



FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS  
2020 Candidate Questionnaire Project



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**DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE...**

**ABORTION LIMITS:** Prohibiting abortion when a fetus has reached 20 weeks gestation and has the capacity to feel pain? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: Planned Parenthood should not receive any tax money.*

**ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE:** Increasing health coverage options for uninsured Floridians, especially the unemployed and the working poor? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: It's not the government's responsibility to provide health insurance. In good times and bad I prioritize my finances and purchase health insurance for my family. Cost does have to be looked at*

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

*Optional Comments: Trust fund is something that is earmarked such as social security was supposed to be but has since been merged with the general tax revenue.*

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE:** Authorizing courts to impose a sentence less than the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for nonviolent crimes? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: Sentencing needs to be uniform for a specific crime. Mitigating circumstances taken into consideration.*

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

*Optional Comments: This would have to be something to be decided on individual cases with victim families input. The cost is a major burden on tax payers with average 10 year of appeals or no parole.*

**END-OF-LIFE PROTECTION:** Preserving Florida law that bans doctor-prescribed suicide? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: I believe there are other alternatives. Palliative care.*

**FREEDOM TO SERVE:** Allowing health care providers and workers the freedom to serve in accord with their conscience? **SUPPORT**

**PARENTAL EMPOWERMENT:** Eliminating the requirement to attend public school the year prior to receiving a state scholarship for K-12 non-public schools? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: Both my children attended Catholic school from preschool through 12 grade. My daughter is now a teacher and my son a firefighter.*

**PROTECTING WORKERS:** Requiring drinking water, shade, and annual heat illness training be provided for farmworkers and other outdoor workers? **SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: Most of my working career has been outdoors. I'm retired law enforcement and military. This should be common sense.*

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM:** Respecting the autonomy of non-public schools to maintain policies that distinguish dress codes and other aspects of student life on the biological basis of sex?

**SUPPORT**

*Optional Comments: Dress standards and hygiene were a standard even in public school when I grew up in NYC*