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2016 Candidate Survey Results

Name: John Christopher Ackerley
Office Sought: Arizona House District: 2 Status: Incumbent Party: Republican
Website: chrisackerley.com
Previous Public Office(s): Incumbent
Occupation: HS Math and Physics Teacher
Education: BS Physical Science NAU 1999
Accepting PAC Contributions: No
Are you interested in an endorsement: Yes

SURVEY QUESTIONS:

1) If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2017-2018?

Answer: Education policy and funding Transportation infrastructure Developing more constructive relationships between local governance and the State

2) Do you support eliminating the HURF transfers to DPS and other non-road construction and maintenance purposes?

Answer: Yes

Comments:

3) Do you support the continued use of bona fide independent contractors in the trucking industry and oppose efforts by state and local governments to reclassify owner-operators as employees?

Answer: Yes

Comments:

4a) Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

Answer: No

4b) Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: No

Comments: There is no question we are not currently meeting our transportation funding needs. I would not support toll roads as the first option. If however, they were part of a consensus solution, that included other aspects and a long range plan, I would consider toll roads in or connecting

metro areas. I am very unlikely to support them as a solution in rural areas.

5) On a scale of one to ten (one being low), how important do you believe transportation infrastructure (roads and highways) is to the success of the Arizona's economy?

Answer: 10

Comments: Transportation infrastructure is crucial to the district I represent. LD2 contains the entire I-19 corridor. Our economic future in many sectors is dependent on logistics operations and trade with Mexico.

6) Do you support exploring options to increase revenues for transportation funding through either taxes or fees?

Answer: Yes, I think the legislature needs to increase taxes or fees to raise revenue for road infrastructure.

Comments: We need to take a comprehensive look at or transportation needs and dedicated funding sources to meet those needs. I would support referring a proposition to the voters that restructured or fuel and vehicle licensing fees to meet our transportation needs. I would not support general income tax rate increases.

7) Do you support or oppose the "Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol" ballot proposition?

Answer: I oppose the marijuana proposition.

Comments:

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