

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

Name: Vince Leach

Office Sought: **Arizona Senate** District:11 Status: Open Seat Party: **Republican**

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Previous Office(s): **Representative**

Education: BS

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Accepting PAC Contributions: **Yes** Are you interested in an endorsement: Yes

5. If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2019-

2020?

Answer: 1. Balanced budget 2. Continued growth of AZ economy 3. Assured water supply

6. 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:

7. Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

Answer: No

8. Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: Yes

9. 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: Good to market is key!

10. Currently, alternative fuel vehicles (natural gas and electric) do not pay any taxes or fees for use of the

roads. (i.e. a gas tax substitute) Do you believe that these vehicles should pay something for use of the roads, or do you believe that they should continue to get a discount for using alternative fuels?

Answer: I believe alternative fueled vehicles should pay something for use of the roads. Comments:

11. Currently, both the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety have law enforcement officers that specialize in commercial vehicle enforcement. Do you believe Arizona should look at consolidating all truck enforcement activities under the Department of Public Safety?

Answer: Yes, I believe we should look at consolidating ADOT's law enforcement under the DPS.

Comments:

12. Given the importance of transportation is to our economic success, how would you propose we solve the revenue shortfall needs for transportation?

Answer: Increasing fuel tax is only one option that needs to be considered. Public/private relationships for infrastructure. In reality, it will need to be an 'all of the above' that everyone will dislike, but will provide funds for the needs.