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1. Would you support a bill in line with HB 42, sponsored by Rep. Tammie Wilson, that would require a conviction before an alaskan’s property could be permanently seized for violating the law?

Response: Yes.

2. Do you support net neutrality or the requirement that internet providers must equally enable access to all content and websites?

Response: Yes.

3. Do you agree that Alaskans have the right to speak out on political issues and elections and that this right includes their ability to use their personal resources to amplify that speech?

Response: Thick wallets should not be able to buy free speech to a greater extent than of those of lesser means. Personally, I support Voter Owned elections/ publically funded elections. To me, there is too much money in elections.

4. What is your position on Voter ID and what information must be provided to register to vote or cast a ballot on election day?
Response: *The Constitution* allows us more freedom than restrictions. Voting falls under this mandate. All eligible citizens should have easy access to the polls- we should be making it easier for people to vote, not harder.

5. Do you support allowing election day voter registration?

Response: Yes. With proof of residency (utility bill, rental agreement, driver’s license, etc.,) people should be able to register the day of elections.

6. Do you support allowing voters to automatically update their information when they apply for the PFD?

Response: Yes.

7. Do you support a statewide non-discrimination ordinance to protect LBGTQ Alaskans from being fired from their jobs, denied access to housing, or refused services on the basis of their sexual orientation or gender identity?

Response: Yes, as I am LGBTQ.

8. Do you support parental notification laws that deny women under the age of 18 access to abortion without the consent of an adult?

Response: No

9. Do you support Real ID, or the federalization of DMV documents?

Response: I think that this should be a state’s rights issue, although I am willing to learn more concerning this “federalization.”

10. Do you believe state and local law enforcement should be using facial recognition technologies on the general public?

Response: No. I believe that this is a privacy issue. Although, in certain limited cases, this could be a useful tool for particular segments of law enforcement that deal with things like sex trafficking, child abduction, and terrorist movement.

11. What is your position on the Internet Privacy Act? Do you believe the State of Alaska should act to return privacy protections overturned by President Trump on a federal level in 2017?

Response: Yes, we should return internet protections to Alaska.
12. As marijuana has been made legal for purchase for adults over the age of 21 in Alaska, would you support removing prior convictions for marijuana related offenses that are no longer crimes from publically accessible legal databases?

Response: Yes.