

The Patriots' Truth

Flint Hills TEA Party News

See us at McALISTER'S DELI, EVERY WED after 5:30pm — *Join the Working Group. Next monthly meeting May 17 — 9:30am, at MFD Sta #1 — Kimball & Denison, Special Speaker TBA. Bring Your Important issues to be discussed. We MUST keep God in our Hearts. See you at McAlister's on Wed evenings. GOD be with you and yours!!*

2014 Legislative Update No. 11 from Ron Highland, Representative of the 51st District

The House spent the first three days of this week on the House floor debating and voting on bills in order to meet Wednesday's deadline for passing non-exempt bills out of the chamber. The next stage of the session is mainly reserved for the House and Senate to meet in conference committees. This is the process by which differences in bills are discussed and negotiated. Each chamber presents their bill and position along with what they like and don't like about the other chamber's bill. The top three members of each committee represent their respective chamber's position in the negotiations. When both sides believe they have an equitable agreement, they submit their report back to their respective chambers and each body votes on the report. If it passes both chambers, it is then submitted to the Governor for his signature or veto. If either house rejects the agreement, they go back to conference and resume the negotiation process. The conference committee process is followed for any bill which has differences from what the other chamber passed.

HB 2643 passed the House that puts into statute the guidelines of the Property Valuation Division (PVD) regarding classifying personal property. The bill also attempts a global solution to the ongoing difficulties associated with appraisal of business machinery and equipment. This bill would essentially set the default classification for the appraisal of machinery and equipment as personal property unless proven otherwise by the facts as applied by the three-part PVD test. The clarifying language contained in this bill would help prevent Kansas business from paying exorbitant property taxes due to misclassification of their machinery and equipment.

HB 2553 passed after vigorous debate and would seek to petition the US Congress for full control of the state's Medicare and Medicaid dollars. Section 1, Article 10 of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress the authority to approve compacts set up between states. The Health Care Compact would ask that Congress grant Kansas autonomy over the federal healthcare money that it receives so that Kansas can make decisions about how to address the healthcare needs of its citizens rather than federal bureaucrats.

SCR 1618 passed that would put on the ballot in the next election a constitutional amendment. If adopted by the voters, the amendment would allow nonprofit organizations to use a raffle for fundraising purposes. While these groups routinely do so under current law, the practice is actually illegal. This measure would simply install a legal process, allowing the legislature to make certain provisions to authorize licensing, conduct and regulation of any charitable raffles held by nonprofit, religious, charitable, fraternal, educational and veteran organizations. This would allow the state to regulate the raffle without violating the Kansas Constitution.

The Student Privacy Act passed the House, SB 367, which would ensure that certain student data collected by the state is kept private. SB 367 would limit what data is on a student's record, what can be disclosed, and to whom it may be disclosed. The people authorized to see the record would include parents/legal guardians, authorized personnel who need it to perform their assigned duties and public health officials. The bill would also prevent the collection of biometric data.

I am proud to say we passed two bills to honor and take care of our veterans. The goal outlined in the bill, HB 2675, is to award at least 3 percent of state contracts to veteran owned businesses. Another bill, SB 263, establishes the military funeral honor fund, to pay for the continuation of military funeral honors by the Kansas National Guard Honor Guard. The fund will have the ability to receive donations, grants, and gifts in support of the costs of providing funeral honors. The need comes as a result of federal budget cuts.

In a disappointing order on Friday, the US Fish and Wildlife Service listed the lesser prairie chicken on the threatened species list. This change in listing significantly reduces the commercial and industrial activities allowed on the land. The impacts of this ruling affect not only oil and gas production, but many other types of economic activity as well. Prior to the listing, Kansas along with four other surrounding states, who are home to the prairie

chicken, developed a habitat conservation program to partner with landowners and the federal government to reverse the trending habitat loss which has resulted in depressed population numbers. Unfortunately, the federal government listed the lesser prairie chicken before the program had an opportunity to work.

It was an honor to host two return pages this week. Justin Donaldson from Maple Hill and Louis Vopata from Paxico were a big help to the House members. I am pleased that they have developed an interest in state government along with all of their achievements. Linda and I attended the Rossville Community Foundation dinner and the 53rd Annual Kansas Prayer Breakfast in Topeka. On Saturday morning I participated with the Riley County legislative delegation in the Manhattan Legislative Town Hall Forum at the Manhattan Zoo.

