

Watchmen Voter Guide for Representative Legislative District 4a

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Question	<u>Jim Addis</u>
<p>2. To help Idaho's economy grow, do you support</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raising fees, (If so, which ones?) 2. Closing tax loopholes (If so, which ones?) 3. Raising income taxes (If so on whom?) 4. Raising the sales tax 5. Cutting spending (if so, what areas of the budget and by how much?) 	<p>I do not favor raising taxes. The Speaker appointed me as Idaho's representative to the NCSL's national State and Local Tax taskforce. I am currently studying closing certain loopholes and broadening the tax base, so we can reduce taxes overall, especially state income tax. I am still working on the panel and have not determined the specific loopholes. I do believe in cutting spending. I appreciate the Governor's cutting of 3% on state agencies, and his just announces 1% cut. I do think that local taxing entities need to follow suite.</p>
<p>3. When do you believe life begins?</p>	<p>At conception.</p>
<p>4. What is your view on Parental consent for a minor to get an abortion?</p>	<p>I believe in parental consent.</p>
<p>5. What do you consider the biggest health care issue for Idaho, and where do you stand on it?</p>	<p>Mental health and drug abuse...they are the precursor to most of Idaho's crime. Focusing on these issues will save society and the taxpayer in the long run.</p>
<p>6. How would you improve K-12 education in Idaho?</p>	<p>Improve standardization/transparency in budgeting across all school districts. If we have the data, easily obtained and understood by the general public, we WILL make the right decisions at the local level.</p>
<p>7. Do you support or oppose legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors?</p>	<p>Oppose.</p>
<p>8. What is your definition of marriage?</p>	<p>My definition is a man marrying a woman.</p>
<p>9. What is your opinion regarding freedom of choice for parents for the education of their children (School choice)?</p>	<p>I Support Homeschooling, Charter Schools, School Choice.</p>
<p>10. Do you support or oppose Urban Renewal Districts? Why or why not?</p>	<p>Properly run, URD's are another tool in the belt. I am very concerned that the tax increment going to the URD, and not to the taxing district, is causing us to pay more for services (police, fire, etc.). As admitted by Nampa's mayor, "The services required by new growth are not being paid for by new growth." In other words, we are subsidizing bringing more people to our communities, who are not paying for themselves, at our expense. This is wrong and needs to stop.</p>
<p>11. Do you support or oppose bathroom and locker room usage based on preferred gender identification? Why or why not?</p>	<p>I believe in bathroom and locker room use based on biological gender. I can see too many potential problems to do otherwise.</p>
<p>12. Do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?</p>	<p>I oppose legalizing marijuana. I believe it is a gateway drug, and we already have too many problems, and wasted lives, due to drug abuse.</p>
<p>13. Do you support or oppose the Prison Community Re-entry Center in Kootenai County? Why or why not?</p>	<p>I do not support it for Kootenai County. I do believe we need to provide support so we can minimize recidivism. Putting a center here would negatively affect our community, our people, and our tourism-based economy.</p>