

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 would support legislation to reform Alaska's civil asset forfeiture laws. We need to take Alaskan's due process and private property rights seriously and make sure that if private property is seized by law enforcement, there are statutes that demand transparency and accountability.

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

Response: Yes

- 1. 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

- 1. 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: I think Voter ID impedes access to voting, especially among rural and poor voters. In a time when we're seeing historically low voter turnout, we need to be working to engage more voters in the process, not creating barriers that will make it harder for Alaskans to vote.

1. **Do you support allowing election day voter registration?**

Response: This seems a good idea to me. I presume it would be similar to voting a questioned ballot where a person would fill out the form, present ID, and then be allowed to vote.

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

Response: Yes, although it sounds like there were problems with the form and/or process this year and that we may need to either revisit regulations or tweak the legislation.

1. **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: Absolutely.

1. **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

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

Response: I support the approach that the state took with HB16 that allowed Alaskans to make a choice between keeping an ID that is not compliant with federal law, or getting a compliant version that will be accepted on military bases and for TSA-secured domestic travel. While we can't change federal law, HB16 made sure that each Alaskan could make that choice.

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

Response: No

1. **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: Alaskans' right to privacy is established in our constitution. I believe that the Trump administration's actions to repeal FCC regulations that would have required broadband companies to get permission from their consumers in order to use their sensitive data for

marketing fail to respect or recognize our right to privacy. I would support efforts to help make sure that Alaskans are in control of their private information.

1. **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

