



League of Women Voters of Wisconsin Education Fund

VOTERS' GUIDE

2004 Fall General Election
Vote on Tuesday, November 2, 2004

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

In an effort to fulfill our mission of encouraging active and informed citizen participation in government, the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin Education Fund (LWVWIEF) has surveyed all the candidates certified for the 2004 Wisconsin Partisan Fall General Elections. This *Voters' Guide* has been prepared in advance of the November General Election. This *Voters' Guide* contains verbatim responses from candidates in statewide elections. Candidates and their responses are listed according to order by the Wisconsin State Elections Board. Candidates were asked to adhere to word limits imposed by printing space requirements. Where these were excluded, the response is marked as "[Word Limit]". "No Reply" is noted for candidates who did not respond to the League questionnaire.

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VOTING IN WISCONSIN

Qualifications:

U.S. citizenship, 18 years of age by Election Day, residence in Wisconsin and your voting ward/district for at least 10 days prior to Election Day are required. Residence in a ward/district for fewer than 10 days, but immediately preceded by residence elsewhere in Wisconsin, allows an elector to vote in the former ward/district by absentee ballot. Absentee ballots are available at each municipal clerk's office. For additional information on voting in Wisconsin, please contact your local municipal clerk, the LWVWI website at <http://www.lwvwi.org/>, or the State Elections Board website at <http://elections.state.wi.us/>.

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Registration is required in most municipalities; check with your municipal clerk. The deadline for mail-in registration in most municipalities is 5:00 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday before the election – Oct 20 for the Fall 2004 General Election. **You can also register in person at the clerk's office (up to the day before the election) or at the polls on Election Day.** Acceptable proof of residence is required, such as a driver's license or identification card with your current and complete name and address. If you do not have proof, a qualified voter from your municipality can serve as your witness to verify your address. This corroborator must then provide acceptable proof of residence.



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Candidate Party Key:

(C) = Constitution; (D) = Democratic; (I) = Independent; (L) = Libertarian; (R) = Republican; (WG) = Wisconsin Green;

United States Congress

U.S. CONGRESS

About the U.S. Congress

Comprised of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the U.S. Congress is responsible for making laws for the country. It has legislative power to spend and tax in order to provide for the common defense and promote the general welfare of the citizenry. Congress has the power to borrow money; power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the states; power to declare war, raise and support armed forces; power to establish post offices; power to set up federal courts under the Supreme Court. Congress participates in the process of constitutional amendment. The Senate confirms Presidential nominations and must consent before a President may ratify a treaty. Members of both the House and Senate attend to constituents' requests and problems with the government.

Each state elects two senators who represent the whole state. They are elected for 6-year terms.

The House of Representatives has 435 members who are elected from districts within the states. Members of the House serve 2-year terms. The congressional salary is \$141,300 per year.

Questions posed to candidates:

Biography: Please supply biographical information, including educational, occupational, civic, and community experience that you believe qualifies you for this office.

1. What specific economic policies are you going to champion to promote educational, occupational, civic, and community experience that you believe qualifies you for this office?
2. Should the United States build protections for working conditions and the environment into international trade agreements?
3. These are challenging times for all Americans. While there are real and serious terrorist threats, it is important that we preserve the greatest degree of civil liberty in the fight against terrorism. Do you believe that the USA Patriot Act strikes the appropriate balance between ensuring homeland security and preserving individual liberties? Why or Why not?

United States Senate

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Biography:

Personal History: Age: 51; married; 2 daughters, 2 stepsons.

Education: Graduate Janesville Craig H.S. 1971; B.A. with honors (Phi Beta Kappa) UW-Madison 1975; B.A., Oxford U. (Rhodes Scholar) 1977; J.D. with honors Harvard Law Sch. 1979.

Occupation: United States Senator; Former practicing attorney 1979-85; visiting professor Beloit College 1985; legislative aide.

