

# 2011 Official Virginia Voter Guide

## Questions & Answers - from Virginia's Candidates

1. Add sexual orientation to the list of characteristics (race, age, gender, etc.) that prohibit state government agencies from discriminating in their employment practices.
2. Support an amendment to the state Constitution protecting religious liberty.
3. Protect the religious liberty rights of private, faith-based adoption organizations allowing them to determine what is in the best interest of the child.
4. Increase gas tax to fund transportation.
5. Repeal the marriage amendment, passed by the voters by referenda in 2006.
6. Ban taxpayer funding of research that requires the destruction of human embryos.
7. Provide a tax credit to individuals or corporations for donations made to scholarship foundations that give scholarships to students toward tuition at private schools.
8. Prohibit abortion from where medical science determines an unborn child can feel pain (presently 20-22 weeks).
9. Improve Virginia's eminent domain law to protect the property rights of private citizens in light of the Supreme Court's *Kelo* decision by passing a state Constitutional amendment (2nd year).
10. Add unborn children to Virginia's wrongful death statute.

<b>KEY:</b>	S	Support	*	Indicates incumbent
	O	Oppose	a	Indicates voting record or public statement.
	A/U	Abstain/Undecided	b	No voting record/public statement exist, position is from party platform.
	NR	No Response	c	Response from candidate survey.

All candidates were sent an issue survey. Responses from the survey are marked (c). If a candidate chose not to complete his survey, voters are given that candidate's voting record and/or public statements whenever available and are marked (a). If no voting record or public statements exist, voters are provided the positions indicated in the platform of the party through which the candidate was nominated and those answers are marked (b). The Family Foundation is a 501c(3) non-profit, non-partisan organization. Nothing in this guide is to be construed as an endorsement of any candidate or party.

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<https://www.voterinfo.sbe.virginia.gov/PublicSite/Public/FT2/PublicLookup.aspx>

# Senate District 17

(Fredericksburg, Orange, Albemarle, Culpeper, Louisa, Spotsylvania)



**Bryce Reeves**  
Republican



**Edd Houck\***  
Democrat

## Questions

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1. Add Sexual Orientation to Non-Discrimination Policy for State Gvt.
2. Religious Liberty Amendment
3. Religious Liberty for Adoption Agencies
4. Increase Gas Tax
5. Repeal Marriage Amendment
6. Ban Funding of Embryonic Stem Cell Research
7. School Choice Tax Credit
8. Ban Abortion from When Child Feels Pain
9. Private Property Amendment
10. Wrongful Death Statute for Unborn

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