April 4 is Drop dead day, or also known as first adjournment. Virtually all business should be done on that day. However, depending on the back and forth negotiations between the House and Senate this week, the school finance budget could be finished when we come back from break. We break until April 30 when veto session begins to consider any bills the Governor may have decided not to sign into law. May 15 is day 90 and the last day of session.

As a reminder, you can listen in to the House or Senate proceedings each day by going to <http://www.kslegislature.org/li/>. This web site also has the daily calendar with a listing of the bills to be considered that day for both the House and the Senate. This is your government and your Representatives and Senators need to know how you feel about issues before them.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve you. I can be reached by email, mail or in person at the Capitol. My office phone is [785-296-7310](tel:785-296-7310) and my email address is ron.highland@house.ks.gov.

Ron

Ron is one of the best Representatives our state has had in quite awhile. It doesn't matter to Ron if you are from his district or not he will be happy to discuss whatever is on your mind concerning our State laws. Ron is a good guy wanting to do his job as best he can and whole-heartedly believes that you and I are & should be a part of that. Most of our Senators and Representatives are of that belief. However, if your district Legislator happens to be one of those that won't talk to you or won't listen to you, call Ron – He'll help if he can.

Students Taught Guns Must Be Registered to Exercise 2nd Amendment Rights

from Godfather Politics | March 23, 2014

This is another example of how liberals are using the public schools to brainwash kids into their socialist way of thinking.

A seventh grade student in Springfield, Illinois, the state capital, was studying a workbook that he had been given in school that covered the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights. When this student read what the workbook said about the Second Amendment, he took the workbook and showed his parents, telling them that it was teaching lies.

One parent, who insists on remaining anonymous, read the following in the workbook:

“THE BILL OF RIGHTS: Amendments 1-10”

“Amendment 2 (1791): Right to Bear Arms”

“This amendment states that people have the right to certain weapons, providing that they register them and they have not been in prison. The founding fathers included this amendment to prevent the United States from acting like the British who had tried to take weapons away from the colonists.” [Emphasis mine]

The parents were likewise concerned about what their kids were being taught. They contacted Storyleak and told them:

“My son was given a workbook at school that is a compilation of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. When they covered the 2nd Amendment, he saw that they were stating that only ‘certain guns’ could be owned and that they had to be ‘registered,’ which he knew was false. He brought this to my attention as he felt it was wrong to teach these things that aren’t true. I’m extremely proud of my son for his actions.”

“Me and my children are active gun enthusiasts and supporters of the 2nd amendment. I have discussed the 2nd amendment with them several times and explained what it meant and its importance to our country.”

“I even told the school officials I talked to that you can’t reword the Constitution to what you think it should be and you should only teach what it is. We live in a society where children are being taught to fear firearms instead of embracing them and our shooting sports. Heck, 50-60 years ago you had police officers coming into schools teaching firearm safety and now we have schools teaching false information and fear. It’s a sad time.”

Even after the parent’s complaint to school officials, it appears that the workbook will continue to be used to brainwash students throughout the state of Illinois.

Illinois students are not the only ones being brainwashed with false teachings. A year ago, sixth graders in the Bryant School District in Arkansas were given an assignment telling them that they are part of a task force to re-write the Bill of Rights because they are outdated. They were told to use the ‘War on Terror’ and the Patriot Act to replace two amendments. The students were not being taught what the Bill of Rights say but rather what liberals want them to say.

High school students at Guyer High School in Denton, Texas are using an Advanced Placement History textbook, which is endorsed by Common Core and one of the most-used history textbooks in use. This textbook quotes the Second Amendment this way:

“The people have a right to keep and bear arms in a state militia.”

Basically, these students are being taught that only state police or militia such as the National Guard have the right to bear arms, not the common civilian American.

Realize that these warped and twisted lies are being taught to unsuspecting students all over the US. Within 10 years, all of these kids will be voting age and will vote the way they have been brainwashed to vote. If something isn't done soon, the Second Amendment will definitely be revised or removed within the next decade and Americans will lose the right to bear arms. The government will then start confiscating our guns and I know for a fact that when that happens, our streets will run red with the blood of innocent Americans along with the blood of law enforcement and military personnel. There will be a civil revolution that will have millions of casualties. Two hundred thirty-eight years ago, colonists were ready and willing to fight for the rights that we are losing today. It's time that we prepare to take on the same fight. Every American needs to re-read the Declaration of Independence, which starts out:

“IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.”

