

# Missouri

## Candidate Survey

1. Do you support allowing corporate and individual income tax paid to the federal government to be fully deductible from state income taxes?

Support  Oppose

BUT PREFER FAIR TAX

2. Do you support or oppose placing the burden of proof on certain taxpayers so long as they have the means to afford adequate representation?

Support  Oppose

All should be treated same,  
burden on accusers.

3. Do you support or oppose increased competition by granting a statewide franchise to compete in local markets in the telecommunications industry?

Support  Oppose

Not familiar with details of this  
issue

4. Do you support or oppose the use of the state's "rainy day fund" for covering budget shortfalls?

Support  Oppose

5. Do you believe that a landowner should be civilly liable for criminal acts that take place on his or her property without the landowner's knowledge?

Support  Oppose

6. Do you support or oppose allowing a business to audit its own facility, operations, and financial structure and self report to the appropriate regulatory agency without penalty?

Support  Oppose

7. In a budget shortfall, would you support or oppose eliminating job training money from the budget?

Support  Oppose

This should not be government  
responsibility

8. Do you support or oppose targeted tax incentives to enhance certain market sectors or activity?

Support  Oppose

OPPOSE TAX INCENTIVES IN GENERAL

9. Do you support or oppose the notion that the elimination of double taxation should be paramount in any tax reform efforts?  
 Support  Oppose
10. Do you support or oppose requiring Missouri corporations to pay in addition to an income tax a tax on the value of assets in Missouri?  
 Support  Oppose *Oppose corporate income tax*
11. Do you support or oppose creating additional incentives for Missouri companies to create new jobs in Missouri?  
 Support  Oppose *Generally oppose government incentives for business.*
12. Do you support or oppose limiting the number of gaming licenses issued in the state of Missouri?  
 Support  Oppose *Support current limit on types of locations for casinos*
13. Do you support or oppose the removal of loss limits at gaming facilities in Missouri?  
 Support  Oppose
14. Do you support or oppose use of eminent domain for redevelopment of a heavily blighted area?  
 Support  Oppose
15. Do you support or oppose banning eminent domain for all uses, including utilities, highways, and schools?  
 Support  Oppose
16. Do you support or oppose legislation that would prohibit a plaintiff in a civil suit from being victorious if said plaintiff was responsible for causing any of the injury?  
 Support  Oppose
17. Would you support barring individuals that have been exposed to asbestos or silica from bringing a claim in civil court before they have an injury?  
 Support  Oppose
18. Do you support or oppose legislation that would protect a defendant in a civil claim from being liable for more of a plaintiff's injury than the percentage of the injury the defendant caused?  
 Support  Oppose

19. Do you support creating tax deductions or total abatement for small businesses to offer health insurance to its employees?  
 Support  Oppose
20. Do you support or oppose legislation that would require medical providers to provide the cost of services prior to the commencement of any medical procedure?  
 Support  Oppose
21. Missouri is currently an employment at-will state, where employers generally have the right to terminate an employee at any time as long as it doesn't violate a contract or the employee's civil rights. Legislation is annually introduced to allow an employee to sue an employer over discharge issues. Do you support or oppose legislation that would abolish Missouri's employment at-will law?  
 Support  Oppose
22. Do you support reforming Missouri's legal system as it relates to expert witness testimony in civil courts by requiring that such testimony is both relevant and reliable before it may be presented to a judge or jury?  
 Support  Oppose
23. Do you support or oppose amending teacher certification so that business leaders can teach courses in issue areas specific to their expertise, education, or training?  
 Support  Oppose
24. Do you support or oppose "high stakes" testing of students in the areas of math, science, and literacy requiring a student to pass before advancement or graduation?  
 Support  Oppose *TO some extent*
25. Do you support or oppose requiring the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to license environmental professionals to conduct permit reviews so that the permitting process can be streamlined?  
 Support  Oppose
26. Do you support limited health benefit plans known as "mandate light" that would allow small businesses to provide health insurance without the burdens and expense of current health care mandates so that more people can be insured?  
 Support  Oppose
27. Do you support or oppose providing incentives for consumer based health care models that encourage more consumer responsibility in the health care market?  
 Support  Oppose

28. Do you support or oppose legislation that would move the defense of the workers' compensation second injury fund from the Missouri Attorney General's office to the Missouri Department of Labor?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Support \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose ?
29. Do you support or oppose public employee collective bargaining?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Support  Oppose
30. Do you support or oppose tolling existing roadways in Missouri?  
 Support \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose *User fees is a good way to upgrade over loaded roads.*
31. Do you support or oppose the implementation of a uniform school start date for all Missouri schools, with an opt-out provision for school districts that have a demonstrable need to be excluded?  
 Support \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose *to extent that local control not otherwise compromised.*
32. Do you support or oppose full funding for the Division of Tourism to promote Missouri's tourism industry?  
 Support \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose
33. Do you support or oppose the elimination of sales tax on construction materials purchased by contractors, manufacturers, and/or suppliers for use on MoDOT highway projects?  
 Support \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose *with audit controls*