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Should Virginia use federal funding to expand Medicaid that bridges the gap between the current Medicaid program and qualifying for marketplace subsidies?

No - Medicaid is already almost 20% of the state budget. We need comprehensive health care reform. Just throwing more money at the problem is fiscally irresponsible and has limited benefits.

Should Virginia provide health care coverage for those under 18, regardless of immigration status?

No - Medicaid alone is almost 20% of the state budget. Virginia cannot afford to provide free health care for everyone under 18.

Do you support state and/or local law enforcement agencies volunteer to become deputized ICE agents and enforce civil immigration laws by signing a 287(g) agreement?

No - no comments

Should all age-eligible individuals who pass the driving exam be allowed a driver's license, regardless of immigration status?

No - We lack a good cost/benefit analysis. Taxpayer funding of services for illegal immigrants who generally do not pay state income tax should be very limited

Do you support policies that protect cooperating victims of crime and witnesses from routine immigration inquiries by law enforcement?

Yes - We must ensure safety and law and order for ALL Virginians.

Should the minimum wage be raised to \$15 in Virginia?

No - A \$15 minimum wage would be catastrophic for Virginia's economy, particularly in low cost-of-living areas. I would allow for local experimentation.





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Should Virginia rescind its "right to work" law?

No - Virginia's right to work laws are popular. Labor laws in general should be reformed to reduce government interference in consensual employment relationships

Should the state establish a new top tax rate bracket (current top bracket is \$17,000) and update our current brackets to account for inflation?

Yes - State income tax should be eliminated for the first \$60,000 of household income. The \$60,000 exemption should be indexed to inflation.

Should Virginia protect/expand funding for programs that benefit English Language Learners?

Yes - Virginia has an obligation to provide quality English language education for its students

Should college in-state tuition rates be available to any student who graduates from a Virginia high school, regardless of immigration status?

No - In-state tuition rates are for families who have subsidized Virginia colleges by paying Virginia state income tax

What strategies do you support to expand college affordability?

Encourage use and availability of on-line courses and focus government support for higher education on those with the greatest need and merit

What steps would you take to improve language access of state documents and agencies to English Language Learners?

Access to government documents for all citizens is essential. At a minimum, machine translations of all government documents should be made available





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Do you support no excuse absentee voting?

Yes - We should encourage voting and political participation by all Virginians

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