

North Carolina FreeEnterprise Foundation  
2010 Questionnaire  
Candidates for United States Congress

Please complete and return  
by March 19 Deadline

SECTION I. Candidate Personal Profile Information

Name: LOU HUDDLESTON Office Sought (circle): Senate   House District #: 8  
Party (circle): Democratic   Republican Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: PO BOX 53302 City: FAYETTEVILLE State: NC Zip: 28305  
County of Residence: CUMBERLAND Length of Residence in County: NATIVE  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: 910-485-1196 Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: INFO@VOTEHUDDLESTON.COM Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: MALE Race/Ethnicity: BLACK Religion: CHRISTIAN  
Place of Birth (city/state): FORT GREGG / NC Date of Birth: DEC 2, 1950  
Marital Status (circle):  Married  Single  Divorced  Separated Number of Children: 2  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Military Service: 31 YEAR ARMY VETERAN High School: EE. SMITH HIGH SCHOOL  
Colleges/Universities Attended: UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - KANSAS CITY  
Degrees: POLITICAL SCIENCE  
Previous Elected/Appointed Offices: \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION II. Candidate Campaign Information

Name of Campaign Committee: HUDDLESTON FOR CONGRESS  
Campaign Email: INFO@VOTEHUDDLESTON.COM Campaign Website: WWW.VOTEHUDDLESTON.COM  
Campaign Phone: 910-485-1196 Campaign Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Campaign Address: PO BOX 53302 City: FAYETTEVILLE State: NC Zip: 28305  
Campaign Treasurer: PAUL KILGORE Campaign Treasurer Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Political Consultants: JOEL MCELHANNON

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Considering your personal and professional associations, how likely are you to receive support from each of the following groups?

	Very Likely	Likely	Unknown	Unlikely	Very Unlikely
A. North Carolina Advocates for Justice (formerly the Academy of Trial Lawyers)	1	2	3	④	5
B. Medical Groups (ex. Doctors, Hospital Administrators)	①	2	3	4	5
C. Banking & Finance Industry	①	2	3	4	5
D. Utility/Telecommunications Companies	①	2	3	4	5
E. Real Estate & Construction Industry	①	2	3	4	5
F. Labor Unions	1	2	3	④	5
G. Retail/Wholesale Businesses	1	②	3	4	5
H. State Employees Association of N.C. (SEANC)	1	2	3	④	5
I. Insurance Industry	1	②	3	4	5
J. N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE)	1	2	3	④	5
K. Business Professionals (ex. Architects, Accountants, Engineers)	①	2	3	4	5
L. Transportation Industry	1	②	3	4	5
M. Agri-business Interests	①	2	3	4	5
N. Legislative Leadership Committees	1	②	3	4	5

Are there other groups not listed that you would expect to receive a campaign contribution or endorsement from? (Ex. Lillian's List, Anti-Tax Groups)

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**SECTION III. CANDIDATE ISSUE QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

*Instructions: Please respond to the following questions and statements by circling the response that best represents your position or opinion. You are invited to provide additional comments or explanations for your answers on a separate page. Please be sure to identify which question you are commenting on by noting the appropriate question number with your additional comments.*

1. For every \$100.00 of sales, about how much profit do you believe the average North Carolina business nets? (Circle one response)

Under \$1      \$1-5       \$5-10      \$10-25      \$25-50      Over \$50

2. The current level of federal taxes paid by North Carolina business and industry is too high, too low, or about right? (Circle one response)

Too high      Too low      About right

3. Have you owned or managed a business? (If so, please describe below.)

Yes      No

I SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR A GROWING SMALL  
BUSINESS IN FAYETTEVILLE. I UNDERSTAND HOW TO  
CREATE JOBS AND MANAGE A BUDGET.

4. Do you believe that environmental laws and regulations in the United States are too strict, about right, or too lenient?

Too Strict      About Right      Too Lenient      Undecided

5. Do you believe reducing taxes on businesses will stimulate economic activity resulting in the creation of more jobs and increased tax revenue?

Yes      No      Undecided

6. Do you believe reducing taxes on businesses will reduce tax revenues and cause substantial harm to critical government programs and services?

