

Kansas Catholic Conference Candidate Survey - Scott Hill

Question 1:

Given this legal and cultural reality regarding abortion in Kansas, what is your position on the following questions? Check all that apply. Hodes Abortion Ruling Abortion Coercion Act Born Alive Infant Protection Act Abortion Pill Reversal and Right to Know Legislation Kansas Life Affirming Tax Package

Answer:

I disagree with the Kansas State Supreme Court ruling (Hodes, 2019). In response, we need to support women who experience an unplanned pregnancy and keep searching for a legal path that will allow reasonable safeguards that include, but are not limited to, abortion clinic inspections and licensing, parental notification for minors seeking an abortion and more.

I support the Pregnancy Compassion Act that directs public funds to qualified Pregnancy Resource Centers (PRCs) as a way of assisting women with unplanned pregnancies who need help with the birth and care of their child.

I support the recently passed Abortion Coercion Act that makes it a crime to coerce someone into having an abortion.

I support the Born Alive Infant Protection Act which ensures that a child born alive, even after a botched abortion, will receive care like any other child.

I support Abortion Pill Reversal and Right to Know Legislation. Women seeking a chemical abortion should be informed by the abortionist that a qualified health professional may administer progesterone to the woman to counteract the effects of the chemical abortion drug and possibly save her preborn child.

I support the recently passed Kansas Life Affirming Tax Package that gave PRCs a sales tax exemption on supplies they use to help women with unplanned pregnancies, a 70% tax credit for donations to PRCs, and adoption-friendly savings accounts and tax credits for families seeking to adopt.

Question 2:

Please provide your other comments/positions about abortion (100 words or less).

Answer:

No issue speaks as strongly about recognizing God's sovereignty as the support for life. Life is His creation and the taking of life at any stage is a direct repudiation of God's authority.

Question 3:

What is your position on these issues? Fairness in Women's Sports Act Kansas Women's Bill of Rights Kansas County Jail Modernization Act Kansas Help Not Harm Act

Answer:

I support the Fairness in Womens Sports Act , which became law and ensures that Kansas girls and women compete only against other girls and women in athletics.

I support the Kansas Womens Bill of Rights, which became law that legally designates in statute what is a woman.

I support the Kansas County Jail Modernization Act, which became law, that requires sheriffs to ensure that male and female inmates are housed separately.

I support the Kansas Help Not Harm Act, which passed the legislature but was vetoed, that would have ended surgical and medical "gender transitioning" for children in Kansas.

Question 4:

Please provide your other comments/positions about pro-family legislation (100 words or less).

Answer:

My biggest disappointment of last session was the failure to override help not harm.

Question 5:

Regarding Medicaid Expansion:

Answer:

I oppose Medicaid Expansion.

Question 6:

Please provide your other comments/positions about expanded access to healthcare (100 words or less).

Answer:**Question 7:**

Regarding MHIT and other mental health funding:

Answer:

I support mental health service funding for non-public school students.

Question 8:

Please provide your other comments/positions about MHIT and/or mental health funding in Kansas (100 words or less).

Answer:

Question 9:

Regarding the issue of educational choice, sometimes referred to as "school choice," your position is:

Answer:

I support school expanding educational choice in Kansas through legislation known as Educational Savings Accounts (ESAs).

I support expanding educational choice in Kansas through tax credit legislation.

Question 10:

Please provide your other comments/positions about educational choice (100 words or less).

Answer:

Question 11:

Regarding the death penalty, your position is:

Answer:

I support current law that allows the death penalty in Kansas.

Question 12:

Please provide any other comments regarding the death penalty in Kansas. (100 words or less).

Answer:

While I am not a strong supporter of the death penalty in practice it is not being used.

Question 13:

Regarding Payday Loan reform, your position is:

Answer:

I support Payday Loan Reform—lower allowable interest rates and make repayment procedures more reasonable and less onerous on consumers.

Question 14:

Please provide any other comments regarding pay day loans in Kansas. (100 words or less).

Answer:**Question 15:**

Regarding public policies addressing the complex needs of the poor, what is your position or thoughts on this issue? Please be as specific as possible (150 words or less).

Answer:

Long term views that break poverty cycle particularly through faith body interventions are preferable over feel good handouts. In spite of the programs we have some of the most needy are missed.

Question 16:

What elements of public policy on the state level would you advocate for if elected? Please be as specific as possible (150 words or less).

Answer:

Support for legal immigrants. Oppose illegal uncontrolled immigration.

Question 17:

Please add any additional comments.

Answer:

Sound tax policy and fiscal responsibility benefits all Kansans and particularly those in poverty.