

Anchorage Tea Party

Alaska State Legislature Candidate Questionnaire 2012

You may use as much space as you like for your responses, including additional pages. Your responses will be posted on our website, and hard copies will be made available to attendees at our June 25, 2012 candidate forum.

Candidate Name: Roman R. Romanovski _____ House X or Senate _____ District 16

1. Give your opinion on a rotating legislative session to be held in each of the three largest cities in Alaska. What are your ideas for providing Alaska citizens' better access to the legislature?

This would be an increased cost to government but I think it makes sense because we have such a big state and the people need access to their government. I would also support giving rural residents greater access via teleconferencing and live streaming of state government in their town halls.

2. What must Alaska do to increase our oil-related revenues?

Keep oil in the pipe by whatever means necessary. I don't know as much about the oil as the Big 3 oil companies but lower taxes or subsidizing production sound like a good start. Also pulling leases from companies that don't produce and re-leasing to companies that will, should help get the ball rolling.

3. What is your position on "Loser Pays" tort reform legislation for Alaska?

I think the "loser" should be limited to paying only double what the loser spent in bringing the case. If a defendant over spends in its defense the plaintiff should not be held liable.

4. What is the one most important thing we can do to improve education in Alaska and how will you facilitate that?

It is a tie in my mind between scrapping NCLB and instituting a voucher program.

5. Give examples of capital budget projects you favor spending state monies on.

An All-Alaska Gas Line, the people own the resource and if we truly want development we need to put some skin in the game. It is an investment that will pay for itself.

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6. Do you believe this year's state operating budget is too high, just right, or too low? If too high, name three programs in which you would make cuts. If too low, list the areas that need more spending.

Too high, I can't point to three programs that I would cut. I think to bring down the costs of operating our government we need to look at reforming/restructuring medic-aid and the unfunded liabilities of our defined benefit and pension programs.

7. What is your interpretation of the Tenth Amendment of the United States Constitution and how it relates to states' rights? Give specific examples relating to Alaska.

I think the tenth amendment is directly at odds with the sixteenth amendment. As long as the federal government can take the money of Alaskans and then require them to give up their sovereignty in order to get it back we will never be free of BIG Government.

8. Name four things Alaska can and should do to reduce health care costs.

Eat Healthy, Exercise, Don't drink or smoke

Deregulate

Tort Reform

Reduce government involvement and allow more competition

9. Do you support the current processes for Alaska judicial appointments and retentions? Why or why not?

Alaskans should be allowed to vote on retention of judges more often or be allowed to recall them.

10. List any restrictions you personally will have (or have) on contributions to your campaign such as a dollar cap, accepting contributions from public-sector or private unions, PACs, etc. Please provide details and justification.

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I think the limits set forth By APOC are more than adequate and I will not be limiting myself further. That being said I am not selling out my political philosophy to the highest bidder. I won't flip-flop just for money. I am certain that my "Right to Work " stance means I won't be accepting money from public employee unions.

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