2018 Legislative Candidate Questionnaire

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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: I didn’t have the opportunity to hear HB42 this past session but its premise sounds like something I could support.

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

Response: Yes. We already pay an absurd amount for marginal internet access in Alaska, to pay more to avoid access restrictions is ridiculous and unfair.

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: Yes, although I also have the right to not listen.

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: Residency for the appropriate length of time is what needs to be demonstrated and I am comfortable with same-day voter registration.
5. Do you support allowing election day voter registration?

Response: Yes

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 a member of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly from 2008 to 2013, I supported AO64 in 2009. And as a member of the Anchorage School Board from 1994 to 2003, I supported the safety of ALL students in school, the establishment of Gay Straight Alliances in high schools, and protections for all students and staff.

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: Yes, although it's inconvenient for Alaska to produce these documents, the lack thereof would severely limit the ability of Alaskans to enter federal property for work or other services and to travel

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

Response: Facebook does it, although I suppose I agreed to allow facial recognition at some point in order to use Facebook, law enforcement should also have the ability. Not too sure about the general public, however the ability seems useful to law enforcement from time to time.

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: I sponsored HB230, Alaska’s Internet Privacy Act, which would restrict any telecommunication service or ISP from collecting the personal information of a private
customer without the consent of the customer to protect the privacy and individual liberty of every Alaskan. I strongly believe Alaska should act to overturn Trump's actions on internet privacy.

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. I sponsored a bill, HB 316, that restricts public access to records of crimes for simple marijuana possession of up to an ounce. I would prefer to have gone further, and preferred expungement, but as it was, HB316m passed the House but stalled in Senate Finance because of the unsupported personal views of several Senators that “legalization of marijuana has caused crime to increase.”