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Contest

State House

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Senate District

Respondent skipped this question

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District

Respondent skipped this question

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Residency area

Page 7: District - Honolulu City Council

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District

Page 8: Economic Stability & Kūpuna

Q8
Creation of a statewide Paid Family Leave Social Insurance Program, to allow up to 12 weeks of paid leave for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition.
Position **Strongly Oppose**

Q9
Allocating funds and other resources to improve access to, quality of, and coverage for home-and-community-based services that support aging in place among older adults.
Position **Strongly Oppose**

Q10
Allocating funds and other resources to bolster the capacity of kūpuna-serving programs/organizations by increasing workforce training, education, certification, and career development opportunities.
Position **Strongly Oppose**

Q11
Providing/increasing tax credits for out-of-pocket caring costs for unpaid family caregivers of kūpuna and/or those with disabilities.
Position **Strongly Support**

Q12

Additional thoughts/comments:

As a Republican, I don't believe in growing government by creating laws separating hard working people from their earnings to solve problems through government bureaucratic employees, who care more about maintaining their job rather solving this issue at hand. Problems are solved by those who apply sound business principles. Bureaucracies are unaccountable for their failures. Their answer is to throw more money at a problem rather than sound, logical and sound principles.

Page 9: Tobacco Regulations

Q13

Regulating e-cigarettes in the same manner as how the State regulates other tobacco products, through tax parity, licensing and permitting requirements, and restricting online sales to licensed sellers only, and not directly to consumers.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q14

Ending, without exception, the sale of all tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars and e-cigarettes, that contain a characterizing flavor, such as menthol, fruit flavors, and candy flavors.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q15

Authorizing counties to enact stricter restrictions on the sale of and access to tobacco products than what is provided at the state level.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q16

Additional thoughts/comments

Informed people have the right to make their own decisions; the US is supposed to be a free country. You can outlaw most anything but you won't make it any less popular.

Page 10: Healthy Eating and Active Living

Q17

Setting Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program benchmarks and decreasing barriers to SRTS programming through the creation of an SRTS Advisory Council within the Department of Transportation.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

Enacting a 2 cent-per-ounce fee on sugar-sweetened beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Q19

Ensuring that every student in Hawai'i at every grade level (PreK-12) has regular access to comprehensive agricultural and nutrition education programs linked to core curriculum (e.g. science, math, language arts).

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q20

Increasing state investment for implementation of the Hawai'i Farm to School Program (Act 175, 2021), including meeting the goal of 30% local school food within the Hawai'i Department of Education by 2030.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q21

Additional thoughts/comments:

"Increasing state investment" is another way of saying increasing the burden of heavier taxes upon a people who a hard enough time paying their bills. Children are the responsibility of their parent(s) and parents can educate their children on what to eat and what not to eat. Parents have abdicated control of their children to the state for far too long.

Page 11: Oral Health

Q22

Investing in dental workforce education programs on Neighbor Islands.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q23

Allocating funds to the Department of Health to restore an Oral Health Division.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q24

Expanding student loan forgiveness for dentists that provide care to Medicaid patients.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q25

Additional thoughts/comments

Investing, allocating funds and expanding student loan forgiveness continues to put a heavier burden on those who are living in Hawaii. People don't appreciate things that given to them rather than those that are earned.

Page 12: Community Health Workforce Development

Q26

Establishing a certification process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q27

Establishing a licensing process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q28

Incorporating Community Health Workers as a profession into Medicaid services and contracts with the State of Hawai'i.

Position: **Strongly Oppose**

Q29

Additional thoughts/comments

Government programs, such as Medicaid, are too vulnerable to abuse and misappropriation. Charities and volunteerism is the pathway for those who cannot afford medicine, medical procedures, etc.

Page 13: Alcohol & Cannabis Regulations

Q30

Lowering the blood alcohol concentration (BAC) for impaired driving from .08 to .05 BAC.

Position **Oppose**

Q31

Enacting a dime-per-drink fee on alcoholic beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position **Strongly Oppose**

Q32

Respondent skipped this question

Housing the regulatory structure of any legalized recreational cannabis program under Department of Health, rather than other agencies, such as the Department of Taxation.

Q33

Additional thoughts/comments

The last question is unanswered because it assumes that one believes in legalizing cannabis, which I don't agree with. I do not want to see any legalizing of cannabis unless it is under extreme medical scrutiny like any other drug substance. Present medical legalizing of cannabis for medical reasons is being taken advantage of (people who aren't truly sick and in pain) and this is not what the law should allow.
