

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

Name: **Jim Love**

Office Sought: **Arizona Senate**

District: **9**

Status: **Open Seat**

Party: **Democratic**

Website: **jimloveforazsenate.com**

Previous Office(s): **Flowing Wells Unified School District Governing Board**

Education: **AS Degree**

Occupation: **Respiratory Therapist**

Accepting PAC Contributions: **No**

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

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

Answer: 1 Increased funding for Public Education and teacher base pay. 2. Healthcare: Kids Care increase, medication subsidies for the underserved elderly and mental health 3. YOU: It is time we find out what the real needs of the people are and fix them. I am sure there are trucking firms and there employees that have unrealistic regulations on them that are holding them back from advancing their firms.

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: To me these independents are a business of thier own.

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: 9

Comments:

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: Our road ways are paid for with fuel taxes. they should have to have an extra cost on thier vehicle registration at least averaging what a gasoline vehicle would pay per year in gasoline taxes.

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: If there is an increase in fuel taxes, some of this money needs to enlarge and create more free rest areas. Also, all trucking firms, even ones with one or two trucks, should be able to use fuel as a business expense and tax deduction.