Recipient:

- John F. Kennedy Library Foundation *Profile in Courage Award* 1999;
- Concord Coalition *Deficit Reduction Honor Roll* 1997-2002;
- Taxpayers for Common Sense Action *Taxpayer Hero* 1997-2000, *Taxpayer Leader and Treasury Guardian* 2001-2003;
- National Assn. of Police Organizations *Senator of the Year Award*

1. I will continue to fight to ensure that our future trade agreements keep jobs in Wisconsin and help Wisconsin businesses compete. Second, I will continue to work to expand access to higher education by increasing the size and number of Pell grants, to give more people access to the foundation they need to launch their careers. I will also continue to promote my comprehensive proposal to provide quality health care for all Americans. This proposal will help relieve the burden of health care costs on employers and will encourage the creation of well-paying jobs.

2. Yes, trade agreements should protect working conditions and the environment, and I have introduced legislation to establish minimum standards for future trade agreements. My bill calls for enforceable worker protections and requires that trade agreements contain environmental provisions subject to the same enforcement as commercial provisions. I voted against NAFTA, GATT, Fast Track, and Most Favored Nation status for China because these agreements lacked such standards and because I believed they would cause Wisconsin to lose jobs. Unfortunately, I was right: Wisconsin has lost thousands of jobs because of these agreements.

3. I was the only Senator who voted against the USA Patriot Act. I supported 90% of the Act's provisions that gave law enforcement the tools to prevent future terrorist attacks, including expanding access to roving wiretap warrants. But the Act did not provide sufficient protections for innocent Americans who have absolutely no connection whatsoever to terrorists. I joined with a bipartisan group of Senators to introduce the SAFE Act which would fix many of the USA PATRIOT Act's most troubling provisions."

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Grew up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Single. Have a number of degrees in Technical studies from an area technical college. Worked as a laborer in the Milwaukee Deep Tunnel Project. Was a Refrigeration fitter in the Steamfitters Union. Was self-employed for a while doing home improvements. Currently working full time as a political activist trying to educate the public about their God given and constitutional rights.

1. Short answer: Take the middleman out of the picture, Government. Government isn't supposed to be doing a huge amount of the things they are currently involved in. That is America's problem. Individuals can make agreements between one another with out the government interfering. Having a middleman costs the tax payers alot of money and slows down the process of getting things done. Needless regulations stifle the growth and creativity in the economy. Also these needless regulations are almost always to protect the particular special interest that wants a law or regulation made that will only allow that special interest to do that type of work.

2.Short answer: I think the US has a lot to fix within our own borders right now.

3.Short answer: I fear my out of control tyrannical government more than I fear any terrorist.



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1985 – 97 Manufacturing Manager, SSI Technologies, Janesville, Wisconsin

1997 Retired

In all the positions I have held, leadership skills were required. In industry, I learned it’s results that count. At SSI Technologies, I learned to work as part of a team, so my company could prosper. I will work as part of the House of Representatives team to produce results on the issues important to all Americans

1.We must increase our investment in new technologies to create good jobs. The \$7 trillion we owe in national debt, growing by over \$400 billion dollars per year, is draining away the money that should be invested in American industries. Much of this debt is owned by banks in China and Japan that use our interest dollars to invest in their industries taking away more of our jobs. I will reestablish the pay as you go rules that led to our 1999 surplus. This will reduce our debt, and stimulate investment to create jobs in America for Americans.

2.Working conditions and environmental issues are best covered with agreements other than individual trade agreements. A good example would be the Kyoto protocol. This protocol is perhaps the most important environmental treaty in the world today. Unfortunately, the United States has not chosen to join the majority of other countries in the world that have signed onto the accord. We must be a cooperating member of the world community if we expect to make progress on global issues. I will introduce and support legislation to accomplish this goal.

3.There are portions of the Patriot Act that clearly violate our civil liberties, e.g. the acts provision allowing authorities to obtain information concerning a citizens reading habits. People are being held, without charge, oftentimes for years, without adequate recourse to defend themselves or seek justice. This is a clear violation of our constitution. We must not endanger our liberties unnecessarily just because of the threat from terrorists, otherwise they will have partially succeeded on one of their objectives. Fighting the war on terrorism requires we not only keep our eye on the terrorists, but also our Constitution.

