



AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY KANSAS

2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Why are you running for the Legislature?

State live within its means.
Improve business environment. Grow jobs
Limit government intrusion, over spending, and over reaching
Anything that is pro-business.

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

Reverse the sales tax increase. This would force spending cuts
and set the stage for school funding formula to be redesigned

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? Oppose for now. we can vote out the spenders. I could
be convinced to support.

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?

Schools have too much fat and power

Employment - (Gov't employees)

KPERS needs to be frozen and converted to defined contribution

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

No reason to raise taxes. Need to shrink government for at least 10 years

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 High sales tax and budget deficit

2 School funding formula -

3 KPERS - 3rd rail, but needs to be addressed

4 Business regulation and taxation

5 Medicaid -

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?

It is acceptable. Most efficient process to gain access.

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

Not be trial attorneys - That is for sure

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?

A Healthy business environment will take care of the limited amount of government services necessary.

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?

Eliminate personal and/or corporate taxes and population will return. You go where the jobs are.

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?

① I think a Medical Home concept could control Medicaid costs and private insurance costs. Would require technology and collaboration of doctors, Hospitals, and employers.

② If KS Supreme court removes Tort caps and constitutional amendment would have to be passed to put caps back in place. If we lose doctors now - we will never be able to replace and will have a physician shortage -