

## NONPARTISAN CANDIDATE GUIDE: 2018 PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR'S RACE

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<b>Abortion:</b> Mostly ban or mostly legal?	Ban. Co-sponsor of bill to <a href="#">ban after 20 weeks, with exceptions only to save life of mother, not for rape or incest.</a>	Legal. Vetoed post-20-week ban. <a href="#">Make sure “that women continue to have the right to make their own decisions.”</a>
<b>Campaign Finance:</b> Tighten campaign finance rules?	<a href="#">May be open to idea. Supports increased limits on lobbyists.</a>	<a href="#">Yes, limit contributions. Add same-day voting, automatic voter registration &amp; nonpartisan redistricting.</a>
<b>Climate Change:</b> Consider climate change a serious threat?	No. <a href="#">Earlier suggested heat from human bodies &amp; planet moving closer to the sun were causes of global warming. Recently acknowledged human impact.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">“The science of climate change is settled... Reduce Pennsylvania’s carbon emissions... by promoting a cleaner energy mix.”</a>
<b>Climate Change:</b> Support government limits on greenhouse gases? Support participation in <a href="#">US Climate Alliance</a> , a coalition of states committed to climate change action.	No. Opposes regulatory overregulation. <a href="#">Government should also pare down regulations on natural gas drilling industry.</a>	<a href="#">Supports limiting greenhouse gases, but hasn’t joined Climate Alliance. Says PA is on target to exceed the Paris climate agreement without joining the Alliance.</a>
<b>Contraception:</b> Can employers withhold contraceptive coverage if disagree with it?	No public statement found.	No. Supports <a href="#">state law requiring employers to cover birth control at no cost.</a>
<b>Courts:</b> <a href="#">Support Judge Kavanaugh nomination?</a> (before recent allegations)	Yes. <a href="#">“I’m 100% pro-life &amp; I support the President’s pick.”</a>	No. <a href="#">“Could undo key rulings” that “protect a woman’s right to choose as well as the rights of LGBTQ Americans.”</a>
<b>Education:</b> Increase funding for K-12 education?	Unclear. <a href="#">Has said PA spends “enough money” on public schools. More recently has talked of increase. Save money by cutting teacher benefits.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">Worked to restore previous administration’s budget cuts—would like to increase funding.</a>
<b>Education:</b> Support vouchers to help parents send children to private schools?	Yes. <a href="#">Parents should have choice of where to send child.</a>	No. <a href="#">Oppose any program that diverts state funding away from public schools.</a>
<b>Education:</b> Increase state funding for higher education?	Unclear. But unless pensions & health benefits are cut, predicts <a href="#">financial death of all 14 state colleges by 2022.</a>	<a href="#">Yes, but may not be able to get past legislature. Increased in 2015-2016, recent budget increases PSSHE schools, but only minor increases for others.</a>
<b>Elections:</b> Support nonpartisan redistricting to address charges of partisan <a href="#">gerrymandering?</a>	No. <a href="#">Supports current system where state lawmakers draw legislative &amp; congressional districts.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">Supports independent redistricting commission. Proposed special session for redistricting reform.</a>
<b>Gay Marriage:</b> Support gay marriage?	<a href="#">Yes.</a>	<a href="#">Yes.</a>

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<b>Gun Control:</b> Support more restrictive gun control legislation?	No. <a href="#">Opposes gun restrictions.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">Expand background checks, ban bump stocks, &amp; restrict access for domestic violence perpetrators.</a>
<b>Healthcare:</b> Support or Repeal ACA, aka Obamacare? Accept ACA’s Medicaid expansion to subsidize low-income participants?	Repeal. <a href="#">Would repeal ACA &amp; roll back Medicaid expansion.</a>	Support & expand ACA. <a href="#">Expanding healthcare is good for the economy &amp; creates jobs.</a> Accepted Medicaid expansion for PA.
<b>Healthcare:</b> Let Planned Parenthood receive public funds for non-abortion health care?	No. <a href="#">Co-sponsored bill to defund.</a>	Yes.
<b>Healthcare:</b> Require people to work to receive Medicaid?	Yes. Will <a href="#">incentivize people to work &amp; get healthcare from their employers.</a>	No. <a href="#">Vetoed a work requirement bill.</a>
<b>Immigration:</b> Support legal status for <a href="#">“DACA” recipients</a> or “Dreamers,” who grew up in the US after being brought here as children?	No statements found on DREAM Act.	Yes. Supports having a Pennsylvania DREAM Act.
<b>Labor:</b> Enact right-to-work law, eliminating the right of unions to mandate dues for workers they represent?	Yes. <a href="#">Praised Supreme Court decision allowing government employees who opt out of a union to not be charged for the cost of collective bargaining.</a>	No. <a href="#">“I’m not sure what gives the minority the right to say ‘we’ll take advantage of the benefits of the unions, but we’re not going to pay for the cost’.”</a>
<b>Marijuana:</b> Legalize or decriminalize legalize marijuana?	Supports <a href="#">legal medical marijuana but not recreational.</a>	<a href="#">Supports legal medical marijuana</a> ; does not support legalizing recreational at this time, wait on experience of other states.
<b>Minimum Wage:</b> Raise the state minimum wage from \$7.25?	Yes. <a href="#">Supports raising to between \$8.75 &amp; \$9.50/hr, but not higher.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">Increase to \$12/hr.</a>
<b>Net Neutrality:</b> Require internet providers to provide equal access to all users?	No public statements found.	Yes. <a href="#">“Keeping the internet free &amp; open is essential to a healthy democracy.”</a>
<b>Renewable Energy:</b> Support government subsidies for renewable energy?	No. <a href="#">Does not support subsidizing renewables or clean energy.</a> Need to let market decide.	Yes. Has supported <a href="#">loans &amp; grants for solar energy.</a> Also <a href="#">financing mechanism for low-cost funding for energy efficiency, renewable energy, &amp; water conservation upgrades to commercial properties.</a>
<b>Taxes:</b> Support severance tax on oil & gas extraction?	No. <a href="#">Would drive drillers to other states.</a>	Yes. <a href="#">Only gas-producing state that doesn’t have this kind of tax, though drillers do pay comparable impact fee.</a> Would raise \$250 million in first year.
<b>Voting Rights:</b> Support stricter voting rules such as voter ID requirements even if they prevent some people from voting?	No public statements found.	No. Supports same-day & automatic voter registration & modernizing absentee voting. <a href="#">Refused Trump Administration request for personal information of every registered PA voter.</a>

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