

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

Name: **Shelley Kais**

Office Sought: **Arizona Senate**

District: **2**

Status: **Challenger**

Party: **Republican**

Website: **www.kais4az.com**

Previous Office(s):

Education: **MBA**

Occupation: **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: Jobs and the Economy Education Public Safety

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: 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: 10

Comments: Our produce industry depends on transportation infrastructure.

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:

Comments: I don't believe they should continue to get a discount.

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: I do not support redundant operations.

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

Answer: We must begin by using HURF funds for their designated purpose. While I don't support raising taxes, we must not assign the trucking industry with the majority of tax burden. The Arizona Trucking Association needs a voice at the table to represent the ATA and their membership-- many of whom are the backbone of our produce industry in Southern Arizona.