



FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS
Candidate Questionnaire Project

2018 CANDIDATE RESPONSE
Florida House of Representatives District 47

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Do you support or oppose...

ABORTION REGULATION: Requiring parental consent before a minor child's abortion, notwithstanding previous judicial concerns?

OPPOSE

Optional Candidate Comment: *We already have parental notification in Florida. If the minor has been raped by their guardian, seeking parental consent might be impossible, if not dangerous.*

I would rather we focus the conversation on prevention, and support a minor in whatever decision they decide to make alongside their trusted family, doctor, and god.

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE: Increasing access to care for uninsured Floridians, especially the working poor?

SUPPORT

Optional Candidate Comment: *I have been a long time supporter of Medicaid Expansion, standing alongside faith leaders who support this effort too.*

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Using all state housing trust funds as intended to address affordable housing needs in Florida?

SUPPORT

Optional Candidate Comment: *Absolutely, we must protect this fund.*

DEATH PENALTY REPEAL: Ending Florida's use of the death penalty while preserving the alternative of a life sentence without parole?

SUPPORT

Optional Candidate Comment: *Yes!*

END-OF-LIFE PROTECTION: Preserving Florida law that bans physician-assisted suicide?

NO RESPONSE

Optional Candidate Comment: *This is a delicate topic, I would want to hear from my constituents first.*

FREEDOM TO SERVE: Allowing individuals and organizations the freedom to serve the public in accord with reasoned conscientious beliefs related to sexuality and marriage?

NO RESPONSE

Optional Candidate Comment: *Would want to learn more about your perspectives on this. Religious exemptions are already common, especially around birth control.*

IMMIGRATION: Urging Congress to undertake extensive immigration reform, rather than adopting piecemeal state policies?

SUPPORT

Optional Candidate Comment: *Of course, and have been on the forefront of the #KeepFamiliesTogether movement.*

I have had the honor of working alongside our local Catholic Charities on issues that pertain to immigration and refugees and look forward to finding more things we can work together on.

JUVENILE JUSTICE: Establishing that children under 14 shall not be transferred to the adult criminal justice system?

SUPPORT

Optional Candidate Comment: *Amen.*

PARENTAL EMPOWERMENT: Creating education savings accounts to use for nonpublic school tuition?

NO RESPONSE

Optional Candidate Comment: *Would need to learn more.*

SAFETY OF SCHOOLCHILDREN: Expanding existing legislative initiatives to harden the physical security of nonpublic schools?

SUPPORT