



Connecting the Dots

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Election Day

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Greetings Members & Friends,

The election season is squarely upon us. Most are focusing almost exclusively on the latest developments in the most unusual presidential race between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. However, in Kentucky we have some very important state legislative races much closer to home.

From his unprecedented removal of various state board appointees with unexpired terms, to alleged attempts to coerce members of the State House of Representatives to switch their party affiliations and his efforts to place obstacles in the way of 400,000 Kentuckians who finally have healthcare courtesy of the Medicaid expansion provision of Obamacare, Governor Matt Bevin has raised partisan politics in Frankfort to a fever pitch.

The Democrats, who have held a majority in the Kentucky State House for ninety-five years, presently have a 53 to 47 advantage over Republicans who have stood with the Governor.

Based upon their opposition of Bevin's cuts to higher education spending and his attempts to restrict healthcare coverage, The People's Campaign endorses House candidates Linda Belcher (49th



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District), Jim Glenn (13th District), Cluster Howard (91st District), Russ Meyer (39th District), Chuck Tackett (62nd District) and Jeff Taylor (8th District).

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Best Regards,

Clark

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Kentucky's Pension Crisis

Although the well being of our state's pension systems will have the most direct effect on the financial security of our teachers, police, and other public servants, its effects will also be felt by many more Kentuckians either in the form of an increase in taxes or, more likely, a reduction in state funding for healthcare and public education.

However, contrary to Governor Bevin's position, cutting funding for higher education is neither necessary nor responsible. Kentucky has cut funding for higher education by more than 30% since 2008. Meanwhile, other states have begun to increase education funding. Additionally, Bevin's education cuts will translate into more burdensome tuition hikes, making college out of reach for some of our best and brightest people.

Bevin has also declared that he wants to transform the manufacturing industry in our state, and has requested \$100 million in funding for workforce development programs. Still, he has failed to provide further details. Like stabilizing state pension funds, workforce development is a major need in the Commonwealth, but the creation of such programs should not come at the expense of funding for higher education.

The Governor has paraded his budget cuts around under a facade of fiscal responsibility. However, like dismantling Kynect, this is simply another example of Bevin putting other interests ahead of the interests of the people. Furthermore, cutting funding for higher education at a time when a growing portion of future jobs will require college educated workers is highly irresponsible.

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