

Bioscience Industry 2009 Legislative Survey:

1. Name:

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2. What is the office seat you are running for and in what district is that seat?

House of Representatives
25th District

3. FEDERAL RESEARCH INITIATIVES - Do you support recruiting large-scale federal research initiatives to Kansas, such as the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility which several state stakeholders are currently trying to recruit to Manhattan, Kansas? If yes, how involved should the Kansas legislature be in these recruitment efforts? Do you feel the state of Kansas has assembled the right kind of coalition to go after projects of this magnitude?

Yes. It is my understanding that the Governor's Office and Senate & House Leadership have met with our U.S. Senators & Congressmen to coordinate negotiations for this very important economic development project. Their team, coupled with Tom Thornton and the KBA, provide the experience needed to advocate for Kansas.

4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - At what level of funding do you support the following state-funded economic development agencies, programs and incentives?

| | Increase Funding | Maintain Funding | Decrease Funding | Eliminate Funding |
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| Kansas Bioscience Authority (KBA) | - | Selected | - | - |
| Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation (KTEC) | Selected | - | - | - |
| Angel Investor Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |
| Research & Development Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |
| Business Machinery & Equipment Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |
| High Performance Incentive Program (HPIP) Investment Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |
| HPIP Training & Education Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |

5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Using your answers to the economic development funding question above as a guide, please explain your rationale for either increasing, maintaining, decreasing or eliminating funding for each agency, program or incentive. Also, please use the space below to explain any new program/incentive ideas you may wish to introduce or how you plan on reallocating resources.

KBA - The KBA is the best tool Ks. has to bring businesses and jobs to Kansas. We should re-assess its progress once the \$581mm has been collected to determine if we, the STATE, should continue deferring funds for the purpose of growing the industry.

KTEC - If dollars continue to be cut, how can Ks. invest in new business initiatives. KTEC is a catalyst for business development in Ks., as well as a forecaster for workforce development needs. We should NOT divert funds to other programs.

HPIP Investment & HPIP Training/Education - Being re-worked to provide capital directly to business might be the answer.

Tax credits are wonderful incentives, but I hesitate to say I would support increases in any of the aforementioned due to the economic crisis that will certainly impact the Kansas budget.

6. STEM CELLS - During the 2008 Kansas legislative session, legislators did not engage in much stem cell research or definition discussion, while in other states (such as Missouri), the topic seemed to dominate their legislative session. Do you feel that stem cell definitions and guidelines should be determined at the federal level or at the state level?

Easing definitions at the federal level would make it easier for research institutes to move forward, but reassuring our science community that this type of study should move forward is a priority. The spin-off of developing research into new businesses is a model we should encourage, for the citizens and their health, as well as the economic benefit.

7. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION - Do you support helping to establish guidelines for intellectual property (IP) protection for bioscience companies who wish to partner and engage in research projects with Kansas' research universities?

Yes. If we're to keep the commercialization of IP in Ks., we will have to have guidelines than insure that the development of new projects stay in Ks, and not be outsourced to competitors in other states.

8. BIOSCIENCE INDUSTRY GROWTH - What are one or two areas where you feel you could impact the growth of the biosciences industry in Kansas?

Communication across the state, and continued support of state dollars to promote new bioscience businesses.