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Tammy Baldwin (D), Incumbent

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Tammy Baldwin began her service in Congress in 1998, becoming the first woman to serve from Wisconsin. Congresswoman Baldwin serves on the Budget and Judiciary Committees. She is a leading advocate for health care for all, protecting Social Security and Medicare, providing a real prescription drug plan for seniors, supporting our veterans, creating well-paying jobs, and increasing support for public education including financial aid for higher education. Raised by her grandparents, Tammy is a life-long resident of south central Wisconsin. She graduated from Madison West, Smith College, and UW-Law School. She practiced law in a small firm until 1992.

1. The creation and retention of well-paying jobs is one of my highest priorities. I support incentives for companies to keep jobs in the U.S. I also support investing in our nation’s infrastructure, including our transportation systems, which will create many family-supporting jobs. New Department of Labor rules, which I strongly oppose, may end overtime pay for six million Americans. I oppose “free trade agreements,” like NAFTA, and special tax breaks which encourage companies to outsource jobs to foreign countries. Our armed forces and federal government should “buy American,” and I have been a leader in that effort.

2. Yes, absolutely. I support fair trade. Our current trade agreements do not include adequate labor, human rights, or environmental standards. When countries such as China ignore worker protections and pay wages that keep people in poverty, production costs less and this puts American workers at a significant disadvantage. It used to be that well-paying technical and highly-skilled service jobs

were protected from being sent to foreign countries. That is no longer the case. I work hard to keep good jobs here in America. We should insist on adequate environmental standards. Environmental degradation affects us all.

3. No. As we work to prevent terrorism, we must fervently protect American lives while protecting the American way of life. As a Judiciary Committee member, I played an active role in the debate, and was pleased to be a part of the bipartisan Committee effort to rewrite Attorney General Ashcroft's first proposal. Unfortunately, Ashcroft rejected our bipartisan work product and Congress ultimately passed an extreme measure, which I opposed. Americans cherish our freedom of speech, the right to due process, and our privacy. The threat of terrorism must not be used to justify powers that undermine America's fundamental Constitutional freedoms.

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Born La Crosse, March 16, 1963; married; 2 children. Graduate Logan H.S.; B.A. Harvard U. 1985; M.A. London School of Economics (England); J.D. U. of Minnesota Law School 1990. Attorney. Former La Crosse County assistant district attorney and State of Wisconsin special prosecutor. Member: U.S. Supreme Court Bar; State Bar of WI and La Crosse Co. Bar Assn.; Assn. of State Prosecutors; Democratic Party; Wis. Harvard Club (bd. of dir.); Boys and Girls Club of La Crosse (bd. of dir.); Coulee Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (bd. of dir.); Moose Club; Optimist Club.

1. We need a job creation plan that addresses critical changes in our economy. My priorities include:

- Pushing for full funding of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership
- Working to close corporate tax loopholes that encourage corporations to move overseas
- Pushing the Administration to enforce existing trade agreements so American workers can compete on a level playing field
- Strengthening "Buy American" laws to ensure the federal government purchases from American suppliers
- Investing in continuing education programs
- Securing federal funding for economic development projects in western Wisconsin
- Cosponsoring HR 4853, the Women's Business Sustainability Extension Act

2. I support enforcement provisions in free trade agreements for labor and environmental protections equivalent to those that apply to commercial provisions. I believe we must be able to have mechanisms in place to ensure labor and environmental protections can be effectively enforced. In nations where labor and environmental laws and law enforcement are of concern, the U.S. must insist on the ability to ensure international labor standards are met and that the environment is protected.

3. I supported the PATRIOT Act because it provides law enforcement with the tools needed to protect our country. Yet, it is important that civil liberties of American citizens are protected. As a former prosecutor, I have a deep respect for the judicial process, and as a member of the House Human Rights Caucus, I am dedicated to justice for all people.

Specifically, I am concerned about the invasion of privacy rights of library and bookstore employees and patrons. For this reason, I am a cosponsor of HR 1157, legislation to exempt libraries and bookstores from the PATRIOT Act.