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. -- Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.” [Emphasis mine]

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Read more at <http://godfatherpolitics.com/14873/students-taught-guns-must-registered-exercise-2nd-amendment-rights/#AtKutASqvPWUMzbu.99>

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During the 503 days between the Trayvon Martin shooting and the Zimmerman Verdict, 10,865 blacks were killed by OTHER BLACKS!! Not even one of their names made National news!! Blacks killing blacks is not news! The United States ranks 3rd in murders throughout the world. But if you take out Chicago, Detroit, Washington DC, and New Orleans, the United States is 4th from the bottom for murders.

These 4 Cities also have the toughest Gun Control Laws in the United States. Besides all 4 are also controlled by Democrats. *Read those last two sentences again.*

It would be absurd to draw any conclusions from this data... RIGHT?

Hmmmmmm. It looks like even the Democrats could learn something one of these days by this kind of 'news'. Over and Over this type of "news" is made and what the Democrats think the lesson learned is that tighter and tighter control on guns is needed. The truth is that where citizens are allowed to carry guns and defend themselves there is rarely such grimes committed. HELLO!! These criminals/killers are just that – killers and criminals – but they are NOT Stupid. When the odds are that someone is going to shoot back they are NOT going to open fire there. Then there is the hoodlum shootings or drive bys. Sneak up, shoot, run. Shoot children, women, unarmed persons standing around on their own porch, yard, in the house. Makes them feel big and important. This is what I call "hoodlum shootings". Blacks shooting blacks – they put NO importance on another persons life. How did they get there – putting no importance on the lives of their own? I have NO IDEA, but it seems to me they have accomplished this on their own, within their own individualism.

Say That Again - Congress Needs a Raise? Maybe If They Start Doing Their Job!!

Congressional Rep. **[Jim] Moran** from Virginia says \$174K a Yr isn't enough to live on. Says they need a raise!! Democrat Lawmaker claims congress is "underpaid" – Representative **Trey Gowdy** from South Carolina -- on the record – America Do you think they are underpaid & do you as the taxpayer that pays their salary get even close to \$174,000? from Greta with Fox News.

When I first saw this I thought it was Kansas Senator Moran who said this. WOW!! I was pissed!! Kansas Senator Jerry Moran – I apologize.

THE LIBTARD SHOW

with Dixon Diaz

A liberal is someone who protested against the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan until Obama took office.

A liberal is someone who lives in a gated community but says that a border fence won't work.

A liberal is someone who thinks that Fox News Lies, but Obama doesn't.

A liberal is someone who says to a pregnant woman, "Don't smoke! It'll hurt your baby!" – but tells her it's okay to abort that same baby.

A liberal is someone who thinks the Republicans have a war on women but the Muslim world doesn't.

"I can see Putin's shoe print on Obama's behind from my house." ~ Sarah Palin

OWING OBAMACARE? When you die, you still may have to pay up!

ObamaCare death-debt? States can seize assets to recoup Medicaid costs |

CONSERVATIVEbyte.com -- posted on 1/23/14

More and more things keep coming out about [ObamaCare](#). Guess that happens when no one reads the bill. Check it out:

Tom Gialanella, 56, was shocked to find out he qualified for Medicaid under ObamaCare. The Bothell, WA resident had been able to retire early years ago, owns his home outright in a pricey Seattle suburb and is living off his investments.

He wanted no part of the government's so-called free health care. "It's supposed to be a safety net program. It's not supposed to be for someone who has assets who can pay the bill," he said.

And after reading the fine print, Gialanella had another reason to flee Medicaid — the potential death debt.

Though many may not realize it, states are allowed to recover the cost of health care after someone's death by seizing their assets. It applies to Medicaid recipients who are between the ages of 55 and 64. The law has been in place since 1993, when Congress realized states were going broke over rising Medicaid expenses.

But under ObamaCare, Medicaid eligibility has expanded dramatically along with the promise that the federal government will pick up the cost of the higher tab -- at least for the first few years, after which states

will be on the hook for a portion of the increase.

Millions more are entering the system, perhaps without knowing that their assets could be at risk.

However, just like Gialanella, others are opting out.

