

John Amiral, 87th District

2009 Virginia House of Delegates Candidate Questionnaire

1. Specifically, what unique qualities and/or qualifications will you bring to the office you seek?

My service in the Navy taught me that real leaders always take the helm. As your delegate, I will use my extensive background in economics and communication to help create jobs and increase civic participation to new levels. I will lead the way to reform our education system and reduce the dropout rates. I will keep in constant contact with my constituents and work with business leaders to eliminate unnecessary or redundant regulations. As your delegate I will never stop looking for new and better ways to serve my country and my commonwealth.

2. What transportation changes or improvements do you advocate and how specifically would you pay for them?

Make transportation solutions a priority. I'm all for business solutions. In addition to existing tunnels we need to let private companies to build bridges to complement the tunnels. I would exercise tolls for new bridges for limited amount of time. Those who don't want to spend time in traffic can pay the toll and use the bridge instead. This will take some of the pressure out of tunnels.

3. Aside from transportation, what do you believe are two other important challenges facing the Commonwealth? Specifically, what responses do you propose and how will you pay for them?

- Jobs and Economy
- Education

Cut taxes to help create jobs and let families keep more of their money

Limit government spending and STOP passing debt to our children and grandchildren

Make first \$30,000 of teacher pay state income tax free

Eliminate drugs and gangs from our schools