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Page 1: Candidate Information

Q1

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Page 2: COVID-19 Response and Recovery

Q8

What steps do you think our state and/or counties should take to aid this recovery? Some examples could include how you think federal funds should be spent, diversifying the state's economy, etc.

The economy needs to recover and I agree with what I read. The budget is really in shambles. Too many politicians are making decisions without prioritizing. Almost seems the spokesperson/elected is being controlled by the voting organizations support. The voting system should change, by not accepting any monies to win election. Hawaii Voters reform. The only method of voting should be with a Bio and debate.

The plan that was introduced by this institute will be a great start but it would take too long. Really want to recover? Introduce a 5 year pilot Lottery program. Studies have shown States that have this program do not have a Tax problem/issues.

For example, Las Vegas does not need the lottery because they have gambling and they too don't have a tax issue. As a matter of fact Clark County Sales tax is 0%. Alaska, Florida, Nevada, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, have no income tax.

We need to be creative. If people in Hawaii want the physicality of touching a machine then fly to Vegas. Keep in mind not all have the opportunity to fly. This would allow all residents of Hawaii to pour money into our own community.

Federal funds should stay where it has or is allocated for. The big problems the Grassroots Institute has already shared, very thorough work.

Highway funds can be eliminated, because its already coming out of the GETF. The post employment taxes is another one that can be eliminated. Companies have 401k plans and most of this is matched. These are just two of many other areas taxes could be cut as well as the ones shared by the Institute.

Lets fix this before I answer the question. Special funds are allocated specifically for Highway, roads etc..however, these funds are transferred to the General funds for a specific purposes, salaries, wages and fringe benefits.

Our elected is not standing in the void for the people of Hawaii.

Beef up the economy by keeping the public safe, improving healthcare. Social Security, Healthcare, Medicare and Medicaid reform need to be revisited.

Q9

Please share some of the efforts you have led or participated in response to COVID-19.

I have not led any efforts of keeping the state/county safe. I have participated in a different capacity by providing and volunteering 98% and Stipend 2% of my work.

I am responsible for \$9.4 billion dollars of compensation and benefits being awarded to veterans and their families, within a single year. I also signed 35% more POA's.

On average my VFW office located at Tripler Army Medical Center, produce 300-500 correspondence per month according to statistics and monthly reports. Also, awarding over \$100,000.00 dollars per month in disability claims. I have also assisted placing homeless veterans in homes utilizing agencies and resources available.

Q10

Additional thoughts/comments:

Social Security, Medicaid, Medicare and Public Safety should be among other improvements to include infrastructure.

Page 3: Tobacco and E-Cigarette Regulations

Q11

What policies do you think the state and/or counties should enact to reduce tobacco and e-cigarette use?

Not healthy at all. Get rid of these cigarettes or tax it.

Q12

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

Apply a tobacco tax to e-cigarettes, such as a percentage of the wholesale cost or taxing e-liquid by volume. **Strongly Support**

Prohibit the sale of all flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes and flavored e-liquids. **Strongly Support**

Increase the tobacco tax on cigarettes to help smokers quit and prevent new users from starting. **Strongly Support**

Q13

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments:

Page 4: Healthy Eating + Active Living

Q14

What steps do you think the state and/or counties should take to ensure food security for all of Hawaii's people, and to significantly increase food self-sufficiency for our state?

Farming in Hawaii should be encouraged.

Q15

In 2019, Hawai'i made a commitment to adopt Vision Zero, an initiative to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. What policies and infrastructure changes should the state and/or counties make to achieve this goal?

Is the intent to tax the public to support this Vision Zero initiative? If it is my answer is no, I don't support it.

Q16

Respondent skipped this question

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

Q17

Additional thoughts/comments:

Please don't introduce programs that will increase taxes. There are other options.

Page 5: Oral Health

Q18

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

Reinstate coverage of preventative dental benefits for Adult Medicaid participants. **Strongly Support**

Fluoridation of community water supplies is an effective way to prevent tooth decay. **Strongly Support**

Q19

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments:

Page 6: Alcohol Regulations

Q20

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Repeal of the alcohol takeout laws that allow people to buy and take home liquor-based mixed drinks from restaurants. **Support**
- Repeal of alcohol delivery laws that allow restaurants to deliver beer and liquor-based mixed drinks to people's homes. **Support**
- Increase in enforcement that helps ensure that youth do not access alcohol through existing laws allowing for alcohol takeout and delivery. **Support**

Q21

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments:

Page 7: Marijuana Regulations

Q22

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Do you support legalizing recreational marijuana sales in Hawai'i? **Strongly Support**
- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that marijuana be regulated by the Department of Health? **Oppose**
- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the price of marijuana be regulated? **Support**
- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the promotion and advertisement of marijuana sales be regulated? **Support**
- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that marijuana potency be regulated? **Support**
- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the number and placement of marijuana outlets be regulated? **Oppose**

Q23

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments:

Page 8: Economic Justice

Q24

What are your immediate plans to help make Hawai'i more affordable for its residents?

Do not raise taxes. It is not the public's fault for the budget being mismanaged.

Q25

What is the role of government in addressing housing affordability issues and what would you do to encourage the production of more affordable homes for Hawai'i residents?

I don't have any trust affordable homes projects. As soon as it is built its not affordable anymore.

Q26

Please indicate your position on the following policies:

Increase the state's minimum wage in a series of annual steps to a living wage of \$17 per hour. **Strongly Support**

Create a statewide Paid Family Leave Program, which would allow up to 12 weeks for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition. **Strongly Support**

Q27

Additional thoughts/comments:

Raising minimum wages will pour more money into our community. The more we make, the more we spend.
