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## New Mexico's Taxpayer-Friendly Candidates

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) asks all candidates for federal and state office to sign the Taxpayer Protection Pledge and thus demonstrate their solidarity with the taxpayers of their entire state, and district if applicable. **By signing the pledge, a candidate commits “to oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.”**

Signers of the Pledge are in good company: President Bush has signed the Pledge, and in so doing he joins 42 U.S. Senators, 217 Members of the U.S. House of Representatives, eight Governors, four Lieutenant Governors, two Attorneys General, four Secretaries of State, four Treasurers, and more than 1280 state legislators.

**In New Mexico, the following candidates have chosen to side with the taxpayers of their state and signed the Pledge:**

### INCUMBENTS UP FOR REELECTION:

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| 1. William Sharer (S-1)      | 9. Richard Cheney (H-2)           | 16. Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert (H-44) |
| 2. Sue Wilson Beffort (S-19) | 10. Irvin Harrison (H-5)          | 17. Gloria Vaughn (H-51)            |
| 3. Kent Cravens (S-21)       | 11. Ted Hobbs (H-20)              | 18. W.C. (Dub) Williams (H-56)      |
| 4. Joseph J. Carraro (S-23)  | 12. Eric Youngberg (H-23)         | 19. Daniel Foley (H-57)             |
| 5. Stuart Ingle (S-27)       | 13. Thomas Anderson (H-29)        | 20. Avon W. Wilson (H-59)           |
| 6. Rod Adair (S-33)          | 14. William E. Boykin (H-37)      |                                     |
| 7. Leonard Lee Rawson (S-37) | 15. Dianne Miller Hamilton (H-38) |                                     |
| 8. Gay G. Kernan (S-42)      |                                   |                                     |

### NEW CANDIDATES:

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Gwen Poe (S-12)              | 6. Al Lopez (S-39)          | 11. Kathy McCoy (H-22)       |
| 2. Fernando E. C De Baca (S-14) | 7. Freda B. Garnanez (H-4)  | 12. Justine Fox Young (H-30) |
| 3. Mary A. Gilbert (S-17)       | 8. John Butterfield (H-7)   | 13. Greg Payne (H-31)        |
| 4. Robert E. Mallin (S-25)      | 9. Michael Pyles (H-9)      | 14. Mary L. Thompson (H-36)  |
| 5. Lee S. Cotter (S-36)         | 10. Deborah A. Torza (H-16) | 15. F. Gregg Bemis (H-47)    |

In addition, the following incumbents have signed the Pledge and committed themselves not to raise taxes:

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| 1. Ramsay L. Gorham (S-10) | 2. Ron Godbey (H-22) | 3. Joseph M. Thompson (H-31) |
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*Americans for Tax Reform is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all tax increases. For more information or to arrange an interview please contact Jonathan Collegio at (202) 785-0266 or by email at [jcollegio@atr.org](mailto:jcollegio@atr.org).*