

2020 Candidate Questionnaire State Elections

How do you propose to get the North Carolina economy back on track after Covid-19 and prepare for the upcoming hurricane season?

As a Senator, I prioritized fiscally responsibly budgeting each and every year, putting North Carolina in a position to weather any storm. We put money into our Rainy Day Fund to make sure that when disaster struck, whether it was COVID-19 or the numerous hurricanes our state sees annually, North Carolina had money to immediately help those in need. As we continue to battle COVID-19, we need to find responsible ways to reopen our economy and get our citizens back to work, while protecting our first responders and our most vulnerable citizens.

If elected, what are your thoughts on passing a budget?

Unlike my opponent, who was the deciding vote cast against our state's budget and against teacher pay raises, I will prioritize passing a fiscally sound budget that funds our schools, raises teacher pay, and continues to create an environment in North Carolina that allows businesses to prosper.

Now that we almost have the private road NCDOT database, how would you prevent any new orphan roads from occurring?

I will continue to be a strong supporter of the Association of Realtors in preventing orphan roads from occurring across our state. We need to find commonsense solutions to the issues that have plagued our Department of Transportation and realtors.

What do you think the General Assembly needs to be paying attention to next year?

We need to focus on rebuilding our economy, creating jobs, and protecting the health and safety of our citizens.

How can the State fast track broadband to rural areas?

Our rural areas need broadband, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, and I will continue to fight for this when re-elected to the State Senate.