



## Questions for Candidates for State Legislative Office from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

*Our questionnaire is for candidates to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.*

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| Candidate Name | Position for which Candidate is Running |
| Scott Bowen    | State Representative HD 129             |

*Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.*

1. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.
 

**Answer: I have a long history as a Republican volunteer dating back to my original involvement in Rep. Dennis Paul’s campaign in 2014. After that, I became a precinct chair, Senate District chair, and Local Government Committee chair within the Harris County GOP. I also joined the SREC in 2022 and served as Resolutions Chair until 2025, and served as Legislative Priorities Committee Chairman at the 2024 RPT convention.**

**In addition to my experience with the party, I was elected to the Clear Creek ISD Board of Trustees in 2019 and served through 2025. In all of these roles, I’ve worked to ensure the voice of constituents was heard (whether party activists, in my party roles, or parents, in the school district) and stuck to principled conservative policy. I fought against school lockdowns and masks in the COVID era, and cut the tax rate every year I was on the school board.**

**These experiences make me qualified to replace Rep. Paul as he goes to the State Senate and ensure continued conservative representation for our district.**

2. Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s).

**Answer: Significant issues are, among many, property taxes, crime, and education. I'll expand on my plans for these issues in the next section.**

**My opponent would probably agree with the above, but he has very little history in the Republican Party—having never been a member of any Republican clubs or involved except for his failed run for the State Senate against Mayes Middleton in 2022. We also discovered that he made a donation to Sheila Jackson Lee (in fact the only candidate he had ever donated to until last year). Record of this donation can still be found on the FEC's website.**

**I have been a longtime Republican volunteer and donor, and have never strayed from that. I am also committed to voting with the Republican caucus in the next Speaker election if there is a contested floor vote, as the RPT Platform requires. I will never be part of a breakaway faction of Republicans that votes with Democrats in a leadership election.**

3. What will be your top 3 priorities during your upcoming term?

**Answer: My priorities are to address the issues identified above. I agree with Gov. Abbott's plan to eliminate school property taxes for homeowners by using state surplus funds, and to limit growth in appraisals to 3% per year. Crime must be addressed by holding rogue judges and prosecutors accountable and by ending cashless bail. Education is an area where I have a great deal of experience—we need to return to traditional methods of teaching basic subjects and keep DEI and LGBTQ content out of classrooms.**

4. What key public state issues do you think need to be addressed by Republicans in 2026-2027, such as AI data centers impact on electricity rates, fraud in state government social programs, DEI, medical rights, infrastructure, etc.?

**Answer: The solution to electricity rates is to generate more electricity and make it easier to do so, especially through reliable gas, oil, and nuclear expansion. I reject a de-growth green mindset that we should lower consumption of power—it’s just a fact that as the economy grows and our lifestyles improve, we will consume more electricity across the board.**

**Fraud in state programs is a major problem. I believe that any program that exceeds a certain level of detected fraud should be suspended or eliminated. Also, illegal immigrants should not be able to benefit from any state program, and anyone found to be wiring money out of the country should be immediately declared ineligible for assistance.**

**DEI should be eliminated across the board. We can save considerable amounts of money by ending these programs, especially in the universities. The state is also spending a significant amount of money on need-based scholarships and, until recently, in-state tuition for illegal immigrants. That should end.**

**Infrastructure is a key need. I believe in building roads—which give Texans the unrestricted ability to go where they want—not public transit, which only goes to the locations the government deems important. “If you don’t build it, they won’t come” is not an acceptable strategy. Texans of the present and the future deserve world-class roads, drainage, water, and power infrastructure to support economic and population growth.**

5. What is your strategy in working with the Texas Senate to get more of the Texas GOP legislative priorities passed in the next legislative session?

**Answer: I already have a great working relationship with future Senator Dennis Paul and would be happy to cooperate to ensure bills are introduced in both houses. Our Republican majority seems to have an easier time passing bills through the Senate than through the House, but I’m willing to work with them as needed to get our party priorities across the finish line.**

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