

**Kentucky  
Candidate  
Information  
Survey**



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**Kenneth Stepp**



**US HOUSE  
5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT**



**Rep. Hal Rogers**

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<p><i>The U.S. should rethink its rejection of the Paris Agreement on climate change.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> The Paris Agreement is based on junk science.”</p>	
<p><i>Obama’s health care reform should be completely repealed.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> There are some good parts of it.”</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Candidate chose not to participate.</b></p>
<p><i>Individual states should be able to allow physician-assisted suicide without interference from the federal government.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Physician-assisted suicide violates the Oath of Hippocrates.”</p>	
<p><i>Congress should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> The present minimum wage is adequate.”</p>	
<p><i>America needs to build a wall on its southern border.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> We have other ways of impeding immigration.”</p>	
<p><i>Congress should initiate a FISA overhaul that would ensure the government cannot spy on American citizens without a warrant.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> Also, warrants should be limited to one person and no more warrants of phone companies.”</p>	
<p><i>The U.S. Department of Education should continue to encourage school choice and the establishment of charter schools.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> Charter schools result in better education.”</p>	
<p><i>Gender identity should be included in anti-discrimination laws along with factors such as race, sex and religion.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> The Fourteenth Amendment guarantees equal protection of the law for everyone.”</p>	
<p><i>Religious organizations should not be discriminated against by government on the basis of their religious beliefs about marriage.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> If a church, synagogue, or mosque believe a marriage is between a man and a woman, that is no reason for government interference.”</p>	
<p><i>Recent school shootings are an indication that we need more restrictive gun laws.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Making schools gun-free zones has attracted killers like maggots wanting to shoot people there. Where guns are outlawed, only outlaws have guns.”</p>	
<p><i>Congress should release the names of members who have negotiated settlements over claims of sexual harassment.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> But the names of those who have used taxpayer money to pay hush money to their accuser should be released.”</p>	
<p><i>The U.S. should grant citizenship to the children of illegal immigrants.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> For those born in the U.S.A., the Fourteenth Amendment guarantees citizenship.”</p>	

**About the Kentucky Candidate Information Survey (KCIS) . . .**

- The purpose of the **KCIS** is to reliably report candidates’ views to voters in order to improve:
  - 1) voter knowledge of the candidates;
  - 2) voter participation; and
  - 3) the quality of the democratic process.

- The **KCIS** is designed to neutrally, yet concisely, report the candidates’ views in their own words on a broad range of issues. Each candidate was asked to respond to the assertions listed and was given 20 words to qualify his or her response. This issues-only, head-to-head approach avoids pushing a particular agenda, but at the same time, cuts through the political rhetoric often found in campaign literature.

- The **KCIS** is a non-partisan project of the Family Trust Foundation of Kentucky, a non-profit educational organization incorporated in order to encourage and strengthen families in our state. Encouraging responsible citizenship and increasing voter participation are two of its objectives.

- For more information on the **KCIS**, call (859) 255-5300 or for more information on the candidates, visit:

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<p><i>The U.S. needs to take a more aggressive posture towards North Korea.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> President Trump’s reaction to North Korean hooligans is sufficient.”</p>	
<p><i>It is incumbent upon the federal government to continue to invest in renewable energy resources like wind and solar power.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY DISAGREE.</b> Taxpayer money has helped get them started. Now, they can be on their own.”</p>	
<p><i>If proved that there was collusion between the Trump campaign and Russia, Congress should initiate impeachment.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> Impeachment requires that an officeholder be proven to have committed high crimes and misdemeanors.”</p>	
<p><i>The next Supreme Court vacancy should be filled by a justice who reflects the judicial philosophy of the late Antonin Scalia.</i></p>	<p><b>“DISAGREE.</b> The opinions of the Reagan appointee might not be appropriate for the twenty-first century.”</p>	
<p><i>Congress should tackle the debt and deficit through welfare and entitlement reform.</i></p>	<p><b>“UNDECIDED.</b> Both sides of the aisle should take hits in the effort to reduce the deficit and minimize inflation.”</p>	
<p><i>President Trump’s idea of imposing tariffs on products from some foreign countries could cause a costly trade war.</i></p>	<p><b>“AGREE.</b> We should chastise Communist China for their crummy human rights record, even if a trade war cannot be avoided.”</p>	
<p><i>The U.S. should cut funding to international population control programs that involve the promotion of abortion.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.”</b></p>	
<p><i>The federal government should act to force online social media services such as Facebook to protect the privacy of user data.</i></p>	<p><b>“STRONGLY AGREE.</b> Also we should make Facebook avoid publishing Russian propaganda.”</p>	
<p><i>List your top three priorities should you be elected.</i></p>	<p>“1. Reduce the deficit and foreign debt 2. Maintain a strong armed services 3. Remain vigilant against racism.”</p>	

• On **Tuesday, Nov. 6**, voters will go to the polls to vote in the General Election. Ballots will include candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, the Kentucky Senate (even-numbered districts only) and the Kentucky House of Representatives. Please note that not all districts have a contested race.

• For more information on your voter registration status or to find out what district you live in, please contact your county clerk or visit the Secretary of State’s Voter Information Center:

[sos.ky.gov/elections](http://sos.ky.gov/elections)

***Special Thanks to the Candidates . . .***

We want to thank all the candidates who participated in the **Survey** and all those who considered our invitation but chose not to respond. We are grateful to everyone who stepped forward to offer their leadership by running for office in our great Commonwealth.

***To Kentucky citizens . . .***

We trust that you, as a citizen of Kentucky, have been served by this endeavor and that you will in turn serve your community by voting your conscience on **Tuesday, Nov. 6**.

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