



AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY KANSAS

2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

I'm running because too many of our representatives are determined to destroy the free market system, while replacing it with a system run and controlled by bureaucrats. This will destroy individual freedom and increase taxes beyond acceptable limits. I believe this will destroy any motivation or incentive for individual productivity.

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

The implementation of a fair tax which would eliminate all individual and corporate income tax

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? The current system makes it too easy to increase taxes instead of making a greater effort to decrease government growth and spending.

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?

No specific areas. It is only prudent that the Kansas Legislature review the budget line by line and cut where ever possible

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

There is currently NO TAX I would raise. I consider current taxes too high and contributing to the depressed state of the economy,

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 Balanced State Budget
- 2 The Economy
- 3 Job creation in the public sector
- 4 Creating a business friendly environment that can compete with surrounding states.
- 5 Health care.

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?

Agencies that use tax dollars to hire lobbyists to lobby the Kansas Legislature are receiving too much from state revenue and the funding they are receiving should be cut by the amount used to pay lobbyist. This amount is in excess of the money required to accomplish their mission.

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

Nominated by The Governor and approved by
The STATE Senate.

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?

3%. 1% should be placed in escrow to be used to
supplement expenditures during times of shortages
in tax revenue. The state should never spend more
than it receives in taxes.

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?

Work with other representatives to create a fair tax base that is
competitive with neighboring states. Place constraints on state expenditures,
evaluate each state program, determine its necessity and adjust
funding level necessary to run program instead of basing it on previous
year's budget. Eliminate duplication of programs.

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?

I do not support this decision because of the demographics of
Kansas population it will negatively affect local business and
further depress the state economy.

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

Business, NOT Government creates jobs, growth and innovation. Government
should not own nor manage business. Regulations should be clear,
consistent and user friendly to encourage business to migrate to
Kansas