

**Q7**

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**Q9**

What are your past political activities (Offices held, candidate, volunteer, etc)

Currently Eunice School Board-21 years

Currently NM State House -8years

**Q10**

Why are you seeking this office?

I like the idea that the Senate gets to look at policy in a longer term view. I also would like to make a difference in the Senate by adding another Conservative voice. Being in the House for 8 years has given me the opportunity to learn the process and I feel that I am ready to take the next step and be the voice for Senate District 41.

**Q11**

Have you or your business, if you are a business owner, ever been the subject of any state or federal tax liens? If yes, please explain.

Yes (please explain):

Never

**Q12**

Have you ever been involved in a personal or business bankruptcy proceeding? If yes, please explain.

Yes (please explain):

Never

**Q13**

Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted of a misdemeanor or felony crime in New Mexico or any other state? If yes, please explain.

Yes (please explain):

Never

**Q14**

State Budget: New Mexico's state budget provides for the state's recurring expenses such as general management, education, facility maintenance . . . etc. Other expenditures are not recurring, such as road construction, infrastructure expansion, ... etc. What do you think is most important for New Mexico to do when there is surplus revenue?

**Surplus tax revenue should be used to build reserve funds**

Please explain your answer:

We will always have needs greater than our income. But it is prudent on the legislators to save back monies for times like now that things are hard. If we would of passed the House Republican version of the budget in 2029, we would of had a stronger reserve to help in our current situation.

**Q15**

Legislator funds: Legislators are usually provided funds for specific projects within their districts. How do you think these funds should be distributed to legislators?

**Equally distributed to each legislator**

**Q16**

State Tax Code: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that New Mexico completely restructure its tax code?

(no label)  
Comment:

**1 (Critical)**

There have always been to many different tax cuts. Chairman Harper said it best we have a block of cheese with all of these holes in it. We need to widen the base and lower the rate so it is fair across all groups in our great state.

**Q17**

State Tax Code: Are you in favor of the current Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) system for NM or moving to a sales tax?

**Gross Receipts Tax (GRT),**

Explain your answer:

I'm comfortable with our get as it is, just because it is what we have in place, but I would need to know what the benefits would be for the state as a whole.

**Q18**

Crime: Do you believe that the crime rate and the court's handling of existing laws (sentencing, catch & release protocols, etc.) in New Mexico negatively impacts our ability to attract new businesses and industries to our state?

**Yes,**

Please explain your answer:

Anytime you have a high rate of crime it would be a question to why to invest to state a new business in that type of environment.

**Q19**

Energy: What is your position on government mandates for renewable energy like the Energy Transition Act?

**Oppose,**

Please explain your position:

I think there is room for growth on the renewable sector, but it cannot support it self, and we as a state can not expect it to carry the burden that the Oil and Gas sector historically has.

**Q20**

Energy: NM's oil and gas producers were largely responsible for the dramatic increase in state tax revenue for 2019. Do you support effective land and resource management that allows these extractive industries to maximize production and budgetary support for NM?

**Yes,**

Please briefly explain your answer:

The more flexibility we have the better. We are a poor state because we don't maximize our use of our mineral resources. I went to Chona in 2018 with the LT. Governor Sanchez to negotiate on Oil and Gas. We had a great opportunity that we lost when our Governor would not continue the negotiations. We need to free the Iil and Agassi sector to produce our own resources. Refineries are being built in Texas just due to the over burden on regulations and taxes here in NM

**Q21**

Regulation: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is environmental regulation to protect New Mexico's land, air, and water?

(no label)

Briefly explain your answer:

**1 (Critical)**

I think we already are stewards of our state. The over burden is what hurts.

**Q22**

Regulation: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that New Mexico thoroughly review regulations to determine use and usefulness in regards to protecting citizens without unnecessarily overburdening business?

(no label)

Please explain your answer:

**1 (critical)**

Same as above

**Q23**

Land Grant Permanent Fund: Do you support or oppose increased distributions (above the current 5%) from the Land Grant Permanent Fund?

**Oppose,**

Please explain your answer:

This is for when there is no longer any Oil and Gas to bring in revenue. We are not their now.

**Q24**

Employment Laws: What is your position on government mandated employee benefits like sick leave, PTO,... etc?

**Oppose,**

Comments:

Small businesses can not compete when we mandate issues to them. We will continue to lose small mom and pop businesses if we ask them to provide the same options that the corporations do.

**Q25**

Employment Laws: In recent years, legislation is proposed each session concerning the state's minimum wage. Please state how you feel wages should be determined and explain your answer.

**Wages should be determined by allowing the free market or supply/demand to determine an appropriate amount**

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Please explain your answer:

Free market has proven to motivate growth. We need to allow the "free" market to determine wages and cost not the government.

**Q26**

Workforce Development: On a scale of 1 (critical) to 5 (unimportant), how important do you feel is it that New Mexico's higher learning institutions offer technical and trade related degrees and certifications?

(no label)

Explain your reasoning:

**1 (Critical)**

We chased the grade for too many years. We need more hands on vocational training.

**Q27**

Economic Incentives: On a scale of one (critical) to five (unimportant), how important is it that state incentives for businesses, such as LEDA, JTIP and tax abatement include mandatory achievement requirements for use of the money as well as enforceable claw back parameters, if those requirements are not met?

(no label)

Please explain your answer:

**1 (critical)**

These programs give us options to help start small businesses, and it has proven that it works to entice companies to locate in NM.

**Q28**

Do you support an Article V, Convention of States to address proposals that would limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, impose fiscal restraints (balanced budget amendment), and place term limits on federal officials?

**Yes,**

Please explain your answer:  
We need term limits.

**Q29**

Is there anything else you would like to share about your candidacy or your desire to serve the people of your district?

Thank you for allowing me to respond.