2018 Candidate Questionnaire


Candidate’s Name__________________________________________________________

Office Sought: ____________________________________________________________ District: ______________

Party:   ____Democrat     ___Republican   ___Independent    ___Other:______________________________

Campaign manager:________________________________________________________________________

Campaign phone: ________________________ Campaign email: ________________________________

Campaign website: _________________________________________________________________________

Campaign social media accounts: __________________________________________________________

Qualifications (brief biography):

How can Equality South Dakota PAC assist you?

___Money          ___Campaign consulting          ___Endorsement
___Volunteers     ___Mailings                     ___Other_________________________

ISSUES

1. Restroom restrictions  There have been repeated legislative attempts to restrict restroom access for
   transgender South Dakotans, such as HB 1296 in the last session. In 2016, Governor Daugaard vetoed South
   Dakota’s ‘transgender bathroom bill’, which would have required students to use the restrooms and locker
   rooms that correspond to their sex at birth. Would you oppose or support a bill with such restrictions?

   ___Oppose restrictions           ___Support restrictions

   Comments:
2. **Non-discrimination**  In South Dakota, it is legal to fire or refuse to hire someone just because they are lesbian, gay, bisexual, heterosexual or transgender. It is also legal to deny LGBTQ access to housing and public accommodations. More than 430 of the Fortune 500 companies have already adopted inclusive anti-discrimination policies and 74% of Americans support legislation that would ban employment discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity by state and local governments. In concept, would you support such a non-discrimination bill?  

___Yes  ___No  
Would you be willing to sponsor or co-sponsor such legislation?   

___Yes  ___No  
Comments:

3. **Religious exemption**  South Dakota passed SB 149 in 2017, allowing taxpayer-funded agencies the ability to refuse service based on religious or moral beliefs. Other bills have been introduced that would have further allowed individuals, businesses and groups in areas like retail and customer service to legally discriminate against LGBTQ people, single parents, unmarried couples and people of non-Christian religions, based on their religious and moral beliefs.  

Would you be opposed or supportive if a similar bill is introduced in the next session?  

_____Opposed  _____Supportive  
Comments:

4. **Education**  During the 2018 session, legislators introduced SB 160, which would have prohibited any instruction on ‘gender identity’ or ‘gender expression’ in kindergarten through seventh grade. Would you oppose or support similar restrictions on LGBTQ topics for educators?  

_____Oppose restrictions  _____Support restrictions  
Comments:

5. **What are some of your key campaign issues?**

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Candidate Signature  Date  

Thank you for completing our questionnaire!  
Submit by Aug 27th to pac@eqsd.org / By mail: Equality South Dakota PAC, 928 8th Street Brookings, SD 57006  
Or complete online at: http://bit.ly/2018EQSD