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Biography:

Graduated Marquette High School in Milwaukee in 1990, received a BA from Notre Dame in 1994 and a JD from Pepperdine University in 2002. Joined in the United States Marine Corps in 1994 and rose to the rank of Major. I have recently returned from serving our nation in Iraq during Operation Enduring Freedom having received seven military decorations and joined my family business. I am recently married to my wonderful wife Tiffany and look forward to serving my community, hopefully as a member of Congress. I believe the leadership experience I have learned during my time in the service of our country and as a small businessman give me the necessary tools to help lead our community in a new direction.

1. In the last 14 years the communities in this District have lost 14,000 manufacturing jobs. I believe that we must be proactive and not reactive on how we prepare our workforce that now lives in a global economy. We must prepare our workforce to participate and lead in this new economic reality. In order to succeed we must make the 4th District a business friendly environment. I will work with local business and government leaders to develop a plan to reverse the trends of the past by supporting and introducing legislation for increased block grants for business development and workforce retraining.

2. As a former teamster I am sensitive to many issues that face our workforce. I believe that every person that enters the economic marketplace should have protections for his or her safety, but I think other countries cannot be forced into the 21st century by the United Place. It is not our prerogative to tell other countries how their business structure should be operated, that change must come from within. I would, however, support language contained in trade agreements to be used as a bargaining tool in urging companies in other countries to build in better working conditions for employees and make sweatshop labor a thing of the past.

3. I would support the review and renewal of the Patriot Act with a sunset. I believe that this legislation is one of the main reasons that we have not had a single terrorist attack in our country since 2001. The Patriot Act gives our national and foreign intelligence communities the same tools to track down suspected terrorists and it does to tracking down organized crime. The Patriot Act must be kept in check and be scrutinized to make sure it's powers don't cross the line. But again we must not put the civil rights of suspected terrorists ahead of the safety and security of 290 million people.

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Biography:

Bryan Kennedy was born on February 4, 1970 in Hagerstown, Maryland, a blue collar, middle class city in western Maryland. Bryan graduated in the top ten of his high school class and attended Brigham Young University on an academic scholarship. He graduated with a BA in Portuguese and Political Science in 1994. Bryan later completed an MA and a PhD in Romance Languages and Latin American Studies at the University of North Carolina. He is a Professor of Portuguese at UW-Milwaukee. He is married and the father of three children. His wife Heather is a Psychotherapist in private practice.

1. For our state's economy to be successful we must see major healthcare reform and we must have representation in Washington fighting for Wisconsin's fair share. Our employers are having difficulty providing good pay and benefits and still competing in a global marketplace. I propose a healthcare reform in two phases. First, I support the creation of a universal, CATASTROPHIC program. Second, I would place the choice of healthcare providers in the hands of consumers, not employers, a move that fosters greater competition. I will also fight for more federal dollars so that we can lower our state and local tax burden.

2. Yes. The current US policy of free trade is forcing many of our small businesses and small manufacturing operations out of business. In order to compete in the global marketplace, more and more “American” corporations are moving their manufacturing overseas. We need a fair trade system that seeks to equalize the playing field. We must demand that all future agreements consider the imbalance in workplace safety standards, environmental regulations and currency manipulation. The rules must be written to allow us to succeed in our own market and to foster true “competition” in the global market.

3. There are positive aspects of the Patriot Act. I speak specifically of the ability of state, local and federal law enforcement agencies to share information and to coordinate investigations. I support these measures. I do not, however, believe that the Patriot Act strikes a balance. It gives the federal government over-arching powers to snoop into the private lives of law-abiding citizens. Unlike Mr. Sensenbrenner, the sponsor of the Patriot Act in the House, I will not vote to continue those provisions that invade our privacy and give the government too much power.



F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (R), Incumbent

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A Republican Member of Congress representing Wisconsin’s Fifth Congressional District, Jim Sensenbrenner was first elected to Congress in 1978, after serving ten years in the State Legislature. Congressman Sensenbrenner assumed the chairmanship of the House Committee on the Judiciary in 2001. In Congress, Sensenbrenner has led efforts to fight terrorism, eliminate wasteful government spending, and protect the interests of American taxpayers. Sensenbrenner has regularly been commended by the National Taxpayers Union as one of the most fiscally responsible House Members. He has been married to Cheryl for 27 years, and they have two sons, Frank and Bob.

