

## **ABATE of Northern Nevada**

### **Questionnaire for Those Seeking Public Office**

1. What is your motivation for seeking public office?  
I entered public office 18 years ago to be a direct link between the people and their elected officials. I feel that I have been a voice of the people.
2. What are your views on the role of Government? What should be the role of Federal Government? What should be the role of State Government?  
The Government has become too intrusive in our day to day lives, it needs to be smaller, more enterprised and they should be willing to listen and act for their constituents. The Federal Government has lost focus of the people and when the Government becomes enamored with itself it is time to change and remove any and all elected officials who do not listen. Their role is to represent the people, not their own personal agendas.  
The State Government should be made up of persons who represent their state and their voters views. Not only state, but county, city, federal and all elected officials should abide by the constitution.
3. If your views of Government differ from what is taking place now, what would you do to move Government closer to your vision of how it should operate?  
It is up to me and other elected officials to follow the oath of office and abide by the Constitution and the laws of the United States and the State of Nevada, I feel no-one is exempt from this.
4. What shapes your views on how to vote for or against legislation? If you are running for the office of Governor please explain what shapes your approval or veto of legislation? (For Legislative and Gubernatorial Candidates)  
My views are shaped by conservative values. I have spent many years, either involved directly or indirectly, and I would not sell my personal beliefs or values to any special interest groups that I did not feel was appropriate for the betterment of the people.
5. Give us some idea of the type of legislation you would most likely introduce? What do you feel is the most urgent and important legislation?(Non Legislative Candidates Exempt)  
My first priority would be to focus on the budget and not throw money at the problems hoping that it would fix itself. My second would be to amend some of the language to the Second Amendment and English should be our official language. There are many things that we need to do, but amending some of the existing language can sometimes be stronger than enacting a new bill.
6. What is your stance on ownership of firearms? What sorts of restrictions or bans should be in place? Your views on Concealed Weapons Permits?  
I think my record has shown my stance on firearms, concealed weapons permits and the rights under the second amendment. I have been in favor of the Second Amendment and have held town hall meetings in Elko on these subjects. I would introduce legislation to reduce or eliminate mandated concealed weapons permits, it is our right to keep and bear arms given to us by our Founding Forefathers. Those who turn their guns into plows will plow for those that own guns.
7. Would you be willing to help a pro choice helmet bill to the governor's desk for passage?  
I have twice in two sessions tried to help remove the helmet restrictions under freedom of choice.  
State Legislator - What are your views on the mandated helmet use here in Nevada? Would you support legislation which allows an adult 21 years of age or

older to choose a helmet?

The mandated helmet law here in Nevada should be a choice of the person to either wear or not wear it. Under the current economic conditions in the State of Nevada this is one that encourages people to ride outside of our state, instead of visiting our great state.

Federal Legislator – What are your views on the federal government using transportation funding threats to ensure states keep a helmet law in place? Would you support legislation to allow states to choose the laws that best suits them without threats of revoked funds?

This is another threat that goes on constantly with the federal transportation that they have been using against us for the last 20 years. It should be a state by state issue.

Gubernatorial – If in office would you approve legislation giving an adult, 21 years or older the right to choose a helmet?

Non Legislative Office – Would you be willing to support ABATE efforts in the right to choose by writing letters of support and/or appearing with ABATE during the legislative session to speak to legislators on behalf of the right to choose?

8. What are your views on the “right to repair” act (H.R. 2057) proposed by Congress?  
You as the owner of the vehicle should have the right to take any car under warranty to anyone reliable dealership of their choice. I would personally take caution of a person that was not qualified with the knowledge and equipment that might alter the warranty.

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions to potential constituents. It means a lot to this organization and helps voters decide on a candidate that best suits them. Responses will be posted on A.B.A.T.E. of Northern Nevada’s web site, [www.abatennv.org](http://www.abatennv.org) . You may e-mail your finished response to [ridefree@abatennv.org](mailto:ridefree@abatennv.org) or mail to:

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