

2018 Candidate Survey on the Environment

George S. Logan (Republican)

Senate District 17

1) 100% Clean Energy by 2050:Do you support transitioning to 100% clean energy by 2050 or sooner?

No

This is a noble goal, but there are practical considerations that will impact achieving 100% clean energy by that date. Cost, available infrastructure and competing government priorities are three considerations that come to mind.

2) State Water Plan:

Will you support the plan as submitted to the legislature and affirm that water is a public trust?

No

I am required to recuse myself from this vote, as I am an Aquarion Water Company employee.

3) Municipal Funding Pilot for Open Space:

Would you support legislation that would allow, but not require, certain municipalities to establish a dedicated fund to protect local open space, farmland and water resources through a limited conveyance fee on buyers of real estate?

Yes

The fact that this would allow, not require, municipalities to do this is in alignment with my advocacy of local control of how a town operates.

4) Plastic Bag Pollution:

Would you support a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags (or a ban/fee hybrid) to significantly reduce plastic bag pollution in our state?

Yes

I recognize the problem plastic bags present and I favor a fee/hybrid approach based on currently available information but would like to hear other options.

5) Gas Pipeline:

Will you support the repeal of the pipeline tax established in 2015?

No

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6) Carbon Pricing:

Would you support carbon pricing for Connecticut?

No

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7) Additional Comments:

My professional experience at Aquarion always focuses on conservation and protecting the environment. My personal track record bears this out. My service on the Housatonic Valley Association Board of Directors is further evidence of my commitment. Due to ethics considerations, I am prohibited from voting on certain issues, as indicated above, but I can and do share my expertise when appropriate with legislative colleagues.