



HOUSE DISTRICT 58A

In your district, where do the candidates stand on important issues?

Your Candidates



Gary Bruggenthies (R)



Kristi Pursell (D)

ISSUE 1: COST OF LIVING

Do the candidates have a record of addressing the cost of living?

Gary Bruggenthies (R)

NO

Bruggenthies wants to make it harder to crack down on price gougers, even with record inflation.

Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; State Of Minnesota, Emergency Executive Order, 20-10, 3/20/20

Kristi Pursell (D)

YES

Pursell supports raising the minimum wage and says she will never vote to raise taxes on middle-class families.

Source: <https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities>

ISSUE 2: WOMEN'S HEALTH

Do the candidates support access to women's healthcare?

Gary Bruggenthies (R)

NO

Bruggenthies is committed to restricting abortion in Minnesota, including proposals that could make it harder for victims of rape or incest to access reproductive healthcare.

Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; MCCL Primary Election Voter's Guide, June-August 2022

Kristi Pursell (D)

YES

Pursell describes herself as "a fierce protector of every Minnesotan's fundamental right to make their own personal decision about abortion."

Source: <https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities>

ISSUE 3: ELECTIONS

Do the candidates support our election system and voter rights?

Gary Bruggenthies (R)

NO

Bruggenthies supports repealing laws intended to make it easier to vote. He cast doubt on the outcomes of the 2020 election.

Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; Longview News-Journal, 5/20/22

Kristi Pursell (D)

YES

Pursell says she'll support legislation to make it easier for eligible voters to vote and that she'll work to ensure that local officials can conduct elections fairly, transparently, and without intimidation.

Source: <https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities>

Candidates' positions are often more complicated than "yes" or "no." We have done our best to represent each candidate in a fair and reasonable way within that framework, but encourage you to seek out additional detailed information on these and other issues.

We hope this information is useful as you make your choice in this important election!