Watchmen Voter Guide for Legislative District #4 State Representative - Position B

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	Paul Amador	Larry Bieber	Elaine Price
 What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position? When do you believe life begins and how does this belief affect the legislation you will 	Declined to Respond Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond Declined to Respond	Elaine Price, Idaho State Representative 4b We are told only certain people are qualified to run for office. We are told we need to ask a specific group permission to run for office. I disagree. The citizens give the power to the government not the other way around. Average citizens like me need to step up and run for office. I am choosing to do just that. I have talked to many people who say they moved to Idaho or live in Idaho because it is a conservative republican strong hold. They have been seeing those values eroded away. We can choose to sit and watch it erode or we can fight to save our state. I'm choosing to fight for our state, the constitution, and conservative values. Life begins at conception. My conservative beliefs are what guide me when making decision, they will guide me when supporting or opposing legislation.
support? 3. What are the top three issues that you feel the legislature needs to address?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	My top three priorities are: Closing the loophole in the emergency declaration that allowed the extension beyond the 60 days as stated in the declaration. Making sure all three branches are working together during an emergency. Protecting our minor children from grooming and sexualization. Holding our schools and libraries accountable for content set before our minor children. Repealing the grocery tax. We have a surplus right now. We have time to craft ways to reduce spending to cover the potential loss of this revenue stream.
4. What do you consider the biggest health care issue for Idaho, and where do you stand on it?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	There are several issues we are facing in Kootenai County. First, we are lacking health care workers for various reasons one being they were forced to choose between being vaccinated to continue to work or refusing to be vaccinated and losing their job. Another is the gentrification of our community. We will be facing a shortage of assisted living homes or other care facilities as well as hospital and rehab facilities. I have heard of several home based health care businesses starting up and I would like to see us encourage those businesses to fill in the gaps we could be facing in the future.
5. Idaho's school system has a lot of room for improvement, how would you legislate to improve K-12 education in Idaho?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	The solution is not to keep throwing money at our school system. I am for letting the money follow the student. We must pay our teachers what they are worth and not overload them with being counselors and social workers. We need to eliminate social emotional learning and CRT in our schools. This alone is causing increased mental stress for our children. We should also eliminate the sexualization of our children happening in our school libraries. We need to be protecting our children from being groomed. We must stop the normalization of sexual issues that are being introduced to our children at such a young age. I would support legislation that eliminated these things within our schools.

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6. Do you support or oppose legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I would support legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors. Minors should not make these decisions.
7. If elected, how will you ensure that you are aligned with your North Idaho constituents' values and how your voting record will reflect those values?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I will ask for input and listen to my constituents. I will never forget that I work for the people. I will make myself available to the people, through participation in townhalls and email. I would be willing to do meet and greets as well. I work for the constituents and will not put my North Idaho values aside for a political career.
8. What is your definition of marriage?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	My definition is the biblical definition which defines marriage between one man and one woman.
9. In recent years, sexually explicit materials have invaded public schools and libraries. In your opinion are these materials appropriate for minors under 18 years old?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	Absolutely not. We are failing our children with normalization of sex to them. We need to remove the exemption for schools and libraries that allows this material to be in the hands of minors. We have a law that prohibits access to these materials on the internet this needs to be extended to written materials as well.
10. What is your opinion regarding freedom of choice for parents for the education of their children, for example School choice?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I am in favor of the money following the student. School choice should be made easy for all. If the money follows the student more parents will have choices for their children.
11. Migration from other states has caused property taxes for current homeowners to substantially increase. What legislation would you recommend to prevent the property tax increases that are causing financial burden and forcing some owners out of their homes?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I am for less government, so I don't want to see them involved in areas they are not already. We need to find ways to encourage commercial development to help switch the tax burden back to a more equal balance. It has recently switched from commercial to residential and that is part of the cause of the financial burden. Property tax is also based on government spending, we need to find ways to reduce spending. I would be for a temporary increase in the circuit breaker (a tax relief program for seniors) or to adjust the qualifying home price so those that are being affected by the artificial increase in home prices do not loose their homes.

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12. In your opinion, should the House of Representatives and the Senate have their own attorney/legal representation apart from the Attorney General?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	Yes.
13. In recent years some groups have advocated for legalizing marijuana in our state, do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I oppose the legalization of marijuana. I know of many who used it as a gateway drug into a life of substance abuse.
14. What is your background and why do you believe it qualifies you for this position?	Declined to Respond	Declined to Respond	I am a blue-collar worker who cares about our country and the constitution. I was born and raised in Iowa in a Conservative Christian family. My experience, education, and skills, all of which I have, are not qualifications to represent a districts constituency in the legislature. Idaho code 34-chapter 6 section 34 defines those qualifications, all of which I meet. We have trusted our state leaders to work for the people and they do not. I will be the real voice of North Idaho in Boise.