

Rep. Fred Cox 2015 Voter Questionnaire

1. There is a proposal to raise the State Income Tax rate from 5% to 6%. (A 20% rate increase.) The additional money would go for education.

78% I want to keep the current state income tax rate

13% I want raise the current income Tax rate to 6%.

9% I want to raise the current rate to _____ %.

2. There is a proposal to raise the State Fuel Tax from 24.5 cents by either 5 cents (20 1/2%) increase or 10 cents (41% increase) per gallon.

30% of the total state fuel tax funds local city or county roads to help maintain them. Cities and counties have asked the Legislature for more money for roads so they do not have to keep using Sales or Property Taxes to maintain them.

59% I want to keep the current fuel tax rate

21% I want to raise the tax by 5 cents per gallon

6% I want to raise the tax by 10 cents per gallon

11% I want to tie the fuel tax rate to an index so it will gradually go up or down based on inflation or the cost of roads.

3% I want to change the state fuel tax to a sales tax structure so if the price of fuel goes up, more tax is paid. If the price of the fuel doubles, the amount of state fuel tax paid would also double. If the price of the fuel goes down, the state will have less money for roads. The 19 cents per gallon paid to the Federal Government will remain.

3. There is a proposal to allow local cities to raise their sales tax rate by up to 0.25% to help them pay for roads or transit. They would have the option.

59% I don't want the Legislature to allow the Cities to further raise the local Sales Tax.

9% I want the Legislature to allow the Cities to raise the local Sales Tax.

32% I want the Legislature to allow the Cities to raise the local Sales Tax, but require it to be used on only roads or transit.

4. The Utah Legislature has a proposal to remove Utah from Daylight Savings Time, similar to Arizona and Hawaii. Do you support this?

36% I want to keep Utah with the rest of the States on the same schedule

58% I want to no longer observe Daylight Savings Time

6% I want the US Government to restore the previous schedule for Daylight Savings Time.

5. There is a proposal to allow an individual who can legally "Open Carry" a firearm to cover that firearm with a coat or otherwise conceal that they are carrying

a firearm, without a concealed carry permit. A similar bill was vetoed by the Governor in 2013.

What did pass in 2014 was a law to require individuals that do "Open Carry", to have the firearm in a holster or case. .

87% I would like Utah to keep the Concealed Carry Permit requirements as they are. If someone is concealing they are carrying a firearm they should have a concealed carry permit.

13% I would like Utah to remove the Concealed Carry Permit requirements in this instance.

6. There is a proposal to allow guns to be carried on a bus or train and there is confusion as to what the current state law says.

57% I would like Utah to allow those with a Concealed Carry Permit to carry their firearm on the bus or train, including the driver.

11% I would like Utah to remove any Concealed Carry Permit requirements in this instance, and allow Open Carrying of Firearms on a Bus or Train.

32% I would like Utah to ban those with a firearm to ride a bus or train similar to riding in an airplane.

7. The Governor and a State Agency is proposing to ban all burning of wood or coal in many areas during several months of the year, not just on No Burn Days.

68% I would like Utah to keep current No Burn Days in place and encourage the converting of wood to natural gas. (No Change)

32% I would like the Utah Legislature to change or clarify the law so the state agency cannot make this change without the state legislature's approval.

8. Last year the Utah Legislature passed a non-binding resolution to move the Draper Prison, sometime, somewhere, with specific requirements.

93% I would like to keep the main prison in Draper. Some buildings will need to be replaced or repaired but most will be fine for decades and there is still enough room to grow in Draper.

7% I would like move it to somewhere else. Draper has had it long enough.

9. Comments:

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