



# Illinois Family Institute | 2012 VOTER GUIDE



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Then use this Voter Guide to confidently cast your vote on Tuesday, March 20th!

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<b>PRIMARY March 20, 2012 U.S. Presidential Candidates</b>	<b>Newt Gingrich (R)</b> Former Speaker newt.org	<b>Ron Paul (R)</b> Congressman ronpaul2012.com	<b>Mitt Romney (R)</b> Former Governor mittromney.com	<b>Rick Santorum (R)</b> Former Senator ricksantorum.com	<b>Barack Obama (D)</b> President barackobama.com
1.) Repealing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
2.) Prohibiting abortion except where it is necessary to prevent death of the mother.	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	UNCLEAR	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
3.) Amending the U.S. Constitution to define marriage as only the union of one man and one woman.	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
4.) Permitting healthcare professionals to opt out of performing procedures that violate their moral or religious beliefs.	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
5.) Amending the U.S. Constitution to require Congress to balance the federal budget every year.	SUPPORT	UNKNOWN	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
6.) Passing state laws that authorize local law enforcement officials to enforce federal immigration laws.	SUPPORT	UNKNOWN	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
7.) Providing federal funding to Planned Parenthood and other organizations that provide abortions.	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
8.) Adding "sexual orientation," "gender identity," or "gender expression" to the protected classes of race, religion, age, sex, and ancestry in anti-discrimination laws.	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
9.) Allowing parents to use tax credits, vouchers, or educational savings accounts to enable children to attend any public, private, or home school.	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
10.) Setting a government cap on carbon emissions, requiring companies to buy emissions credits, and allowing them to trade any leftover credits (called "Cap and Trade").	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
11.) Using a prospective federal judge's ability to empathize with particular societal groups as a criterion for their nomination.	OPPOSE	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
12.) Using human embryonic stem cells for research purposes.	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
13.) Repealing the federal Defense of Marriage Act, which states that marriage is the union of one man and one woman and declares states do not have to recognize same-sex marriage from other states.	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
14.) Enforcing federal laws vigorously against obscene hardcore pornography.	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	UNKNOWN
15.) Amending the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to place further restrictions on the establishment and expansion of gambling by Indian tribes in the U.S.	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNKNOWN	SUPPORT	OPPOSE

15th US Congressional District				Question Number								
District	Party	Candidate	Contact Info	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
USC 15	D	Angela Michael	618-806-4091	S	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	S
USC 15	R	<i>John M. Shimkus</i>	618-344-1919	S	S*	S	S	O	S	S	O	S

## 2012 Voter Guide | U.S. Congressional Candidate Survey Questions

Federal candidates were asked if they **Support** or **Oppose**:

- H.AMDT.95 to H.R.1 (2011) would defund Planned Parenthood Federation of America.
- Amendment No. 52 to H.R.1 (2011) Reduces funding by \$20 million for the National Endowment for the Arts and National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities.
- H.Con.Res.35 to H.R.1473 would eliminate funding for the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (National Healthcare).
- H.R.3 (2011) would ban the use of tax dollars to cover abortions.
- H.R.1116 and S.598 (2011) would repeal the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), the federal law that defines marriage as one man and one woman.
- H.R.2874 would restore funding to abstinence-centered sex ed programs without increasing federal spending.
- H.R.1179 & S.1467 (2011) would allow medical personnel to be exempt from having to cover services and dispense items that violate their conscience.
- H.R.2965 (became law 12/22/10) repealed the ban on homosexuals serving openly in the U.S. Armed Services.
- Parental Rights Amendment would amend the U.S. Constitution, giving parents the sole responsibility to direct their children's upbringing and education.

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State Candidates				Question Letter										
Office	Party	Candidate	Contact Info	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	
State Senate	SS 51	R	Tom Pliura	309-962-2299	O	S	NR	S	O	NR	*	S	O	O
	SS 51	R	Chapin Rose	217-621-2244	O	S	O	S	S	O	S	O	O	O
	SS 52	R	John Christian Bambenek	217-493-3076	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	S
	SS 52	D	<i>Michael W. Frerichs</i>	217-352-6453	S	-	O	-	S	S	-	O	S	S
	SS 53	R	Jason Barickman	309-661-4200	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SS 53	R	<i>Shane Cultra</i>	815-268-4590	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SS 54	R	<i>Kyle McCarter</i>	618-402-3363	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SS 54	D	Danny L. Stover	dannystover@netwitz.net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	SS 55	R	<i>Dale A. Righter</i>	217-348-2006	O	S	O	-	O	O	-	S	O	O
	SS 56	R	Mike Babcock	618-972-2550	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SS 56	D	<i>William "Bill" Haine</i>	manager@haineforsenate.com	O	S	S*	S	S	O	S	O	S	O
	SS 58	R	<i>David Luechtefeld</i>	618-314-6796	O	-	O	-	S	O	-	S	O	O
	SS 59	R	Ken Burzynski	618-218-4002	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SS 59	D	<i>Gary F. Forby</i>	618-435-4900	O	S	O	S	S	O	S	O	O	O
	SS 59	D	Fred Kondritz	618-435-0867	O	S	O	S	S	O	S	O	O	O
	SS 59	R	Mark Minor	618-967-5091	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O