1. It is imperative to improve job opportunities for young people. Too many quality jobs are leaving the nation. Some communities are left crippled after factories and plants close. In response, I authored bi-partisan legislation to allow struggling communities to get back on their feet by revitalizing industrial areas and encouraging local businesses to provide more jobs through regulatory relief and tax breaks. I also support efforts to make tax cuts permanent. The tax cuts increase fairness in the tax code and allow small businesses to keep more of their earnings and hire more workers.

2. I support efforts to open foreign markets to American producers, and I support the expansion of trade when it benefits the U.S. Free trade allows American businesses to buy the best quality products and services at the lowest prices, which helps create more American jobs. At the same time, free trade can sometimes place American workers and businesses at a competitive disadvantage with foreign competitors. For this reason, I am strongly opposed to our current policies toward China.

3. I carefully evaluate the merits of each trade agreement on a case-by-case basis to ensure that they do not cost American jobs. It is imperative that our nation’s leaders act decisively to protect our homeland. As a lead author of the PATRIOT Act, I insisted upon inclusion of a sunset clause in this anti-terrorism legislation to provide Congress the opportunity to review any potential civil rights abuses, enabling us to fully consider the impacts of the legislation. Since the inclusion of these provisions, I have opposed efforts to renew or expand this law prematurely. I look forward to leading a complete and thorough review of the impacts of the PATRIOT Act in the House Judiciary Committee next year.



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Biography:

I am a statesman, not a career politician. I am the President of a software company in New Berlin. I am a graduate of the UW River Falls with a BS in Ag Business. I read the US Constitution and I understand that it means that the only role of government is to protect people’s individual rights. This is why I am uniquely qualified for this position as opposed to my two challengers. Furthermore I am a libertarian, like the founding fathers.

1. I believe in the Austrian school of economics, like Dr. Milton Freedman. I believe in free men and free markets. The only way to create new jobs is to get out of the way of the entrepreneurs that have the ability to produce wealth. Government is a necessary evil. Government does not create anything. I support Ron Paul and the Liberty Committee and their mission to reduce regulations and

promote free trade. Furthermore I would do all I can to end the minimum wage so more folks can learn how to work and become valuable.

2.No. The government should support free trade with all nations and entangling alliances with none.

3.The Patriot Act is nothing less then a full out assault on the Bill of Rights. It should be repealed immediately. Judges should always have to approve search warrants. Owners of property should never be subjected to no-knock raids. The government should not tap email. If we change our foreign policy to that of non-interventionism we would all be whole lot safer. It works for the Swiss and we should apply it here. We should never give up any of our Bill Of Rights. Those who trade freedom for security deserve neither.

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I grew up on a hobby farm in Central Wisconsin. I attended Princeton High School and UW-Oshkosh, and have worked in agriculture, healthcare, sales brokerage, programming and marketing. I have always had an interest in politics as something that can make life better for people.

1.I believe we need to focus our economic policies on those who put the most into American society – the middle and working classes. The Bush tax cuts have only increased the burden of government funding on us. To be strong, we need a strong middle class. This coupled with an affordable health plan for all Americans will allow us to get back on track. This will take two large anchors off of our economies ability to grow.

2.Yes, I do believe that International Trade Agreements should include environmental and worker protections. We need to ensure that we do not encourage policy abroad that we find distasteful at home

3.“Those who would sacrifice a little freedom for temporal safety deserve neither to be safe or free.” - Benjamin Franklin. I believe that this captures the heart of the problems of the PATRIOT Act. We loose the meaning of our freedoms and liberties by sacrificing them in the name of security. The government needs to be checked by the courts, therefore I am against searches without warrants and other provisions of this act that allow unchecked investigation into American Citizen’s activities.

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1.I will champion job creation policies for conservation, sustainable practices, education, health care, and development of different energy sources. I will encourage local food and commodities production, change laws from rewarding outsourcing, adding taxes on imports, increase the concepts of human rights worldwide, asking American citizens to pay a little more for local labor. Some businesses will be urged to increase payrolls, lessen top management salaries, increase the welfare of their workers, versus the welfare of the stockholders. Increased health care will provide more work, services as well as employment for the 44 million uninsured.