A Washington state couple in their early 60's actually got married recently so their combined income would keep them out of Medicaid and allow them to purchase a plan on the health exchange. Filing as individuals, their incomes had been low enough that they qualified for Medicaid.

They married primarily because Sophia Prins owns a home and wants to will it to her children without any worry that the government will attach a lien for the cost of her medical care. Prins doesn't think it's fair to go after the assets of people who get government assistance through Medicaid, but not those getting taxpayer subsidies through the exchange plans.

The story prompted Washington's Democratic governor, Jay Inslee, to issue an emergency rule change. It says the state may only recover the cost of nursing home care provided to Medicaid recipients in that 55-64 age group. That's the minimum allowable under the 1993 law.

"We have this population that we want to make sure they have access to health care," said state Medicaid Director MaryAnne Lindeblad. "We want them to get in so they can get the kinds of services that keep them healthy."

Oregon followed suit. But the 23 other states that expanded Medicaid under ObamaCare have not changed their estate recovery policies. A lot of money is at stake.

In 2004, California collected \$44.6 million through estate recovery. It's a number that is certain to rise dramatically. MediCal officials tell Fox News they expect 1-2 million additional enrollees by 2015.

Minnesota, a much smaller state than California, managed to collect \$25 million in 2004. It, too, is keeping its estate recovery policy in place.

Critics see a money grab.

"I think that people are maybe in for a shock when they find out their heirs are going to be paying for their care, because they got into a system under false pretenses," said Dr. Jane Orient of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons, a group opposed to the Affordable Care Act.

The estate recovery law is so under-the-radar right now that interest groups like the AARP are still studying how it will play out under ObamaCare for seniors.

Dan Springer joined Fox News Channel (FNC) in August 2001 as a Seattle-based correspondent

Read more at <http://conservativebyte.com/2014/01/owing-obamacare-die-still-may-pay/#JbQ18behlrzFE3FZ.99>

What a beautiful story... | from "AJ Fox" <a.j.fox@powerc.net> (good old WGN)

I was driving through northern Illinois last night listening to a call-in program on WGN in Chicago. People were calling in all upset about the goat's head sent to Cubs owner Tom Ricketts at Wrigley Field.

Some guy called in and said, "Why are you all so upset cause someone sent a goat's head to Wrigley... you're the guys that sent a horse's ass to the White House".

I almost ran off the road!!!

No one can collect "free" ObamaCare services from any doctor without showing ID. And since everyone is now required to have health insurance (or is given free insurance), the government is requiring that everyone have a photo ID. Don't look now, but ObamaCare just opened the door for voter ID.

Gee, I wonder how those poor, unemployed, underprivileged, old people are going to be able to get those photo ID's so they can get their "health benefits" when they couldn't get the ID for voting.

PART 19 - ObamaCare – How To Avoid the Taxes/Penalties **by David J Powell, CLU, ChFC, CFP, RHU**

CAUTION!!! CAUTION!!!

Individual open enrollment ended March 31, 2014 (unless there is ANOTHER delay). Between now and then many are thinking about going through the exchanges to get insurance either with a subsidy or by going onto the Medicaid roles in their state.

IT'S FREE OR ALMOST FREE!

Whenever the government is involved, particularly with this administration, you need to be on the lookout for the strings attached.

If you live in one of the 36 states that did NOT choose to run their own exchange there is still the possibility that the law suits will be upheld citing Section 1401 of ObamaCare. These states have Federally run exchanges, NOT ones where enrolled taxpayer's live "and which were enrolled in through an Exchange established by the State under 1311 of the PPACA."

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

That's because, if your State did not establish the exchange then there is no subsidy (tax credit). The "Premium Assistance Amount... is the amount equal to... the monthly premiums for... which cover the taxpayer... which were enrolled in through an Exchange established by the state under 1312..." of PPACA.

If the exact wording of the law is followed, then NO ONE in these 36 states is eligible for a subsidy (tax credit) since none of their Exchanges were established by the State. They were all established by the Federal Government!

Also, businesses would not owe penalties when no one can get subsidies. Taxes are only imposed when an employee gets a subsidy!

SO WHAT? I STILL GOT A SUBSIDY!

If you did, then you will owe the US government a refund!

Who can afford to come up with several thousands of dollars, UPON DEMAND, less than the people who think they have qualified for a subsidy? Refunding money that you did not qualify for is NOT a tax or penalty!!

