

2014 STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

GENERAL INFORMATION

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QUESTIONS

If offered, would you accept the support of a public-sector union? Yes No

BUDGET & TAXES

Do you support/oppose making the 2011 income tax increase permanent? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose putting administrative agency and executive branch witnesses under oath before they testify to legislative committees? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose requiring the Senate President and Speaker of the House to certify, under penalty of sanction, that the state budget appropriations bills constitute a balanced budget? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose a progressive or graduated income tax? Support Oppose

STATE EMPLOYMENT

Do you support/oppose the right of public employees to strike? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose making Illinois a right-to-work state? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose project labor agreements (PLAs)? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose exempting school districts and local governments from the Illinois Prevailing Wage Law? Support Oppose

STATE PENSIONS

Do you support/oppose a "hard pension cap", which would establish a salary ceiling? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose increasing existing and future public employees' contributions to the pension system?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose prohibiting any pension benefit increase that is not fully funded when granted?

Support Oppose

EDUCATION

Do you support/oppose taxpayer-funded scholarships for elementary/secondary students to attend non-public schools?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose per-pupil-spending of state education funds following students to whatever school parents deem best?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose registration of home school students with state or local authorities?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the state licensing of home school parents?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the approval of home school curriculum by the State Board of Education?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose Illinois withdrawing from the national "Common Core" curriculum plan?

X support

MEDICAID

Do you support/oppose expanding eligibility of the State Medicaid Program?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose strict eligibility audits of the State Medicaid Program, including proof of citizenship and asset tests?

Support Oppose

STATE COURTS

Do you support/oppose the elimination of one of the two separate chambers for the Illinois Supreme Court?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the elimination of food service and lodging at all Appellate Courthouses?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the election of Supreme Court Judges?

Support Oppose

GOVERNMENT REFORM

Do you support/oppose full and public financial disclosure of all sources of income for every elected official?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose repealing the contribution limits imposed under recent changes to the Illinois Campaign Finance laws?

Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose General Assembly leadership PACs being

Support Oppose

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subject to the same campaign finance rules as all other PACs?

Do you support/oppose term limits for General Assembly presiding officers and legislative leaders? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose a ban on all outside employment for state constitutional officers, including the Speaker of the House and Senate President? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose a prohibition on pensions and healthcare benefits for "part-time" elected officials statewide? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose a mandate that any bill with 5+ sponsors be entitled to a public hearing? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose civil or criminal sanctions against legislators who lie about legislation during committee hearings or floor debate? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose a requirement of 48 hour, online publication of all legislation before final passage? Support Oppose

ELECTION INTEGRITY

Do you support/oppose a law requiring photo ID to vote? Support Oppose

SOCIAL POLICY

Do you support/oppose the expanded use of eminent domain for economic development? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the smoking ban on private property? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose illegal alien sanctuary cities and counties in Illinois? Support Oppose

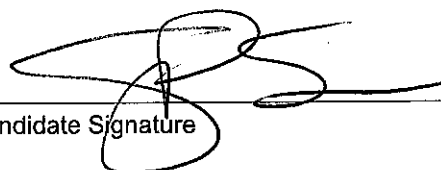
Do you support/oppose the use of red light or speed cameras? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the expansion of gambling in Illinois? Support Oppose
** only particular circled instances*

Do you support/oppose requiring abortion clinics to be licensed under the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA), which would eliminate all restrictions on abortion in Illinois? Support Oppose

Do you support/oppose the immunization of children without parental consent? Support Oppose


Candidate Signature

2-17-14
Date