



Politicians send mixed messages

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I am a politician. Not a problem-solver.

I believe school teachers are under-appreciated as our most valuable resource and deserve a 20 percent across-the-board raise, implemented retroactively for the last decade. I also believe we are spending way too much on education and extreme belt-tightening needs to be the watchword for anyone responsible for mentoring the next generation.

I believe renewable and sustainable energy is the future and if we don't start making this a priority now, our children and grandchildren won't have a viable planet to call home. I also believe coal is what keeps the lights on and we need to do everything within our power to utilize this abundant natural resource to its fullest potential.

I believe the time has come for reasonable gun control; too many innocent lives have already been lost because virtually anyone can get their hands on an assault rifle these days. I also believe our Second Amendment guarantees are ironclad and any effort to infringe upon our constitutional right to keep and bear arms should be vigorously rejoined.

I believe everyone should have access to quality health care; if you are sick, you should be able to get the medical attention you deserve regardless of your net worth or ability to pay. I also believe implementing universal health care will bankrupt our country and inevitably lead to rationing; people will die waiting to get the treatment they need.

I believe repairing and upgrading our infrastructure should be at the top of our national agenda and no expense should be spared in restoring our roadways, bridges, and antiquated utilities. I also believe we already pay way too much in taxes and under no circumstance should the cost to enhance our aging infrastructure be passed on to taxpayers.

I am a politician. Vote for me.

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