The second concern is for those who go on the Government web site and have been put on Medicaid. Most states have strings attached to Medicaid money as well. We see that when we look at the following story that made national news at the end of January 2014.

Some Illinois Medicaid Recipients Could Lose Assets.

The Chicago Tribune (2/5, Frost) reports in continuing coverage that some recipients of Illinois' expanded Medicaid program face the possibility of having their assets seized in certain situations. The Tribune blames "a provision in the long-standing laws governing Medicaid that compel states to recoup certain medical costs after a person dies, either via liens placed on an individual's home or claims on their assets."

If you are put on the state Medicaid health plan in your state, please check this out very closely. Many are only concerned about the state recovering from assets when a person goes into a nursing home.

With the large numbers of people now sucked into the Medicaid system with its expansion under ObamaCare, states will be looking for ways to recover the extra outlay of funds they do not have in their budgets.

The low hanging fruit will be **YOUR** home or **YOUR** assets. Are you prepared to fight for what you have?



PART 20 – ObamaCare – How to Avoid the Taxes and Penalties by David J. Powell, CLU, ChFC, CFP, RHU

IF YOU PAY QUARTERLY ESTIMATED TAXES, beware!!

If you are the type of taxpayer who must file a quarterly tax return TO PAY ESTIMATED TAXES, April 15, 2014 will be bringing you a new surprise, complements of ObamaCare.

YOU get to begin paying the new penalty tax, if you are not covered by a PPACA qualified health plan in 2014.

For those of you who do not know how much that will be, it is the GREATER of \$95 or 1% of your income.

To help you with that calculation, if you make more than \$9500 in a year, you WILL owe the 1% of income level.

And it is not just the income of the person paying the quarterly estimated taxes; it is the income of the HOUSEHOLD!

PPACA defines the Household as:

“(A) FAMILY SIZE —The family size involved with respect to any taxpayer shall be equal to the number of individuals for whom the taxpayer is allowed a deduction under section 151 (relating to allowance of deduction for personal exemptions) for the taxable year.

“(B) HOUSEHOLD INCOME .—The term ‘household income’ means, with respect to any taxpayer for any taxable year, an amount equal to the sum of—

“(i) the modified gross income of the taxpayer, plus“(ii) the aggregate modified gross incomes of all other individuals who—

“(I) were taken into account in determining the taxpayer’s family size under paragraph (1), and

“(II) were required to file a return of tax imposed by section 1 for the taxable year.

“(C) MODIFIED GROSS INCOME —The term ‘modified gross income’ means gross income —

“(i) decreased by the amount of any deduction allowable under paragraph (1), (3), (4), or (10) of section 62(a),

“(ii) increased by the amount of interest received or accrued during the taxable year which is exempt from tax imposed by this chapter...”

Because those paying estimated taxes must pay them equally throughout the year proceeding the year when taxes are filed, NOW (April 15, 2014) is the time that this penalty must begin to be paid.

So we have individuals and small businesses beginning to pay the PENALTIES imposed under the new health care law BEFORE 2015.

Each person or entity that pays quarterly estimated taxes must now calculate not only the income they expect to pay taxes on for 2014, they must now also calculate the penalty they are expected to pay for not having a PPACA qualified health plan during 2014.

The one cushion is that you will only be required to pay for the number of months you actually did not have a qualified health plan. But you must have had such a plan for at least 9 months during 2014 or you must pay for a whole year.

Remember, if you do not calculate the totals close enough, you will also pay an additional tax for underestimating the amount due. If you leave off the new penalty tax, you could be faced with this additional underestimate tax.

They’ve got you coming and going!!

Check with your accountant to be sure you are not getting stuck with penalties upon penalties!

Big Brother is watching!

ObamaCare 21 - How to Avoid the Taxes and Penalties ADMINISTRATION JUSTIFIES DELAYING PPA CA PLANS!

Many have been stunned by the administration’s continued delays in implementing many parts of the new healthcare law.

I have been saying since day one that there are a lot of “glitches” in the law that could allow each state to let health insurance companies continue offering plans that were offered prior to 2014.

Several recent news articles are now agreeing with me!

These articles are pointing out that the administration is using the requirements and definitions contained in section 5000A to give the commissioners or insurance departments in each state the ability to allow insurance companies let those they insure continue with existing health plans.

What they are saying is that I AM CORRECT!

