

iSOS Indivisible Meeting Notes March 11(Rep. Matthew McQueen)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Marilee Harrison is rejoining us. She is still living in Kansas City, MO.
- Today and tomorrow are the last day for nominating petitions.
- Conversation Working for Primary Candidates:
 - Work individually. When there are two dems in opposite in primary, we will invite both to speak to us if there are candidates we want to talk to. Ask them a list of questions.
 - We will support candidates we agree to support.
 - National races
 - we want to hold the senate and get the house back and keep Biden in office.
 - We don't have means and time for these races. We will prioritize from Chris Waddell's lists for candidates and states. We are focused on 10 states, one of which is our own.
 - Let's discuss field team 6, which started in CA in 2018. They register progressive-leaning people. Instrumental in flipping Katie Porter's district. They now register people online. Follow the link to team field 6. Texas. Because there is so much to do, iSOS wants to give us opportunities to do stuff.
 - Battleground states - no one thinks of Texas as one. But there is a senate opportunity - Ted Cruz. So categories like dem candidates in Blue states.
 - We might want to differentiate - potentially flippable Senate seats in red states. Etc.
 - The next election committee meets on Zoom March 22 at 1 pm.

MATTHEW McQUEEN

- He is a lawyer.
- 2 counties. Matt and Liz had been redistricted into red districts and in 2020 were redistricted again into more blue.
- He works on House Energy Environment and Natural Resources. HEENRC
- 10 years of representation
- He had South of ABQ. Now it's more compact and blue. Such SAF, Placitas. Etc.
- Edgewood: ordinance is unconstitutional for the abortion ban.
- House Energy is usually quiet in 30 day but it had a few bills. Clean Fuel close. Cost shifting between clean gas and diesel. If you are producing unclean fuel, you have to buy credits. You can certify you and not leaking methane.
- About compliance: Bigger players are better at compliance. They don't want to be out of compliance.
- Independents don't want to do this. They opposed HB133 - fix for oil and gas act. Currently you can bond for all wells. \$350K to clean a well. 133 was a Gov's bill. Started out with an okay bill. And then it just got chipped away. Set backs went away, etc. Indigents want to participate in the building of the bill and then shut it down.
- Plugging Wells. 98% methane capture is a rule. So were trying to put into the statue. HB 133 - venting and flaring. If we want it to stop the taxpayer will have to pay it. The only thing that passed was a tax break for stripper wells. They come in and operate these wells.
- House bill 48 - increase top rate for leasing for oil and gas royalty. The lease is set out in the statue.

- Game commission reform. His last year's bill was pocket vetoed. House bill 22, and two words different and someone found it. 2nd try. 3rd try HB 178. Forget it.
- The oil and gas act needs reformed. No doubt about it. We have people who won't touch anything for oil companies
- The goV made 2 appointments. One is a big Gov donor, Dan Perry is Hunting Manager of something controversial.
- Matt doesn't know why the Gov is so difficult on these matters.
- Where can we go to find out about good oil and gas companies? It's hard to understand some of the reasons they do good things.

Interim Committees -

- He will do something different. Sen. Stefanics tried to do topics members wanted. He won't do that.
- He wants to use interim committees to tee up action items. He would love Dept Game and fish to have bipartisan support. They don't like the word wildlife. But it has to happen.
- What can we do? Look at agenda, show up where we want to show up.

Water and the Gov -

- Gov made a big announcement in DuBai. \$half billion. He looked at this and it doesn't make financial sense.
- The Gov doesn't back down easily. Admin says give us the \$ - will produce and brackish water.
- Stand alone bill. \$100m for only brackish water. He said we will fund a study but show us what you want to do with \$250 or \$500 m.
- There still might be stuff in water. Lots of earthquakes in Texas, NM. There is brackish water in NM. There's been a few proposals like some that have been turned down.

Modernization -

- All bills died. 45 45 died because the Dem caucus died.
- 45 45 is an improvement
- Too many memorials. He had a path through the Senate. Second last day. He thought it would be first in Senate.
- 133 will come back. Veto and 45 will come back.

Does he run into a problem when you work with O&G? Pragmiticism? Holding out for a better deal means you won't get it.

Final words of wisdom? It's an honor to serve but frustrating too.

Memorials: He would lie to limit the # of bills and maybe get one memorial. Distinguish a request and one like National Stargazing Day.