

Key Issues in 2016

🗣️ MORE TAXES/SPENDING – Public-Private Partnerships

- **Tolls:** Publicly-managed roads means we have authority to stop tolls upon completion (like all parkways in Kentucky). Privatization contracts guarantee tolls will last longer (profit required for solvency of business) and locks us out of any control over how much/often they are raised.
- Loss of control over public road plans (**no-compete clauses**).
- **Bonds, taxes, or tolls** are the only three ways to pay, no matter how many middlemen (private companies) are added to the deal. It's always money out of our pocket, so use it wisely.
- **Projections** always swing to the far optimistic side of scale, returns to the far opposite.
- Privatization, especially of infrastructure to foreign companies, is a movement that will get us the quick fix now in exchange for **bankruptcy** later.
- **Hiding debt** under the radar so we exceed our limits, when holding the bag all along. This could affect our bond rating.

🗣️ EARLY CHILDHOOD – Books for Brains, HANDS, etc

The UN agenda 2030 (Sep 2015): “We, the heads of State and Government...are determined to seize this historic opportunity to change the world for and **with children**....We resolve to achieve the following goals: (e) Development and implementation of national early childhood development policies and programmes to ensure the enhancement of children’s **physical**, social, **emotional**, **spiritual** and cognitive development.” http://www.unicef.org/specialsession/docs_new/documents/A-RES-S27-2E.pdf

“We acknowledge also the essential role of national parliaments through their **enactment of legislation** and adoption of budgets and their role in ensuring accountability for the effective **implementation of our commitments**. Governments and public institutions will also work closely on implementation with **regional and local authorities**, sub-regional institutions, international institutions, academia, philanthropic organisations, volunteer groups and others.

“We commit to fully engage in conducting **regular and inclusive reviews of progress at sub-national**, national, regional and global levels.”

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld>

The Obama agenda (May 2015): “All of us have a responsibility to not only make sure our own children have pathways to success but that all children do.”

www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2015/05/02/obama_weekly_address_making_sure_every_child_gets_a_great_education.html

“Massively expanded Early Head Start program...provides early education, child care, parental education, and **health services** to vulnerable children ages 0 to 3...Build on current Head Start investments, to support a greater share of **infants, toddlers, and three-year olds** in America’s Head Start centers, while state preschool settings will serve a greater share of **four-year olds**...cohesive and well-aligned system of **early learning for children from birth to age five**.”

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonkblog/wp/2013/02/14/read-obamas-pre-k-plan/>

The Kentucky agenda: “Gov. Beshear believes we need more children enrolled in preschool programs...Gov. Beshear’s budget proposal includes the use of the recently awarded \$44 million **Race to the Top federal grant**. This grant will help provide support systems for families, increase professional development for early childhood teachers, improve data systems, and expand the state’s quality rating system for all licensed public and private learning programs.”

<http://www.prichardcommittee.org/media-center/governor-beshears-budget-proposal-good-students>

Race to the Top district-level investments in early childhood education.

http://governor.ky.gov/Speeches/20140121_BudgetAddress.pdf

SB 115 from 2015:

(4) The board shall: (a) Coordinate with the private nonprofit organization designated to select and mail the books and provide other program support; (b) Identify a nonprofit sponsoring organization in each county as a partner to fund and administer the initiative;

Books for Brains sets up a board and a fund to slide into private library programs of outreach to young children.

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United Nations worldview – trust government, reduce private

We need to be more aware of how the UN is planning and implementing through its partners and member governments. The most recent version of their agenda was finished Sep 2015.

- **Energy savings** outside of a free market or common sense way (unrealistic coal standards, water limits on toilets, temperature caps on heaters)
- **Land acquisition** by non-private owners, or restrictions on use of land by private owners
- **Manipulation of development** (incentives or regulations) from natural locations (ex: businesses moving to downtown Lexington instead of surrounding counties with much lower costs)
- **Parenting** is a societal event not an individual moral responsibility based on personal conviction
- **Poverty** is a problem and it can be solved
- **Gather biometric information** for any reason, often tagged security or terrorism



Rule of thumb: Support free market bills, oppose manipulation bills.

Biometrics – DNA , Fingerprints, Facial Recognition

Privacy and government intrusion on every front:

- Goal: build database. Methods: Arrest, ask, mandate, threaten security, offer perks.
- Fingerprint scanning, DNA, facial recognition: NOT foolproof technologies.
- Collection costs more. Storage poses more security threats.

 Need to pass legislation against REAL ID like HJR 133 from 2009.

Stop DNA, Obama Care Fingerprint collection, and eliminate use of Facial Recognition for IDs (including Voter ID).

Common Core, NGSS, C3 Social Studies

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"Eliminate all good sculpture from parks and buildings, substitute shapeless, awkward and meaningless forms.

“Discredit the American Constitution by calling it inadequate, old-fashioned, out of step with modern needs, a hindrance to cooperation between nations on a worldwide basis. Discredit the American Founding Fathers. Present them as selfish aristocrats who had no concern for the ‘common man.’

“Belittle all forms of American culture and discourage the teaching of American history on the ground that it was only a minor part of the ‘big picture.’ Give more emphasis to Russian history since the Communists took over.”

Problems with the global suite of Academic Standards by subject:

- **Math:** First grade doesn't learn to count change because we live in a credit card society
- **Math:** Algebra 2 basically disappeared. More fluff in the middle, less rigor at the top.
- **English:** complex literary forms being replaced with “informative texts” such as manuals
- **Science:** Physics mostly gone, Chemistry all gone. Replaced with environmental activism.
- **Science:** No foundation of knowledge and rules, more speculation and “thinking.”
- **Social Studies:** No American content whatsoever. Goal is to develop good global Kentuckians.
- **Social Studies:** three key foundations of our society are now equity, fairness, and freedom.
- **Art, Music, Dance:** teach kids to imagine and improvise rather than work from foundational rules to acquire and hone skills

We must restore quality, detail, and content at every turn!

Restore Felons

Our Constitution was written in 1891. The KRS has been forming over decades. **Each year, more “felonies” are created. What used to be a misdemeanor is now a felony.** Creating felons leaves more in the non-working, poor, disabled, revolving-door categories.

OUR #1 GOAL NEEDS TO BE REMOVING BARRIERS TO FELONS WORKING.

- Restore gun rights
- Allow felons back into licensed professions
- Restore voting rights

Religious Liberty

2015 battle: Worker’s comp fines for church volunteers, Private schooled police fighting to keep their jobs.

2016 battle: Government force on the rights of conscience.

If we fail to take action on the massive changes of one year, infringements will start to stack exponentially faster than we can handle.

The Communist agenda (1958): “Use technical decisions of the courts to weaken basic American institutions by claiming their activities violate civil rights.”

More Guns

We all know the more guns are around, the better and safer we are.

Second amendment: “shall not be infringed.”

Put gun infringements to death by a million papercuts with each of the gun-friendly bills.