Section 500A states that to be a qualified plan, under the law, it must offer “minimum essential coverage.” This applies to both individual plans and group plans.

The definition in the law of “minimum essential coverage” is:

- GOVERNMENT PLANS such as Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP-program & TRICARE-for-life plans, etc.
- EMPLOYER SPONSORED PLANS.
- PLANS IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET.
- GRANDFATHERED HEALTH PLAN.
- AND OTHER PLANS APPROVED BY HHS.

To further refine the definition:

“PLANS IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET — Coverage under a health plan offered in the individual market within a State.”

“ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PLAN — The term ‘eligible employer-sponsored plan’ means, with respect to any employee, a group health plan or group health insurance coverage offered by an employer to the employee which is —

“(A) a governmental plan (within the meaning of section 2791(d)(8) of the Public Health Service Act), or

“(B) any other plan or coverage offered in the small or large group market within a State.”

Further, the only plans that can be offered within a State are those plans approved for sale by the Commissioner of Insurance or the Insurance Department in each state.

Finally, my contention and the point that the administration is using is basically this. ANY plan that has been sold in a State, had to be approved for sale in that State!

I would challenge you further that all plans sold before January 1, 2014, were approved for sale in that state. They were never disapproved! They were simply replaced by some plan that may have had more appeal or for some other marketing reason.

They were simply put on the shelf to gather dust, never expecting to see the light of day again. BUT, any of them could be dusted off and sold again today because they were approved for sale within a State!

Using this provision, the Democrat administration opened the door to “If you like your plan, you can keep your plan.” But they have also given states and insurance companies wiggle room to walk through that door.

It will be interesting to see how many do...

Why I Support Milton Wolf!!

By Larry Tawney

I support Milton Wolf because I believe the Conservative movement needs Dr Milton Wolf!!

I believe in a filibuster we will have a Senator who will give more than 21/2 minutes to a Conservative Cause. The slavery of our children with all of this National debt – National financial Slavery. It really has to stop!!! I believe Milton Wolf when he says he is for government for “We the People.”

There is NO Republican Royaltian, if there is any that belongs to Senator Roberts.

I believe that Wolf along with other Conservatives running for Senate will make a difference ie ones like Joe Miller out for a Senate Seat in Alaska.

We need to check out who the Conservatives are across the Country and push for them in any way we can, as often as we can!!!

Putin: *I will make the U.S. look pathetic and weak!!!!*

Obama: *Ha! Impossible!! I've already done that!!*

~ from Glenn McCoy



Kathleen Sebelius finally took the hint and resigned from the Health care position that Kansas Senator Pat Roberts nominated her for before she was appointed. Oh, yes, Roberts called for her resignation when things were not working – but don't forget, he was also the one that nominated her for the position to begin with. NOW the Senator wants to take credit for her resignation. He no longer mentions the fact he nominated her in the beginning. What many Kansans would like for him to do is turn in his own resignation – it is TIME!!! Forty years, YES, 40 YEARS IS WAY TOO LONG for one person to be in Congress. They forget why they are there and cease to truly represent their constituents. It has been recently revealed that Pat Roberts HAS NOT LIVED IN KANSAS since he was a teenager. I'll acknowledge that being an uneducated voter has allowed my ignorance to take precedence here. I, along with many other Kansans, have allowed these people to pull the wool over our eyes. In order for this to happen, Pat

Roberts and Bob Dole worked with the Kansas Legislature to allow Congressional Senators to represent Kansas while living elsewhere. **Boy, did they fool us!! Neither of them lived in Kansas while making their living pretending to be Kansans taking care of Kansans.** They showed their best skills by going to the Kansas Legislature and changing the wording in the State Statutes so they could legally represent Kansas in Congress without ever setting foot in Kansas. **Boy, did they snow us. The only time they were in Kansas was to campaign!!** Yes, those statutes **MUST** be changed!! In the mean time we, all Kansans, **must** wake up and vote for Kansans living in Kansas. Pat Roberts didn't live in Kansas while he represented us, he need not come here now!! We need a Senator that will live here when Congress is not in session!! That would NOT be Pat Roberts.



"... He's very conservative."
~ Senator Pat Roberts

Friends,

Yesterday I held a town hall meeting in Wichita. The town hall was just another in a series of events and meetings I have held across Kansas to share my conservative message directly with Kansans.

