

West Virginia Family Values Questionnaire 2008

Please complete & return by July 22, 2008. Also, please answer all questions or provide an explanation for unanswered ones.

I - ABORTION:

1. Since abortions are presently legal, do you support requiring parental/guardians consent for minors to have abortions (except in special cases as established by law)?
 Yes No Will sponsor
2. Do you support legislation stopping partial birth abortion?
 Yes No Will sponsor
3. Do you support legislation prohibiting state tax dollars being used to fund abortion?
 Yes No Will sponsor

II - GAMBLING:

4. Do you support expanding gambling, including casino gambling?
 Yes No
5. Do you support allowing gambling at additional tracks or locations?
 Yes No
6. Do you support the expansion of the West Virginia lottery, bingo casinos or raffles?
 Yes No
7. Would you support reducing the number of video lottery terminals by 50% or more from the current 9000 authorized?
 Yes No

III - ACCOUNTABILITY, INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM, and RECALL:

8. Do you support or oppose INITIATIVE (giving the people the right to place an issue on the ballot to vote directly on)?
 I support I oppose Will sponsor Comments: _____
9. Do you support or oppose REFERENDUM (giving the people the right to reject newly passed legislation by having it placed on the ballot)?
 I support I oppose Will sponsor Comments: _____
10. Do you support or oppose RECALL (giving the people the right to recall elected officials)?
 I support I oppose Will sponsor Comments: _____
11. Do you support a rule change allowing a certain number of legislators (10% or more) to require a bill to be taken up and voted out of committee for consideration by the full legislative body?
 I support I oppose Will sponsor Comments: _____

Notice: This is similar to HR-16 and our 2005 scorecard vote: This rule change forcing an issue to the floor permitting legislators to only sign one petition per year. The committee would have seven calendar days to report the bill to be sent to the full House and five days to place it on the active calendar for the full House to consider. This rule change would prevent pro-family legislation from being ignored by the leadership as has happened year after year and require such legislation to be taken up, considered, debated and voted on. Such ignored pro-family legislation includes: the WV Marriage Amendment, promoting our national motto, "In God We Trust", regulating sexually oriented businesses, and stopping the expansion of gambling.

IV - EDUCATION, PARENTAL RIGHTS:

12. Do you support a tax credit of \$2,000 per year per student to parents who send their children to a private school and \$1000 for home schooling?
 Yes No Will sponsor these tax credits
13. Do you support requiring the teaching in public schools the founding documents of the U.S. including the Declaration of Independence, the Constitutional and Bill of Rights, the Federalist Papers and other historical documents and writing, and their role in our history?
 Yes No Will sponsor
14. Do you support the requirement of timely parental notification so that children may "opt out" of any presentation of culturally offensive instruction or material on human sexuality and behavior to their children?
 Yes No Will sponsor
15. Do you support legislation to prohibit programs and initiatives from being implemented in public education which promotes the acceptance of the homosexual lifestyle?
 Yes No Will sponsor

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V - VALUES and DECENCY:

16. Do you support legislation allowing counties to restrict the hours and location of bars and sexually oriented businesses?
 Yes No Will sponsor
17. Do you support legislation to restrict and regulate Sexually Oriented Businesses such as prohibiting nude performances and allowing a community to restrict their advertisement?
 Yes No Will sponsor
18. Do you support the requirement for filtering software to block pornography from computers in public schools and libraries?
 Yes No Will sponsor
19. Do you support legislation encouraging the prominent display of our national motto, "In God We Trust" (Officially adopted by Congress in 1956) in public buildings?
 Yes No Will sponsor
20. Do you support "sexual orientation" being added to the existing section of the West Virginia Code dealing with hate crimes thereby giving special treatment for crimes involving homosexuals?
 Yes No Will sponsor
21. Do you support the repeal of hate crime legislation, which treats various categories of people differently under the law by creating special classes or groups of people?
 Yes No Will sponsor
22. Do you support any legislation which would afford the homosexual lifestyle as a "civil rights" protected status to be included to the West Virginia Human Rights Act (WV Code §5-11-2) on the same basis as the currently recognized classes: race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, blindness, disability, and familial status?
 Yes No Will sponsor
23. Since the WV Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) law may not be held up in court, would you support an amendment to the WV State Constitution to guarantee the definition of marriage as being between "one man and one woman" as well as prohibiting civil unions and domestic partner benefits?
 Yes No Will sponsor
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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

County: _____ District: _____ Senate House

Email address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return by **July 22, 2008** to:
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