



Mike Sparks
Tennessee General Assembly
49th District

Dear Friends,

Please review and complete the survey, your ideas and opinions are very important to me. I will personally read each survey and keep your personal reply in confidence. Your feedback will help us move forward together as I think about possible legislation.

I will never sell your e-mail address or use it for any commercial purposes. I am honored to represent you in the 110^h General Assembly.

Sincerely,

- 1) Should it be up to a county to decide whether their School Superintendent is elected or appointed?

Yes No Unsure

- 2) Should medical marijuana be legalized (In non-smoking form with prescription and strict Doctor Supervision)?

Yes No Unsure

- 3) With the recent school shootings, should Tennessee allow teachers with a concealed carry permit and proper training be allowed to carry a firearm while at school?

Yes No Unsure

- 4) Should Tennessee pass legislation for “constitutional carry of firearms”? This is defined as any person without a felony may openly carry their weapon without a permit process?

Yes No Unsure

- 5) Should the Tennessee General Assembly help find ways to encourage more affordable housing?

Yes No Unsure

6) Do you think the media portrays Christianity and family values negatively?

Yes No Unsure

7) Tourism is Tennessee's No.2 industry, behind agriculture and it reached \$19.3 billion in economic impact in 2017, contributing more than \$1.7 billion in state and local sales tax revenue. Much of our tourism is due to our state's rich history, such as civil war sites, monuments and historical landmarks. As your voice is it important to you, for me to bring awareness to the importance of 'Tennessee's Rich History,' and it's correlation to jobs and economic impact?

Yes No Unsure

8) Given the difficulties in implementing online TNReady achievement tests, the legislature and state department of education may conduct a comprehensive review of student testing- generally, do you think too much time and emphasis is placed on testing in grades K-12?

Yes No Unsure

9) Should Tennessee have an educational choice program where parents could use opportunity scholarships to choose the best school for their child, public or private?

Yes No Unsure

10) Are you in favor of increasing the minimum wage in Tennessee?

Yes No Unsure

11) Physicians argue that their present malpractice insurance premiums are a primary reason for the rising cost of health care services. Should the state help lower those premiums by limiting the amount of money juries can award in medical malpractice lawsuits?

Yes No Unsure

12) Please check the top three issues you believe are the most important issues which face our state.

- Immigration
- Education
- Health care
- Taxes
- Gun Rights
- Jobs & Workforce Development
- Infrastructure

13) As your elected State Representative your opinions and suggestions are important to me. Do you have any suggestions on how I can better communicate with you?

14) I recently passed a resolution to help bring awareness to the fatherless epidemic in America. According to the U.S. census bureau, 24 million children, and 1 out of 3, live without their biological father in the home. This is obviously an issue that we cannot legislate. What are your ideas to help impact children with a positive male role model in their lives?

Thank you, again. As always, if I may ever be of assistance to you, do not hesitate to contact my office 615-741-6829. I want you to know that I am always available, so feel welcome to contact me on my personal cellphone 615-525-3198. You can also reach me via email at:
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Sincerely,
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