

Kendrick on the Economy and Jobs



Kendrick is the only candidate who supports cutting taxes for the middle class and rolling back the Bush tax cuts for the wealthy and corporate special interests. He opposes a flat tax and a national sales tax that would result in higher taxes for the middle class and lower ones for wealthy people.

He has a history of standing up for the middle class, supporting an increase in the minimum wage, and protecting against high credit card fees and predatory banking and lending practices.

Kendrick believes we must continue boosting small business loans, closing loopholes for companies that ship jobs overseas, and providing targeted tax incentives for high-growth industries such as tourism and agriculture.

Economy

Florida families are clearly struggling and still trying to recover from the greatest financial crisis since the Great Depression.

That is why Kendrick supported the Recovery Act of 2009. More than \$16 billion in Recovery Act funding is being directed to schools, unemployment benefits and health care for the needy in Florida. Transportation and infrastructure projects are also getting a boost, putting Floridians to work on roads, bridges, mass transit and water projects. The Recovery Act has boosted employment by 169,000 jobs in Florida, and has provided tax cuts for 95 percent of working Americans.

But much more must be done, and Kendrick continues to be a stalwart supporter of job creation legislation. He has introduced several jobs bills, including a research and development tax credit and legislation to increase development in transportation construction and alternative energy production.

Kendrick has also supported numerous jobs measures to boost the economy through emergency aid for the unemployed, tax credits for struggling businesses and first-time homebuyers, investments in infrastructure and construction, lending for small businesses, and aid to help disaster-stricken communities rebuild their homes.