

Dorothy Hukill - 2:00 pm Thursday May 3rd

- 1) best qualified? several. 1) missing in legislature, especially last two session is something with local government experience. I don't always agree with them 100%, but I am one of only in legislature who served in local government. Once inlet and port orange councils. Speaking from that experience... I don't have to ask about CRA, TDT, land use etc etc we had a lot of attacks where people thought state should have fingers in everything. I have keen sense where we should and should not inject ourselves. very few people serve in other capacities before they jump into state or senate. My experience in local community educated and prepared me 2) my record. Got money for brevard schools to get GDA or workforce certification, for light house, for emergency mangement office, early childhood assessments. 3) I'm a private business person. A private attorney. I limit my schedule now to probate wills trust. People think its boring but I think its great to work with families and I can control my calendar. Solo practitioner and small business. I'm a consistent voice in-house and senate. Love the senate only 40 of us.... Finance and tax chairman for 4 years. Served as education chair. I was public school teacher way back when. In NYC. Moved to volusia county. I love what I do and my staff and I are very committed.
- 2) 13 years under my belt in legislature. 8 house, 4 in senate. Very strong supporter. Lowe corporate income tax, manufacturing sales tax, business rent tax. I've seen it work.... Local business overmuch aware of that. They are buying BIG machinery thousands, millions of dollars, a very big deal to them. Lowered tax on cell phone and cable. I have Amy own hastag.... #taxcutchamp
- 3) Healthcare? Legislature has al to of roles, different from fed government. Some people totally against expansion of healthcare.... Reality is detrimental to them as individual and as us as businesses and community. But you can do think what should be covered, what should not be covered and I know it has an impact. Certain things need to be covered... most of time can bring insurance companies along. Bill lingering for years on mammograms..... breast density, after working with radiologists came to understanding, where patience could get a report on what it is, it is an indicator and just says they should look at another test. Transparency.... Pharmacy. If doctor allows it, they have to tell you price difference in generic and name brand. And allow people to choose.
- 4) education..... No and No. We do somethings very well. Higher education. I am forever grateful for public university. Meant a lot to me in tenement living. My mother reached 5th grade. I was first to go to college. I went to grad school and law school on my own. Flip side is, we have lots of programs for workforce certifications... people don't know about it, but we have them. Good paying jobs. Higher ed do good job. Colleges work on graduation rate. Still very low. Only 17% of kids in community college part time students graduate in 6 years. They have to work have responsibilities. Anger in school more likely to drop out. Lower chance of achievement. At lower level still have disagreement of how we should teaching. What level of accountability. I think in the middle.... Limit number of tests, give teachers more resources. Money that was parkland related went to schools. Always need to look at funding education more, but that is not Toal thing... look well beyond funding. legislature, mistake to most in community, is negotiating with union. We don't set salaries... that is by county. I loved being a teacher 45 kids in a class... not planning period etc. thats unheard of today. Never see that. I had bombings active shooters. And in those days we didn't make money. So when we talk about teachers leaving classroom, some need to leave the classroom.... Not a knock to them. But if it isn't a good fit, then need to move on. People don't have 1 job one career anymore. Change jobs 10-15 times in one lifetime. drugs... people cant pass drug tests. Across the board. Private business/ government. volunteering. Its very difficult we don't have the workforce anymore. Look at doctors... so many retiring we will be in crisis soon. People don't have sympathy for them... but who will take care of us? Workforce is shrinking and too many in workforce

have drugs or other problems. We need to see targeting in how we train workforce. Seen tremendous progress in brevard. Good money and paying jobs here in brevard.

- 5) Transportation - do you believe brevard gets enough \$ from state. Never have enough.... We are in building spurt now. We were in downturn. People begging for development, and not antidevelopment groups revived. You know what it costs to get per mile to build a road. Local gov I served had road repair cycle that was every 15 years. Flip side is decreasing gas tax because people driving energy efficient car. It is a decreasing pot with greater need.
- 6) Home rule - CRA bill. Would have done away with them by 2030 and had to go to legislature to have a car going forward. seriously??? No that is not important for legislature. Need to let local leaders. HUGE difference between senate and house. I wouldn't want to be in the house now. Incredible top heavy, they cant vote how they want to vote. In senate, no one tells you how to vote. Tourist development tax.... It was diluted in the process. But three years ago we did a little picking at TDT, and I said then it was the beginning, and it was. We see little picking from it and trying to take. It was created for a reason.... But that pot of money always tempting for legislators or local government to want access to the money. Tourism very very important.... Post 9/11 when pres bush invested in promoting tourism... it worked.
- 7) opposition. What will she say about you. She is working I have not met her.... Tag me as regular politician. "she is propped up by corporate and ideological pacs". Newspaper called me. Asked why I didn't raise money in first quarter? (seriously?!) so taking corporate or pac money is easy thing to use against incumbent. I have won every election I've ever done.... I have no intention of loosing this seat. My constituents know and know I work for them. I have limited time I can help people... I'm in the businesses of constituent services. These people just need help. Even if just pointing them in good direction. I love seeing boy scouts, veterans chambers, constituents. I believe in what we do. People might think its hokey, but I do. I don't like driving I10 and but I feel like I make a difference and thats what I want to continue.