businesses become Successful to Reduce unemployment.  
Promote Life!

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

Revoke the one-cent sales tax that passed in the last  
Legislative Session.

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? Because too many Legislators are addicted to Budget  
increases and have been unwilling to show restraint even  
when it hurts KANSANS AND BUSINESSES AND RAISES unemployment.  
TAX INCREASES ought to be the Absolute Last option. Most of the time  
There are better choices available.

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?

Start with the state's largest expenditures and prioritize.

Reduce overhead, Sell ~~unnecessary~~ Assets, Restructure/Re-engineer to operate on less. Eliminate programs that are not taxpayer problems such as public Radio.

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

Not happening! We need to HELP the economy by cutting spending. Raising taxes is harmful to the state - just make things worse.

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 Help Create Jobs and better the economy
- 2 Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR)
- 3 Re-engineer the education finance formula and provide  
Better AWARENESS!
- 4 Cut Health Care cost for KANSANS AND BUSINESSES
- 5 ESTABLISH A RAINY DAY/Disaster Relief FUND.

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, IT IS NOT A PROPER USE OF TAX DOLLARS AND YES  
the TAX Dollars Spent on Lobby Should ABSOLUTELY be  
disclosed. TRANSPARENCY in GOVT helps eliminate  
Questionable spending practices.

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

Allow the legislature to Ask Questions of those Nominated by the Governor Before they are Confirmed. Allow the legislature to Approve the Confirmation of Judge Selections,

- 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?

BASED ON THOSE INDICATORS, ZERO INCREASE - THEIR ARE BETTER indicators such as GDP, unemployment Rates, Stock Mkt, & Retail Sales. AFTER RAINY DAY FUND IS FULL, Allow Combined tax cuts and GROWTH AT OR Below the Rate of those indicators.

- 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?

Change KANSAS TAX policy From the highest Rates to the Lowest Amongst our Neighboring States. This encourages New business growth and taxpayers to Come to KANSAS.

- 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, I Don't! I Believe it was irresponsible.

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

Govt Should Act more like a business. Businesses must Live Within their Means. When necessary, Businesses will Restructure, Sell off assets & eliminate unnecessary Spending. When profits are UP, they pay Down Debt and put back Savings. We Need to Incentivize efficiency and Restore Reasonable Common Sense principles.