

NONPARTISAN CANDIDATE GUIDE: 2017 ALABAMA SPECIAL ELECTION SENATE RACE

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<p>Abortion: Should abortion be highly restricted?</p>	<p>No. It has to be a woman's choice, an <u>"intensely personal decision that only she, in consultation with her God, her doctor, her partner or family"</u> can make. <u>"Having said that, the law for decades has been that late-term procedures are generally restricted except in the case of medical necessity. That's what I support."</u></p>	<p>Yes. Every abortion should be illegal: <u>"The Bible, rightly divided, consistently protects the life of preborn persons from murder and assault as equally as it does those already born."</u></p>
<p>Climate Change: Believe that human activity is the major factor driving climate change? Should government regulate certain aspects of energy industry, such as limiting greenhouse gases?</p>	<p>Yes. Negative impacts on our planet and health have <u>"not been in dispute for decades."</u> We <u>"must look to regulation and monitoring to slow changes."</u></p>	<p>No. <u>Declines to state current position.</u> Has previously said there is <u>"little hard evidence that carbon emissions cause changes to the global climate,"</u> and <u>"no constitutional authority for Congress to regulate carbon emissions."</u> Believes limiting emissions would be a crushing economic blow.</p>
<p>Economy: Support federal spending as a means of promoting economic growth?</p>	<p>Yes. New Deal advancements <u>"were the result of U.S. government investments in the people of Alabama to improve the infrastructure of the state while creating jobs and improving our standard of living."</u></p>	<p>No. <u>"Lower taxes, smaller government, and less spending will reduce the deficit and enable economic growth and a truly "stimulated" economy."</u></p>
<p>Gay Marriage: Supports gay marriage & related LGBTQ issues?</p>	<p>Yes. Fighting against discrimination in all forms is a top priority.</p>	<p>No. Has said <u>it should be illegal,</u> calling it <u>"a crime against nature, an inherent evil, and an act so heinous that it defies one's ability to describe it."</u> As AL Supreme Court Chief Justice defied US Supreme Court legalization of same-sex marriage.</p>
<p>Gun Control: Support more restrictive gun control legislation?</p>	<p>No. Prioritize enforcement of current laws and improvements to background check system to prevent criminals and terrorists from getting guns, while avoiding errors that keep law-abiding citizens from getting them.</p>	<p>No. Opposes expanding registration checks, calling them equivalent to national gun registration. Opposes bans on "assault weapons" and high-capacity magazines.</p>

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Healthcare: Support or Repeal Affordable Care Act (ACA), also known as Obamacare?	Support, but improve it. “ACA was not intended to be the final word on healthcare [and] improvements should strive toward universal coverage.”	Immediate full Repeal. “We do not need socialized medicine that will ultimately lead to loss of quality and affordability of healthcare.”
Healthcare: Should Planned Parenthood be eligible to receive public funds for non-abortion health services?	Yes. They provide essential preventative and reproductive health care services and should be funded.	No. Funding should be stopped.
Immigration: Support the DREAM Act (DACA), which allows “Dreamers” who grew up in the US after being brought here illegally as children to achieve legal status if they meet certain conditions?	Yes. Will support legislative action to ensure its continuation.	No. Considers DACA an illegal governmental order, and believes the program should be ended.
Immigration: Should America’s 11 million undocumented residents have options for long-term work permits or an earned path to citizenship?	Yes. Supports both options.	No. Opposes both options.
International trade agreements: Support Trump’s current renegotiation of the North American Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and his withdrawal from the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade agreement?	No. Current agreements support 1 in 5 jobs in Alabama and it’s “foolish and foolhardy to attempt to retreat from the world.”	Yes. We must “rescind unfair ‘free trade’ agreements which have severely damaged our economy through loss of jobs and skill development.”
Marijuana: Legalize and/or decriminalize marijuana?	Yes. Legalize medical marijuana and decriminalize recreational use.	Let states determine medical use. No statement on recreational use.
Minimum Wage: Raise the federal minimum wage?	Yes. Strongly supports a federal “living wage” and equal pay for equal work.	No
Renewable Energy: Support government subsidies for renewable energy	Yes. Encouraging renewable energy creates jobs, makes us more energy independent; and reverses some negative climate change effects	Unclear. Foster development of nuclear, solar, wind, and fossil fuels; encourage coal mining and oil drilling; no clear position on subsidies.
Taxes: Support President Trump’s proposed tax cuts?	No. It is “unconscionable” to offer tax cuts and continued loopholes for the wealthiest at the expense of lower to moderate income families, especially while cutting funding for education, childcare, housing and infrastructure.	Partially. Supports reduction of taxes at all levels but prefers full reform to a flat tax or a tax on goods and services instead of on income.
Voting Rights: Support stricter voting rules such as voter ID requirements or reduced registration times, even if they prevent some people from voting?	No. We are “going backwards on access to the ballot box.” Supports proactive registration of 18-year-olds, early voting, absentee voting without cost for some voters, and transparent redistricting.	Unknown

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