One thing is clear: Kansans want a fearless conservative as our next United States Senator.

If given your most sacred trust, I will fight every day to save our country. The times have never been more serious than they are today. Barack Obama is trying to destroy our country, and the Establishment Republicans have barely been a speed bump. Worse than that, they are often complicit in the direction he is taking our country.

Senator Roberts spends his time anywhere but Kansas, and he certainly doesn't put up a fight against Obama when he is home in Virginia. Just last week he flew over Kansas at 30,000 feet to spend 2 days in California during the congressional work period.

He has voted 11 times to raise the debt ceiling. And he voted twice to put Kathleen Sebelius in charge of ObamaCare.

I need you to join our cause today! Senator Roberts has been in Washington for **47 years**. Believe it or not: **47 years**. Send a message to Senator Roberts that you are tired of career politicians by contributing **\$47 dollars today**.

Friends, we are up against a very important end of the quarter deadline. The nation is watching Kansas as we are quickly becoming ground zero for the conservative movement in America. Join our cause with your most generous contribution today.

Together we can save our country.

Steadfast,
Milton Wolf

*"If we ever forget that we are 'One Nation Under God' then we will be a Nation gone under."
~ Ronald Reagan*

Here's a real head-scratcher:

Why are we always hearing that Social Security is going to run out of money, but we never hear that Welfare programs are running out of money? The perplexing thing is, the first group worked for their money, but the second didn't...

**RUSH: It's Official!!! The Takers Outnumber The Workers...
86 Million Makers (*Working Americans*) to 148 Million Takers
(*Those supported by the United States Government*).**

2014 Legislative Update No. 12 from Ron Highland, Representative of the 51st District

We were supposed to end the first part of the session on April 4. Because of the education bill, the debate lasted throughout Saturday until 1:30 a.m. Sunday, April 6, ending with the final vote at 10 pm that day. Last week was filled with bills to be passed and many were bundled with other bills.

The House version of an education bill differed substantially from the Senate bill on Friday. Both chambers passed their version and the conference committee, comprised of three members from the each chamber, began their deliberations. A compromise bill was presented to the House Saturday evening. Because the bill was a House bill we voted first. We debated late into the night and then it was voted down. The conference committee began deliberations again. They worked all day Sunday and came to an agreement late. The new bill now had a Senate number; they had to vote first and passed it out. The House met at 9 pm Sunday and after a short debate a vote was taken. It passed with the required 63 votes and now awaits the signature of the Governor.

The Kansas Supreme Court forced the issue and placed a deadline of July 1 to resolve the deficiencies as they saw them. The major part was to equalize funding between school districts. Funding formulas are based on an arbitrary number called base state aid. That number in no way reflects the total amount of money each school receives. The Court recognized this and said

all funding sources can be used to report funding for districts and per pupil. With that ruling the actual amount of spending per pupil average across the state is about \$12,500.

The bill also sets up a commission to study the issue in depth. This is needed to evaluate the formulas used because inequities did occur and need to be corrected. The Court also stated that funding is not a final determinant of a quality education. They directed that education outcomes need to be considered. The new commission will have to consider methods for determining outcomes as well as the funding. Their work will be difficult and they have to report to the Legislature by the start of next session in January, 2015.

A part of the bill addresses teacher tenure and removed it from the current system. Teachers are appreciated and respected by everyone. However, because of the system, excellent teachers were limited to a pay scale determined by seniority and other factors. Our desire is to allow them to negotiate more openly, to give the better teachers an opportunity for just reward. Many believe that teacher's salaries are determined by the Legislature and the Governor. This is not the case. The local school districts determine their budgets, not the Legislature. Salaries are negotiated by each district school board and their teacher's representative(s). Their chosen representation in most cases is their union. Many have said that teacher's rights have been taken away, but they still have due process and Federal and State laws remain in place to protect workers. They have the same rights as all workers.

My vote for the education bill was based upon the knowledge gained from serving on the Education Committee for two years and listening to constituents about what would be best for the children of our state. We found during our meetings that learning to read and the value of a good teacher are the two most critical factors for student success. There are some problems with our education system in Kansas and most of the problems have nothing to do with money. In fact, Kansas ranks fourth in the nation in education spending. Teachers and administrators have ever-increasing demands upon them from all sides. State and federal mandates force extra work upon the education system. We are losing good teachers because of these frustrations.

