



# NEWS

## AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Paul Proski

Sandra Fabry

24 MAY 2004

202-785-0266

## ATR Congratulates Kentucky's Taxpayer-Friendly Primary Winners

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Americans for Tax Reform applauds the following taxpayer-friendly candidates who have signed the Taxpayer Protection Pledge for making it through the primary election on May 18. By signing the pledge, a candidate commits “to oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.”

ATR asks all candidates for federal and state office to stand in solidarity with the taxpayers of their entire state, and district if applicable. President Bush has signed the Pledge, and in so doing he joins 42 U.S. Senators, 216 Members of the U.S. House of Representatives, nine Governors, four Lieutenant Governors, two Attorneys General, four Secretaries of State, four Treasurers, and more than 1260 state legislators.

**In Kentucky, the following pro-taxpayer candidates have either won their primary or were unchallenged in the primary:**

### INCUMBENTS UP FOR REELECTION:

- |                           |                            |                           |                              |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Richard Sanders (S-9)  | 10. C.B. Embry, Jr. (H-17) | 19. Bob DeWeese (H-48)    | 28. Jon Reinhardt (H-69)     |
| 2. Richard Roeding (S-11) | 11. Stephen Nunn (H-23)    | 20. Mary Harper (H-49)    | 29. Danny Ford (H-80)        |
| 3. Vernie McGaha (S-15)   | 12. Jimmy Higdon (H-24)    | 21. Russ Mobley (H-51)    | 30. Jeff Hoover (H-83)       |
| 4. Jack Westwood (S-23)   | 13. Kevin Bratcher (H-29)  | 22. Ken Upchurch (H-52)   | 31. Tommy Turner (H-85)      |
| 5. Robert Stivers (S-25)  | 14. Ron Crimm (H-33)       | 23. Brad Montell (H-58)   | 32. James Stewart III (H-86) |
| 6. Walter Blevins (S-27)  | 15. Lonnie Napier (H-36)   | 24. Paul Marcotte (H-60)  | 33. Marie Rader (H-89)       |
| 7. Jim Bruce (H-9)        | 16. Perry Clark (H-37)     | 25. Royce Adams (H-61)    | 34. Tim Couch (H-90)         |
| 8. Jim Gooch (H-12)       | 17. Robert Damron (H-39)   | 26. Thomas Kerr (H-64)    | 35. W. Keith Hall (H-93)     |
| 9. Sheldon Baugh (H-16)   | 18. Stan Lee (H-45)        | 27. Joseph Fischer (H-68) | 36. John Vincent (H-100)     |

### NEW CANDIDATES:

- |                                |                              |                      |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Dana Seum Stephenson (S-37) | 4. Donna Broadway (H-26)     | 7. Gerry Lynn (H-27) |
| 2. Melvin B. Henley (H-5)      | 5. Paul Hosse (H-38)         |                      |
| 3. Alan C. Taylor (H-7)        | 6. Charles O. Bradley (H-62) |                      |

In addition, the following incumbents who are not up for re-election this year have signed the Pledge and committed themselves not to raise taxes:

- |                            |                             |                          |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Julie Rose Denton (S-3) | 5. Charlie Borders (S-18)   | 9. Ernie Harris (S-26)   |
| 2. Lindy Casebier (S-7)    | 6. Gary Tapp (S-20)         | 10. Brett Guthrie (S-32) |
| 3. Elizabeth Tori (S-10)   | 7. Tom Buford (S-22)        | 11. )                    |
| 4. Dan Kelly (S-14)        | 8. Katie Kratz Stine (S-24) |                          |

*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).*