

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

Name: **Bobby Tyler**

Office Sought: **Arizona House**

District: **6**

Status: **Open Seat**

Party: **Democratic**

Website: **Tylerforarizona.com**

Previous Office(s): **Present Mayor and 4 year as City Councilman**

Education: **Some college**

Occupation: **Machinist**

Accepting PAC Contributions: **Yes**

Are you interested in an endorsement: **Yes**

5. If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2019-2020?

Answer: Find a permanent and effective source to improve school funding, invest in infrastructure spending that will attract better paying jobs to our region, and improve access to quality healthcare to those in northern and especially rural Arizona.

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: As the mayor of Holbrook, I lead a community that lies along the I-40 corridor and understand the essential nature of developing and maintaining our 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: 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: 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: Among other sources of funding, I believe raising the gas tax by around 10 cents is something most Americans support and would be an effective source of revenue for improving our roadway infrastructure.