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ABORTION Ban or legal?	Ban. “ Planned Parenthood shouldn’t receive a penny of federal dollars.” Opposes an effort to put Roe v. Wade into federal law.	Legal. Supports putting Roe v. Wade into law. “I’m strongly pro-choice.” “ Only a woman and her provider should make decisions about reproductive healthcare.” Sponsored a bill to repeal an abortion ban. Introduced a bill to allow licensed healthcare practitioners to prescribe emergency contraception medicine.
CLIMATE CHANGE Should climate change be a top priority?	Likely no. Supports a bill that ended Biden-era clean energy tax credits. “ I’ll work to unleash the full power of American oil, natural gas, clean coal, and the next generation of innovation.”	Yes. “ We need bold, science-driven action now.” Supports reducing carbon emissions. Supports investing in “smart, sustainable policies.” “ Climate change... is an existential threat.” “ Ignoring the science won’t make this better.”
CRIMINAL JUSTICE How to ensure effectiveness and fairness in law enforcement?	“ I will always empower law enforcement.” Opposes “defunding the police.” Supports “restoring law and order in Washington.” “ I stand with ICE and our law enforcement officers.”	Would fully fund police. “ I’ll keep fighting for the resources our officers need to protect our communities.” “ Phoenix has 600+ police vacancies—putting our safety at risk.” Voted to lower the felony threshold for fentanyl trafficking.
ECONOMY Cut or increase government investment in, and regulation of, the economy?	Mixed. “ I’ll fight to slash red tape.” Opposes “reckless spending.” Supports a federal housing bill restricting institutional investors from buying single-family homes, saying it will help address “the affordability crisis.” Supports new data centers: “ We’re going to...make sure that Arizona is the beacon for the tech industry.”	Mostly increase. Wants Congress to “ allocate more money to make sure that building is done to increase [housing] supply.” “ We have to do more.” Sponsored a bill to extend the low-income housing tax credits. Wants to “revive job growth and business investment.” Would “ end crushing tariffs.”
EDUCATION Use public funding for private and/or for-profit schools?	Yes. “ Arizona is the gold standard for school choice.... I’ll always fight...to empower parents.” Said he and his wife have “always been big advocates of school choice and...giving low-income people the opportunity to choose where their kids go and to put them in private schools if they want to.” Supports the Arizona ESA program , with public-funded private school scholarships.	No. “ Universal vouchers drain critical funding.” “ All of Arizona’s children deserve a strong public education.” Wants “increased funding for public schools.” Supports the Protect Education Act , a ballot measure to reform Arizona’s ESA school voucher scholarship program: It would bring “needed accountability and transparency” to the program.
ENVIRONMENT Loosen or tighten environmental regulation?	Mixed. Would “fight to restore American energy dominance by cutting red tape.” Opposes the “Green New Deal lies.” Says data centers should use “recirculated water so that you’re not using our precious water...where we desperately need more water.” Supports “protecting our water.”	Tighten. Sponsored a bill urging the EPA to designate manganese a “criteria pollutant.” Sponsored a bill to protect public health by setting standards for key pollutants in drinking water. Says water is a “precious resource...living in the desert.” Says technology growth does “not have to conflict with environmental priorities.”

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GUN LAWS Loosen or tighten gun laws?	Loosen. “The right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental liberty.” Would defend “our Second Amendment Rights.” Says Black Lives Matter protests and COVID-19 “ solidified the need to have the Second Amendment.... We...walked around our development with our guns to make sure that our homes didn’t get attacked.”	Tighten. Supports “common-sense legislation to prevent gun violence.” “As an ER physician , I’ve personally taken care of hundreds of gun violence victims.... This need to stop.” Would “work to keep our communities safe by taking action to reduce gun violence.” Says the effects of gun violence are “devastating.”
HEALTHCARE Increase or decrease government support for healthcare?	Decrease. Supports the Big Beautiful Bill’s cuts to Medicaid. “ Medicaid should be a hand up, not a hand out.” Says it should be reserved “for those it was intended—American citizens, not illegals.” Supports a policy for every hospital in the U.S. to publish their prices: “ Competition and market pressures will impact prices with downward momentum and accountability.”	Increase. “ Will work to expand coverage, protect Medicare, and lower prescription drug prices.” Supports universal healthcare. “ Universal healthcare...doesn’t have to be at odds with affordability.” Introduced a bill to expand Medicaid coverage for adults to include preventative dental care. Would “reverse the cruel Medicaid cuts.”
IMMIGRATION How to handle immigration?	Supports “mass deportations of violent offenders.” Says there is “a crisis at our southern border.” Wants “ drastic measures . You have to cut the asylum program...send people who came here illegally back.” “The Democrat Party is paying for those protesters to...interact with ICE and...try to get a reaction.... No one wants to see any American lose their life interacting with ICE.”	Says ICE “absolutely needs reform.” Opposes illegal immigration. Opposes deportations to third countries. “ Americans want an immigration system that is humane, that is orderly, that is fair.” Supports “a pathway forward for DACA ” recipients.
IRAN WAR Support the war in Iran?	Yes. “ I have full trust in [Trump] to deter adversaries & uphold peace through strength.” “The world is better off now than it was before the war started.... President Trump deserves a lot of credit.” Says the U.S. “didn’t need [the Strait of Hormuz] to be open.”	No. “The Trump Administration has had no plan for how to handle this conflict, and it’s making life harder for every Arizonan.” “ We need smart, steady leadership who will get us out of this mess.” “The Iran War is roiling global energy markets, and it’s having an impact here at home.”
LABOR Make it easier or harder for unions to organize workers?	Unclear. Said “a collective bargaining agreement is the fix” to college athletics. In 2014, said unionizing college football could create “a safer workplace environment.”	Easier. “ I’ll keep pushing for...labor rights.” Says labor unions “have fought tirelessly for workers’ rights and dignity. Their efforts have secured fair wages, protections, and safe conditions.”
LGBTQ RIGHTS Limit or expand LGBTQ rights?	Likely limit. “ Radical gender ideology is destroying fairness and opportunity for young women.... I will fight to protect girls’ and women’s sports.” Said in 2018 about openly gay NFL players, “Players, in general, don’t care.”	Expand. “ Everyone deserves dignity, respect, and the freedom to be themselves.” Introduced a bill to ban conversion therapy for minors, protect religious rights, and protect LGBTQ people from employment, housing, and public accommodation discrimination.
TARIFFS Support or oppose the Trump tariffs?	Support. “ Only President Trump was willing to utilize tariffs...to force...countries to invest back into our country.” Says Trump has “used tariffs as leverage to successfully negotiate better, fairer trade deals.”	Oppose. “ Trump’s tariffs are bad for Arizona and bad for America. They’ve driven up prices on everything from groceries to building materials.... We need policies that lower costs.” Supports “an end to destructive tariffs.”
VOTING RULES Make voting harder or easier?	Harder. Supports the SAVE Act , which would require anyone registering to vote in a federal election to provide proof of U.S. citizenship. “ Americans of all parties...want to make sure that they have confidence in their elections.” Supports regulating mail-in ballots.	Easier. “ I’ll continue fighting to ensure every eligible voter can register, cast a ballot, and have that ballot counted without intimidation, interference, or political games.” “ Voting rights ...are once again on the line.”

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