

Idaho State Representative District 3a

	Vito Barbieri	Melissa Mateer
1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	Vito Barbieri Idaho House seat 3A I have been in the Idaho House since first being elected in 2010 (2011 Session). I have the relationships, knowledge, and experience in working on behalf of North Idaho's Christian conservative ideology.	No Response Received
2. When do you believe life begins and how does this belief affect the legislation you will support?	Life begins at conception. This is the foundation with which we outlawed abortion in Idaho.	No Response Received
3. What are the top three issues that you feel the legislature needs to address?	1. It's constitutional power to review rules for approval or rejection. 2. Keeping taxes as low as possible and slowing the growth and power of government agencies. 3. Protecting the liberty of every Idaho citizen from digital ID restrictions.	No Response Received
4. What do you consider the biggest health care issue for Idaho, and where do you stand on it?	I'm sure many believe that personal mental health is the biggest health care issue. However, the COST of health care is the true issue. Are taxpayers paying for 'health' care or 'sick' care? Idaho allotted somewhere around 6 BILLION dollars to providers for Medicaid associated 'health' care. It is impossible to keep the growth of taxpayer funds to 'health' care at this present rate. Something is going to give.	No Response Received
5. Do you support or oppose legislation to prohibit gender reassignment treatment/surgery on minors?	Oppose. Another example of mental health going insane.	No Response Received
6. If elected, how will you ensure that you are aligned with your North Idaho constituents' values and how will your voting record reflect those values?	You may take a look at my voting record for the last 16 years. "No" on budget increases, "No" on increased agency power, "Yes" on outlawing killing babies in their mom's womb.	No Response Received
7. Do you support or oppose Digital IDs in the State of Idaho? Why or why not?	Oppose. It is part of the electronic cage being built to keep the population contained. 15 minute cities, 'affordable' housing, electric cars are all part of the same scheme.	No Response Received

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8. What is your opinion on the use of Central Bank Digital Currency? Would you support this for Idaho?	No, but it appears inevitable. In 1995 Idaho passed, along with every other state, the Uniform Commercial Code title that passes 'control' of you bank account (money) to override 'ownership' of those funds. We must resist this CBDC move by using cash at every opportunity. Keep the right to use cash in every financial transaction.	No Response Received
9. What is your definition of marriage?	Biblical bond, taken by mutual vows, between a man and a woman.	No Response Received
10. The cost of electricity is increasing across the state of Idaho. What legislation would you recommend to help increase electrical generation and independence in Idaho while still allowing power companies to remain profitable?	I am the chairman of the House Energy, environment, and technology committee. So when I say that this issue is complex and multifaceted, I am not exaggerating. We need more dams: (Very expensive and will take decades to plan and complete); We need mini- and micro-reactors to power data centers: (At least 10 years out before they are ready for deployment.) Even natural gas generation is 3 to 5 years out to get the generating machinery in place. And that is assuming we can build another natural gas pipeline because the we are almost at capacity on the line(s) we have. The cost of electricity is going up. The question remains, can we get enough electricity to avoid brownouts in the future?	No Response Received
11. What legislation would you recommend to prevent property tax increases that are causing a financial burden and forcing some owners out of their homes?	The best suggestion I have heard is a multi state compact wherein a sales tax is applied universally. A consumption tax is the fairest tax, in my opinion. Another idea being floated is a micro-percentage tax on all electronic financial transactions, be they credit, debit, securities, bonds, derivatives, etc. Property tax is the most unfair, the most burdensome, and the outrageous idea and never should have been implemented. But here we are, so we must shift that burden onto another taxing paradigm.	No Response Received
12. In your opinion, if elected, who do you see yourself accountable to and why?	The voters in my district. The taxpayers in my district. NOT the state agencies. NOT the unions. NOT the cities or the county.	No Response Received
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?	Oppose. The costs outweigh any medical benefit. Marijuana is not conducive to a productive society. Productive people are a necessity for any stable culture. America is becoming increasing UN-stable, and one may wonder what role the decriminalization of so called 'recreational' drugs.	No Response Received

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14. Is there anything in your personal, business, or career life that would be a conflict of interest in your ability to serve the people of Idaho?	No. If a conflict arises within the context of a bill, we disclose it upon voting.	No Response Received
15. What is your background and why do you feel it qualifies you for this position?	Practiced law for 20 years. Paid taxes for more than 50 years. Have a family. Am presently in business. Read my bible every morning.v	No Response Received