

# 18<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

## SPECIAL ELECTION General, September 10, 2015

A questionnaire was sent to each campaign to obtain the candidate's positions on these issues. Several attempts were made to candidates who did not return their questionnaire. Voting records and/or public statements were used to identify the positions for candidates who did not return their questionnaire.



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*A dash – indicates the candidate did not return a questionnaire.*

1.) Affordable Health Care for America Act (signed into law)	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
2.) Marriage Amendment (H.J.Res.51 - 113th) defines marriage as one man one woman.	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
3.) Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (H.R.1797 – 113th) prohibits abortions after 20 weeks when preborn babies begin to feel pain.	SUPPORT	—
4.) Protection of rights of conscience for members of the military armed forces and chaplains. (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013, Sec. 533 – 113th)	SUPPORT	—
5.) Employment Non-Discrimination Act (S. 815 – 113th) grants special rights based on “sexual orientation” and “gender identity.”	OPPOSE	—
6.) Parental Rights Amendment gives parents the right to direct the upbringing of their children.	SUPPORT	—
7.) Title X Abortion Provider Prohibition Act (H.R.61 – 113th) prohibits grants from being awarded to an entity that performs abortions.	SUPPORT	—
8.) Wire Act (S.2159, H.R.4301 – 113th) restores the long-standing U.S. policy prohibiting all forms of Internet gambling.	SUPPORT	—
9.) Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) prevents the government from substantially burdening a person's free exercise of their religion. (signed into law in 1993 by President Bill Clinton)	SUPPORT	—
10.) Gasoline Tax Increase (H.R. 680 – 114th) from its current rate of 18.4 cents per gallon to 33.4 cents per gallon.	OPPOSE	SUPPORT



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