2.It would benefit persons of all countries if protections were part of the agreements. Until labor and business is treated equally abroad, to the standard of the USA, jobs will continue to leave our country, and our USA workers jobs will be at risk

3.It does not. The way to become “secure” is to treat others worldwide as we would wish be treated. Only then do we have a chance to realize “security” in the USA. The USA Patriot Act lessens liberty--it allows intrusions into our private lives without our knowledge, without requiring local civil authority permissions. It requires individual personal identity cards, files, intrusion into our habit patterns as in public library usage, or the internet. At an undetermined cost, it makes probable final loss of privacy. My concern that the government will have potential totalitarian authority, as happened in Nazi Germany.

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Biography:

I am 51 years old, married to the one and only Barb Kass for the last 26 years. We have three children Ollie, 23, Emma, 20, Philip, 18. I have a BS from Iowa State University and an MA from North Park University. I have spent the last 30 years as a peace/human rights activist/educator/farmer. I helped found Anathoth Community Farm, a center for the study of nonviolence, sustainability, and community building. I have been

to places where the world is burning down around us and remain convinced that nonviolence is the great, untapped resource that will save humanity.

1.The United States must embark on a “Manhattan Project” for energy independence immediately. The population must be mobilized to develop renewable energy resources as though it were the moral equivalent of war. Research and development, manufacturing, distributing, and installation of all things renewable must become a national obsession. Solar, wind, biofuels, hydrogen fuel cells, dispersed site electrical generation, energy efficient appliances and transportation, recycling, and sustainable agriculture are the future for jobs, true security, and environmental protection. The federal government must jump start this initiative by drastically redistributing the Pentagon budget and then business has to work magic.

2.The United States has to lead by example in both worker’s rights and environmental protection. Until business learns that justice in the work place promotes loyalty and productivity, workers must be protected from being exploited for profit. A living wage and commitment to high environmental standards will foster creativity and promote the common good. Outsourcing labor and degrading other countries’ natural resources for profit breeds resentment. When Manitoba Hydro destroys the Cree way of life by flooding their homeland so power for profit can be sold to Chicago, everyone loses. NAFTA and GATT are inherently undemocratic and must be abolished.

3.The USA Patriot Act must be abolished. It is an abomination that was on the shelf, waiting for the proper moment to be thrust down the American people’s throats, at the height of our collective vulnerability. Until the United States begins to address the roots of terrorism instead of the symptoms, we will be embroiled in war until the end of time. The paradigm facing the US is that of Israel and Palestine. It may be possible to push extremists out of planes and buildings, but there comes the point of diminishing returns where no amount spent will increase security

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1. My record is strong and clear on job creation. I believe in investing in research to create 21st jobs, so I secured start-up money for a new Paper Sciences Center in Northeastern Wisconsin and helped provide funding for projects like a small business incubator. I believe in breaking down the barriers that make our employers less competitive, so I've worked for targeted tax relief and small-business oriented health care reform. I've also championed Trade Adjustment Assistance where needed and worked to enhance the infrastructure that businesses need to grow and create good paying jobs.

2. Yes, trade negotiators should try to include such matters. My position on trade is to evaluate each trade deal on a case-by-case basis to determine whether it is a net win for our area. I have voted for some trade deals and against others. 95% of the world's population is outside the US. We must trade to continue growing and creating jobs. The real issue is how we make trade work. That's why I've written or co-written bills to fight unfair currency practices and intellectual property theft overseas.

3. Perhaps no bill has been more demagogued than the Patriot Act. The bill's main purpose is to update our security laws to account for the new technologies and give law enforcement the same tools for fighting terrorists that they already had for drug dealers and organized crime. Despite the hysteria fermented by some, responsible leaders in both parties recognize that it's been a reasonable response to our homeland security needs. Next year, we'll have hearings to scrutinize, and where needed, improve the law. But we'll do it on the basis of policy, not politics.



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