Our rankings in the nation are way below where the Department of Education, the Legislature and Governor want us to be and all are working toward improvement goals. Personal responsibility by all concerned will be required for us to improve student success. The Legislature and the Governor have only started the process with the addition of 129 million in spending along with the changes in the education budget. Parents and all interested taxpayers must get involved and hold their elected state and local school boards, who represent them, accountable. We value our belief in local control and to retain that control takes personal involvement.

Most bills passed last week were non-controversial and either corrected technical issues in law or enacted laws that were specific in nature that did not affect everyone in the state. Major bills yet to come during the veto session include the Mortgage fee bill, some energy related bills, and taxes. A couple bills that may be of interest to all were: SB 311- amends the Code of Civil Procedure to increase the cap for non-economic damages in personal injury from \$250,000 to \$350,000 by July 1, 2022; and HB 2057- deals with appointing interim county appraisers and personal property taxes. HB 2057 was a bundled bill that six other bills were inserted into. I refer you to <http://www.kslegislature.org/li/> to read the details of the bills.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve you. We are now in a break until the veto session begins on April 30. During this time I can best be reached by email at ron.highland@house.ks.gov.

From ACLJ – 4/16/14 — by Jay Sekulow, ACLJ Chief Counsel

On the Verge of Victory

We are close to victory - a big victory for liberty.

Earlier this week, the Assistant Commerce Secretary told Congress that the Commerce Department is considering renewing a key contract that would maintain American control over the Internet.

The Obama Administration may be backing down, and you are making it happen.

After more than 120,000 petition signatures, we worked with key Members of Congress as they drafted legislation to save the Internet, and now the Obama Administration has heard your voice.

But we can't rest.

We can't be sure we've won until the Commerce Department has put pen to paper and renewed its contract - guaranteeing the Internet remains under U.S. control. Let's go directly to the Obama Administration with a new, powerful petition.

Jordan Sekulow

ACLJ Executive Director

A lady went to Confession telling her Priest: Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. Last night I killed a Congressman.....
The Priest replied: My daughter, I'm here to listen to your sins, not your community service work.....

N.C. State Board Finds More than 35,000 incidents of ‘Double Voting’ in 2012

Taken from: National Review Online by Andrew Johnson on 4/2/14

North Carolina’s Board of Elections found that tens of thousands of registered voters from the state have personal information matching that of registered voters in other states, and appear to have voted in states other than North Carolina in 2012. In some cases, votes were cast under names of individuals who had passed away before Election Day.

The review searched databases in 27 other states and 101 million voter records for information such as matching names, dates of birth, and Social Security numbers.

The review found that 35,570 North Carolina voters from 2012 shared the same first names, last names, and dates of birth with individuals who voted in other states. Another 765 Tar Heel State residents who voted in 2012 had the same names, birthdays, and final four digits of a Social Security number as voters elsewhere.

Meanwhile, the election board’s executive director, Kim Westbrook Strach, told lawmakers that 81 deceased North Carolinians apparently voted in 2012 as well. While some appear to have submitted absentee ballots prior to their death, she said “there are between 40 and 50 who had died at a time that that’s not possible.”

Strach offered a series of proposals for the state to consider to better secure its voting practices and reduce fraud, including on-site digital face-recognition or electronic-signature technology.

Chris Kobach

This is going to be short and probably not very sweet. Last Tuesday the Riley County Republicans held a forum for the 4 candidates running for Kansas State Insurance Commissioner.

From Patriot Action Network Happy Easter

Easter is a timely reminder in the midst of difficulties in our nation; Jesus is still on the throne! We pray that you had a wonderful day of reflection with family, or friends on this Easter/Resurrection Sunday.

We have a long road ahead and some major work this year with the midterm elections. There is an old saying “How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time!” Remember this as we attack the work ahead.

There are 3 things we hope you will make a priority...

- 1. Pray for the nation and for favor for the work conservatives are doing.**
- 2. Get involved locally to Get Out the Vote in your community for the primary election.**
- 3. Support Conservative candidates and PACS that are supporting these candidates to FLIP THE SENATE!!!**

Yes, Jesus is still on the throne and he is waiting on us to stand for Him and on the side of good and to fight evil.

**God Bless you and yours and God Bless America again,
The Patriot Action Network Team**

I pray God was with you and yours on this Holy Day.