

**Watchmen Voter Guide for Legislative District #2 State Representative - Position A**

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[Heather Scott](#)

<p><b>1.</b> What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?</p>	<p>My name is Heather Scott. I am running unopposed for the new House Seat – District 2A. My belief is that the purpose of government is to work for the people, in a limited defined role as laid out in our federal and state constitutions. I am running for his particular office because I believe my continued efforts to limit government and give local constituents a voice in Idaho government provides a benefit to North Idaho and I want to continue to work to stop overreach and unconstitutional actions by the federal government. My qualifications include the fact that I am currently doing the job of a state legislator in District Seat 1A and have been for the past 8 years. My goals are to return Idaho to an independent sovereign state that operates with fiscal responsibility, resists federal money and protects the rights Idaho citizens. Another goal I have is to change the current leadership direction of the House of Representatives.</p> <p>Government work as I see it first and foremost is to protect the individual rights and freedoms of the citizenry over which they govern. This may include assisting in certain aspects of citizens’ lives to maintain order in society through laws and rules that are fair and equal but not burdensome; to provide infrastructure that is open to all and paid for by fair and equitable fees or taxing; and to maintain the least amount of intrusion into families, private businesses and personal liberties while protecting the livelihoods and private assets from threats both foreign and domestic.</p>
<p><b>2.</b> When do you believe life begins and how does this belief affect the legislation you will support?</p>	<p>I believe life begins at conception without exception. I have always voted for true prolife legislation and I have been the sponsor the Idaho Abortion Human Rights legislation for the last three sessions. We have not got it passed into law yet but I am confident we can once we change the makeup of the House and Senate and educate the citizenry.</p>
<p><b>3.</b> What are the top three issues that you feel the legislature needs to address?</p>	<p>1) Real and complete protection of the unborn; 2) ending the covid emergency; 3) public education reform from K thru university.</p>
<p><b>4.</b> What do you consider the biggest health care issue for Idaho, and where do you stand on it?</p>	<p>Vaccine mandates and vaccine-based health care preferential treatment – both of which I oppose.</p>
<p><b>5.</b> Idaho’s school system has a lot of room for improvement, how would you legislate to improve K-12 education in Idaho?</p>	<p>I would and do support school vouchers; homeschool tax incentives; greater parental control over curriculum; outlawing Common Core and CRT teaching. I also believe getting the smut and pornography out of schools should be a priority for the legislature and governor’s office. I really do not think government run schools are the best way to educate our children.</p>

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<b>6.</b> Do you support or oppose legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors?	I have and would oppose any legislation that would allow gender reassignment treatment/surgery including hormone blockers for minors as well the use of any public funds this type of actions for any person, minor or adult.
<b>7.</b> 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?	I believe that North Idaho citizens are freedom loving conservatives. I am a strong conservative who has maintained one of the highest Idaho Freedom Foundation's (IFF) freedom index and spending index (for low spending) scores for of all legislators for the last eight years. I am also rated high on the American Conservative Union (ACU) and Club for Growth's conservative scoring list. I have been a strong supporter of the Republican party since entering politics in 2014 around the time of the Tea Party Movement. I believe that all of the above reflects the majority citizens in my district.
<b>8.</b> What is your definition of marriage?	Marriage is between one man and one woman, just how God designed it.
<b>9.</b> 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?	These sexually explicit materials are not appropriate in our public schools or libraries or frankly anywhere public tax dollars are used. I have been addressing this very issue in my recent newsletter related to House Bill 666.
<b>10.</b> What is your opinion regarding freedom of choice for parents for the education of their children, for example School choice?	As stated above, I would and do support school vouchers; homeschool tax incentives; greater parental control over curriculum; outlawing Common Core and CRT teaching. Parents need greater control over their children's education and their school boards but parents must also remain involved and engaged with their children school during their entire k-12 era.

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<b>11.</b> 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?	Property taxes can be controlled by limiting the growth and wasteful spending that occurs at municipal, county and state levels. With all the people moving into North Idaho, our taxes should be going down. Instead, counties and cities are spending more and growing. Limiting the growth of government is one step. Another is to develop a new and improved property tax via questioning our current property tax if they show conflict between costs and services. The Idaho legislature should never use rubber-stamp policies because of their common negative long-term effects. Adding measures like defining residential vs corporate property, to ensure businesses are paying fair and adequate taxes and not allowing vacation homes and other non-primary dwellings to be given the same tax breaks as a primary residence.
<b>12.</b> In your opinion, should the House of Representatives and the Senate have their own attorney/legal representation apart from the Attorney General?	Yes. The House and the Senate should not be intertwined with the executive branch, which includes the AG office.
<b>13.</b> 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?	I oppose legalizing pot. I believe it opens Idaho to the social and economic pitfalls and troublesome issues now being witnessed in other states like CO, WA and OR.
<b>14.</b> What is your background and why do you believe it qualifies you for this position?	I have lived in north Idaho for the last 24 years. I am married to my husband, Andrew. I have a bachelor's of science in biology and prior to becoming a state legislator, I spent 20 years working in the natural resources/engineering consulting field working primarily on fish and wildlife issues related to hydroelectric projects. Currently I am a small business owner and an Idaho State Representative.