Yes       No      Undecided

7. Do you believe the United States Congress should increase the minimum wage?

Yes       No      Undecided

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8. Do you believe the U.S. Congress should enact "Cap and Trade" legislation that would enable government agencies to cap the amount of emissions a company may produce or require that company to purchase credits if it exceeds the government-set emissions limitation?  
Yes       No      Undecided
9. Do you believe a limit should be imposed on the amount of damages a jury can award to a plaintiff beyond the actual monetary loss incurred by the plaintiff?  
 Yes      No      Undecided
10. Do believe offshore energy exploration should take place off of the coast of North Carolina?  
 Yes      No      Undecided
11. Do you believe a nonpartisan redistricting commission should be established to draw North Carolina's congressional and state legislative district maps following the 2010 Census?  
 Yes      No      Undecided
12. Do you believe secret ballot voting during union organizing elections should be eliminated?  
Yes       No      Undecided
13. Do you believe employers, employees and organized labor should be subject to binding arbitration in order to determine the wages and benefits an employer must provide for its employees?  
Yes      No      Undecided
14. Do you believe the government should take a greater role in establishing rates and prices for financial products and services?  
Yes       No      Undecided
15. Do you believe it is necessary for the U.S. Congress to increase regulations on the financial services industry in order to protect the interests of consumers?  
Yes       No      Undecided

*(Please proceed to Section IV. Open-Ended Questions)*

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*SECTION IV. OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS*

1. A primary focus of the U.S. Congress this past year has been to reform health care and health insurance in the United States. Please briefly explain your recommendations for reform and the roles of the government and private sector in your proposal.

As health care costs continue to rise, now is the time for real leadership and meaningful reform of our nation's health care system. North Carolina families deserve reform that preserves the highest quality of care, while making coverage more affordable for the millions of uninsured Americans. These goals could be accomplished without cutting benefits to seniors or saddling our children and grandchildren with crippling deficits from trillions of dollars in new spending.

Unfortunately, after weeks of backroom deal making, arm twisting, and procedural tricks, Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Congressional Democrats narrowly passed a reckless and vastly unpopular overhaul of America's health care system. This \$1.2 trillion big government boondoggle puts federal bureaucrats between patients and their doctors; imposes crippling mandates on small businesses; and requires hiring an astounding 16,500 additional IRS auditors and agents to collect \$569 billion in new taxes.

It didn't have to be that way. In Congress, I'll continue to fight for common sense health care reforms that reduce costs without increasing America's debt by:

- Permitting insurance company competition across state lines
- Providing incentives to states to lower coverage costs on their own
- Ending junk malpractice lawsuits that drive up costs for everyone
- Supporting extending coverage to Americans with pre-existing conditions through high-risk insurance pools.

According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, such a plan will reduce the deficit by \$68 billion over 10 years. The costs of premiums will be reduced by 10% for employees covered by a small business health plan. For Americans who don't receive benefits from their employer, costs will shrink by 8%. Your taxes will not be increased and existing Medicare benefits for seniors will not be cut.

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2. Statewide surveys indicate the top issue on the minds of voters in North Carolina is the economy and jobs. With that in mind, please explain your vision for economic growth and job creation.

As a former leader of both small and large businesses, I understand how to create jobs and spur economic growth. My common sense plan to get the Eighth District back on track includes:

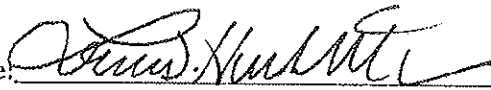
JOB CREATION AND TAX RELIEF:

- Lower the tax burden on hardworking families and small businesses so they can reinvest in our economy and create new North Carolina jobs
- Provide small businesses with income tax deductions, suspend the capital gains tax, and reduce the corporate tax rate to energize job creation
- Look at all means to make our tax code simpler and fairer
- Freeze discretionary spending and reduce the deficit without shifting the burden to taxpayers to make up the difference
- Fight reckless Washington spending sprees like cap-and-trade and government-run health care

SPENDING ACCOUNTABILITY:

- Implement a BRAC-style analysis of Congressional earmarks to ensure federal dollars after only directed to critical programs and industries, not wasteful pet project
- Demand accountability for how taxpayer dollars are spent, in the wake of Larry Kissell's reckless \$787 stimulus boondoggle that created no new jobs and neglected any quality control measures for how the money was spent

Candidate Signature:  
(signature required)



Date:

3/22/2010