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Would you be likely to support or oppose a bill to:

Raise the sales tax
Oppose

Lower the sales tax
Not Sure
Please explain your position:
Cut other taxes first.

Raise the income tax
Oppose

Lower the income tax
Not sure
Please explain your position:
Need to know impact and costs. State is required to have a balanced budget.

Raise excise taxes on tobacco, beer or wine
Not sure
Please explain your position:
Can't make changes in a vacuum. I drink a wee bit and would approve a small increase here with reduction elsewhere.

Lower excise taxes on tobacco, beer or wine
Not sure
Please explain your position:
Can't make changes in a vacuum. I drink a wee bit and would approve a small increase here with reduction elsewhere.

Provide special tax breaks to certain businesses or industries
Not sure
Please explain your position:
The statement above should read "selected" businesses; not "certain." The government should NOT be in the "selection" business.

Repeal special tax breaks to certain businesses or industries
Not sure
Please explain your position:
Maybe. Need to reduce taxes upon all businesses, not choose haves and have nots.

Collect sales tax on Internet sales by participating in the national Streamline Sales Tax Project
Oppose
Please explain your position:
Payment is the responsibility of the individual. Collection is responsibility of the tax commission.

Propose a constitutional amendment to require a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate on tax increases
Support

Propose a constitutional amendment to require a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate for fee increases
Support

Eliminate income and/or sales tax exemptions, credits and deductions in order to raise state government revenue
Oppose

Eliminate income and/or sales tax exemptions, credits and deductions in order to lower the overall sales and/or income tax rates
Not sure
Please explain your position:
Eliminating exemptions will result in more tax to state, but want to see legislation for "precise" impact.

Put in place stronger limitations on government spending in Idaho
Support

Reduce, reform or end participation in entitlement programs such as unemployment insurance, Medicaid and food stamps
Support

Expand participation in entitlement programs such as unemployment insurance, Medicaid and food stamps
Oppose

Repeal the use of urban renewal in Idaho
Support

Expand the use of urban renewal in Idaho
Oppose

Reform urban renewal by limiting the projects and holding elections for urban renewal commissioners
Support

Ban the Land Board or other government agencies from owning businesses that compete with the private sector
Support

Ban minors from using tanning beds
Oppose
Please explain your position:
Parental duty

Allow Idahoans to buy health insurance across state lines
Support
Please explain your position:
I need to know all impacts - good, bad or indifferent. I'm OK with the concept, but need to understand and know all the details.

Create a state government health insurance exchange
Oppose

Expand school choice options in Idaho including charter schools, public schools and home schools
Support

In general, I believe state government (select one):
Regulates too much, and such regulations should be cut
Please explain your position:
... at least trimmed.