



**PENNSYLVANIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE
(State Senate and State House)**

House District 141 – Kevin Glasson (R)

1. What do you hope to accomplish as a member of the Pennsylvania General Assembly?

The most important issues to address in my district are job creation and property tax relief. As a small business owner, I would also like to stimulate business growth in the district.

2. What do you believe are the major problems facing the Commonwealth and your legislative district?

Our government is over-spending in the general budget, taxing us too much, and our corporate taxes are also too high. We are losing businesses because of Pennsylvania's corporate tax structure.

3. Would you support or oppose legislation which would increase taxes relative to the real estate transaction, such as the realty transfer tax and/or taxes on services?

No. The one percent (RTT) tax is enough. It is wrong to take equity from home owners. I'm also against expanding the sales tax on services. Enough is enough, we are taxing too much already.

4. The property tax is the principal source of revenue for localities to fund schools, but is also a burden to the Commonwealth's citizens and reduces the affordability of home ownership. What do you believe is the best way to provide adequate funding to our schools while also supplying relief from property taxes?

I think we were all hoping for more relief from gaming money. This revenue should be dedicated to lowering property taxes alone. We should also be more focused on cutting waste and going after welfare fraud. This would allow the state to pay more for school funding instead of relying so heavily on property taxes.

5. Pennsylvania's Municipalities Planning Code provides local municipalities authority for comprehensive planning and zoning. What sort of authority do you believe local governments should have in this area?

Each township should have a little more say regarding their own zoning issues. I don't think they need more authority than they already have.

6. Many properties in Pennsylvania suffer from blight as a result of tenant neglect and/or absentee property management. What role do you believe government should play in this area?

We have to crack down on those people that don't take care of their homes. It's a disgrace to let these properties become so run down.

7. States are struggling with the issue of providing affordable housing to their residents. What do you feel are the necessary components to address this issue?

We need to cut back on wasteful spending to provide more funding for first-time home buyers. It's becoming difficult for young people to ever own their own home.

8. Do you favor or oppose legislation that limits the right of individuals to use their private property?

The government should not be able to come in and take our possessions, however there are times when there is a clear public need. When that is the case, the government needs to compensate individuals at the market rate.

9. What is your position on campaign finance reform in Pennsylvania and to what extent do you believe PACs should be restricted in state legislative campaigns?

Giving should be largely limited to district resources. Reform needs to happen. There are currently too many special interests involved.

10. What is your view of the REALTOR® profession and the role of local REALTORS® in your community?

My father-in-law is a REALTOR. We are all small business owners. I appreciate that you fight for the rights of property owners. I want to set up a board of directors if I'm elected that would include members with special knowledge of their industries and issues they face.

11. Please outline your campaign's grassroots efforts.

I am knocking on doors to get out and meet the people. I grew up in Levittown and have strong relationships in the community.

12. Has your campaign been endorsed by any other state or local organizations?

Yes, the firefighter and police unions, along with the heating and plumbing contractors associations and building contractors.