

Kathryn Starkey's 2010 Florida Issues Survey Results



Dear Fellow Republican,

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the 2010 Florida Issues Survey that I recently mailed you. I am happy to report that almost 1,000 of our Republican friends and neighbors in Florida House District 45 took the time to share their thoughts on these critical issues with me.

As I promised, I am sharing the results of the survey with you. Some of the opinions are clearcut; on other questions the opinions are more split. I appreciate you sharing your opinions with me. As your representative in Tallahassee, I will always remember that I am there to represent your opinions – not those of party leaders or special interests.

I look forward to seeing you on the campaign trail. Meanwhile, if you would like to talk with me further about these issues or any other please feel free to call me at 727-376-3046 or email me at Kathryn@kathrynstarkey.com.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Starkey
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Education

1. Do you support setting salaries of teachers partially according to test results of their students? 30% Yes **65% No** 5% NR
2. Do you support eliminating tenure or continuing contracts for teachers? **55% Yes** 42% No 3% NR
3. Do you favor use of public funds to help students attend private schools? 27% Yes **72% No** 1% NR

Taxes/Finance

1. Do you believe items purchased over the Internet should be subject to state sales tax just as items purchased in Florida stores are? 43% Yes **52% No** 5% NR
2. Do you support the expansion of gambling in Florida as a source of new revenue for state government? **63% Yes** 36% No 1% NR
3. Do you believe that the Legislature should be able to take money from trust funds, like the one used to build roads, to help fund general government operations? 7% Yes **92% No** 1% NR

Insurance

1. Do you support the plan recently passed in the U.S. Congress that will require most Americans to have health insurance? 18% Yes **82% No**
2. Would you support an effort to have Florida opt out of this new plan for required health insurance? . **82% Yes** 18% No
3. Do you believe that Floridians should be allowed to pay more for property insurance in order to secure coverage from a nationally known company of their choice? **49% Yes** 42% No 9% NR

General

1. Do you believe Florida should allow drilling for oil and gas in state waters, which are within 10 miles of the coast? 26% Yes **71% No** 3% NR
2. Do you believe that same sex couples should be allowed to adopt children in Florida? 40% Yes **58% No** 2% NR
3. Do you believe additional restrictions should be established on the use of hand held cell phones or texting while driving? **87% Yes** 13% No
4. Do you support the bill passed this year by the Florida Legislature to require women seeking an abortion to be shown an ultra-sound of her baby prior to the abortion? 48% Yes **50% No** 2% NR
5. Are you or any members of your family actively involved in "Tea Party" or "912" groups? 6% Yes **91% No** 3% NR
6. Which do you think is most important for our state today?
31% Lower property insurance rates 17% Reduce taxes 19% Improve our schools 40% Save coast from oil spill
48% Combat illegal immigration **51% Strengthen our economy** 17% Better healthcare

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