

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

Name: Stephen Kridler

Office Sought: <u>Arizona House</u> District: <u>16</u> Status: <u>Open Seat</u> Party: <u>Republican</u>

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Previous Office(s):

Education: Some college

Occupation: Retired Law Enforcement

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

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

2020?

Answer: To listen to the concerns of the people and development of resolution to those concerns.

Reassess the public education system to restructure it. Defend Second Amendment Rights.

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: <u>I see independent contractors as small</u> <u>business owners who should provided any and all</u> resources that any other small business owner has.

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: No

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: 8

Comments: There is a high volume of goods transported via State highway. It's very important

to the state.

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 continue to get a discount 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: <u>Yes, I believe we should look at</u> consolidating ADOT's law enforcement under the <u>DPS.</u>

Comments: <u>Operating as a unified team provides</u> greater consistency, due to utilization of the same policies, and it reduces administrative costs.

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

Answer: Reducing the size of government overall by combing related departments, then reallocation of funds to transportation and infrastructure.