State Representative				Question Letter										
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State Representative	SR 101st	R	<i>Bill Mitchell</i>	217-876-1968	O	-	O	S	O	-	-	O	O	O
	SR 102nd	R	Robert "Rob" Roman	217-822-0001	O	S	O	S	S	O	S	S	O	O
	SR 102nd	R	<i>Adam Brown</i>	217-620-2283	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	NR	O	O
	SR 104th	R	<i>Chad D. Hays</i>	217-477-0104	-	-	O	S	S	-	-	-	O	O
	SR 106th	R	Richard Thomas	voterichardthomas@gmail.com	-	-	-	S	-	-	-	-	O	-
	SR 106th	R	Tom Bennett	217-784-8540	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	S
	SR 106th	R	Brian Gabor	815-690-7074	-	-	-	S	-	-	-	S	O	-
	SR 106th	R	Scott McCoy	815-419-2165	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SR 106th	R	Josh Harms	815-383-9077	O	S	O	S	S	O	S	*	O	O
	SR 107th	R	<i>John Cavaletto</i>	618-548-8043	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	O	O	O
	SR 108th	R	<i>Paul J. Evans</i>	618-628-9092	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SR 108th	R	Charles E Meier	—	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	SR 108th	R	Don W. Weber	618-667-8522	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SR 109th	R	<i>David B. Reis</i>	618-392-3737	O	S	O	S	O	O	S	O	O	O
	SR 110th	R	<i>Roger L. Eddy</i>	618-562-4471	O	S	O*	S	S*	O	S	O	O	O
	SR 110th	R	Brad Halbrook	217-821-6546	O	S	O	NR	O	O	S	S	O	O
	SR 110th	R	Kevin L. Garner	217-343-1603	O	S	O	S	NR	O*	S	S	S	O
	SR 112th	D	Marleen Suarez	618-346-6648	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	SR 112th	R	<i>Dwight D. Kay</i>	618-980-5563	-	S	O	S	O	-	S	-	-	-
	SR 115th	R	<i>Mike Bost</i>	618-549-2678	O	-	O	S	O	-	-	S	O	O
SR 117th	D	<i>John Bradley</i>	618-993-2134	O	S	O	S	O	-	S	O	S	O	
SR 118th	D	<i>Brandon W. Phelps</i>	618-253-4189	O	S	O	S	O	-	S	O	O	O	

## 2012 Voter Guide | IL Senate & House Candidate Survey Questions

State candidates were asked if they Support or Oppose:

- A** SB 1716 creates civil unions for same-sex partners. (became law on 2/1/2011)
- B** HJRCA 10 and SJRCA 16 (2011) would amend the State Constitution by defining marriage as the union of one man and one woman.
- C** HB 30 (2011) would permit out-of-state patients to smoke marijuana for medical purposes without police interference; would permit authorized persons to grow and possess marijuana and operate a motor vehicle 6 hours after consumption.
- D** HB 148 (2011) would permit the county sheriff to issue permits to carry a concealed firearm to persons who meet certain requirements.
- E** SB 744 & SB 1849 (2011) would authorize 5 new casinos and slot machines at all race tracks.
- F** HB 3027 mandates that all Illinois school districts that teach sex ed in grades 6-12 use only "comprehensive sex ed" resources.
- G** HB 786 (2011) would require that a woman seeking an abortion be offered an opportunity to view an ultrasound picture of her unborn fetus.
- H** SB 2494 (2010) would authorize school tuition vouchers up to \$6,000 toward a school of the parent's choice for students who attend one of the 49 under-performing Chicago public elementary schools.
- I** SB 2505 increased the income tax by 66% from 3% to 5%, and the corporate tax from 4.8% to 7%. (became law on 1/13/2011)
- J** SB 3539 repealed the state death penalty. (became law on 3-9-2011)

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